



Kawaiahao Church

Tradition of Ali'i Sunday's at Kawaiahao Church

Ali'i Sundays are among the many long and honored traditions of Kawaiahao Church which began in 1917. In the 1970's our people were embarking on a tidal wave of change. In the midst of circumstance and sensing the urgency to unite Hawai'i's people and rekindle their strength and purpose in Ke Akua [God], the Reverend Dr. Abraham Akaka rejuvenated these services as part of the larger cultural awakening already taking place. He reminded us of the importance "to unite as the people of Hawai'i and to recognize the leadership our Ali'i gave us as Christians."

We celebrate eleven Ali'i Sundays which are held as part of a larger series of celebrations recognized by the Benevolent Royal Societies, Ali'i Trusts and the Hawaiian Civic Clubs of which always occurs on Sundays or the Sunday just before the birthday of the Ali'i. Join us as we celebrate our Ali'i and the many blessings from Ke Akua.

2026 Ali'i Sunday Schedule

Worship Services Begins at 9:30 AM

January 25, 2026	King William Charles Lunalilo <i>January 31, 1835</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Lunalilo Trust</i>
February 8, 2026	Kamehameha 'Ehā (IV) <i>February 9, 1834</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Royal Order of King Kamehameha, I</i>
March 15, 2026	Queen Ka'ahumanu <i>March 17, 1768</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Ahahui Ka'ahumanu</i>
March 22, 2026	Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole <i>March 26, 1871</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club/Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu</i>
June 7, 2026	Kamehameha 'Ekahi (I) <i>June 11, 1737-58, Circa</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Royal Order of King Kamehameha, I</i>
August 9, 2026	Kamehameha 'Ekolu (III) <i>August 11, 1813</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Royal Order of King Kamehameha, I</i>
August 30, 2026	Queen Lili'uokalani <i>September 2, 1838</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Queen Lili'uokalani Children Center & Trust</i>
October 11, 2026	Princess Victoria Ka'iulani <i>October 16, 1875</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Ahahui Ka'iulani</i>
November 8, 2026	Kamehameha 'Elua (II) <i>November, 1797</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Royal Order of King Kamehameha, I</i>
November 15, 2026	King Kalākaua <i>November 16, 1836</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Hale O Nā Ali'i O Hawai'i</i>
December 6, 2026	Kamehameha 'Elima (V) <i>December 11, 1830</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Royal Order of King Kamehameha, I</i>
December 13, 2026	Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop <i>December 19, 1831</i> <i>Kuleana 'O Kamehameha Alumni Association</i>