



## Aloha Akua

Buffalo Chicken Wing flavored Oreo cookies. Wasabi flavored Oreo Cookies. Is your mouth salivating yet?

It might be - or you might think I'm joking. It's not April Fools' - and these are actual flavors (being test marketed in Asia and making their way here in time for Super Bowl Sunday). I brought a few packages back from Shanghai because they are a great lesson for the church.

I'm not a big chocolate person - but I do like Oreos. The thought of Buffalo chicken wing or wasabi flavored Oreos did not excite me - and I need to tell you while the wasabi isn't bad - the chicken wing taste stays with you almost as long as the onion flavor from a Subway sandwich! But when I saw them, I just had to try them. Why? I'm not sure - I just did.

So why did they create such a flavor? Either Oreos did extensive research and discovered a huge unserved group of people or they

are just a novelty. We'll have to wait to find out if the flavors are still around in a few years - or if they have given way to new delicacies like: catfish flavor or horseradish flavor.

Either way, I applaud Oreos. They are willing to try something and not be afraid of failing because they also know they just might succeed.

We (the church) don't have the millions or billions that Oreos has - so we can't take the same level of risk - but that shouldn't keep us from stepping out of our comfort zone and taking a chance once in a while. Sometimes it's not the actual item or event we take a chance on that matters - but the conversations that take place around whatever we tried.

Did you know in a recent poll by Pew Research - 67% of people said they would say yes if they were invited to church on Easter or Christmas by someone they knew. The number who would agree to try a Buffalo chicken wing Oreo is probably a lot less!

*Me Ke Aloha,  
Pastor Mitch*

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### OUR SAVIOR'S WEEK...

#### Week of October 14th

- Sunday 9:37am LWML mini-bakesale
- 1:30pm Chuuk Language Service
- 4:30pm Oktoberfest @ GB  
NO Sr Hi Youth Group
- Tuesday 6:30pm Voters' Meeting
- Wednesday 9:30am Bible Class @ the MC
- Thursday 6:05pm Confirmation Class
- Saturday 2:00pm Worship Team Practice


#### Week of October 21st

- Sunday 1:30pm Chuuk Language Service
- 4:00pm ORLC Installation
- 6:00pm Sr Hi Youth Group
- Tuesday 6:00pm Jr Hi Truth Tuesday
- Wednesday 9:30am Bible Class @ the MC
- Saturday 2:00pm Worship Team Practice



**FALL FESTIVAL**, Sunday, October 28th, 4:30-7pm at Our Savior. A bouncy house, balloon animals, games and lots of brats, hot

dogs and root beer (and it's free)! Invite your neighbors. This is not just for kids - it's for adults too. If you are willing to help staff a game booth or bring a side dish, let Pastor or DCE Kayla know!

  
**9:37 - 10:22am**  
 L.I.F.E. Classes for adults and Sr Hi in the sanctuary. We're currently studying the **Book of Exodus**.  
**FaithIsland Sunday School**  
 PS - 8th Grade  
 in the FaithIsland Room

### ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING...

Tuesday, October 16th, 6:30pm. Election of Officers and the 2019 Budget are on the agenda. We will also receive an update on the search for a school principal. All active members 18 and older are encouraged to attend.

**INSTALLATION OF...** Christian Rasmussen as Pastor of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Honolulu on Sunday, October 21st, @ 4pm. Everyone is invited to the service and refreshments that follow. Our Redeemer is located at 1404 University Ave., across from UH Manoa.

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**SR HI CAR WASH...** Saturday, November 17th, 9am - 1:30pm. Sr Hi is raising funds for their trip to the LCMS Gathering.