Spiritual Care Volunteer Training

The six weeks training prepares people for spiritual/pastoral care visitation and care-giving in their own congregations or temples or as spiritual care volunteer in selected health care facilities.* The training program encourages all persons who are interested in developing a lay ministry. The classes will take place on Wednesdays from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

**Dates & Topics**

- **April 6, 2016:** Introduction to & Overview of Spiritual Care. Identifying Spiritual Distress
- **April 13, 2016:** The Art of Listening: Listening & Communication & Caring Skills
- **April 20, 2016:** Spiritual Needs around mental health/ in crisis & illness / older adults
- **April 27, 2016:** Spiritual Needs of the Dying & Bereaved
- **May 4, 2016:** Maintaining Healthy Boundaries: What Spiritual Care Volunteers need to know
- **May 11, 2016:** Summary. Getting ready for the visit. The Ministry of Spiritual Care Volunteers

People living with loss, struggling with illness or injury, or those who find themselves isolated are growing in our community every day. When people find themselves in these circumstances, they need others who will be present, listen and offer spiritual care. Institutions and agencies cannot meet the growing community needs. Congregations have always been centers for healing and support. Preparing members to meet the growing community challenges is vital in meeting these needs.

**Windward Location:**
St. John Lutheran Church, Grace Hall
1004 Kailua Road, HI 96734

Six Wednesdays from April 6 – May 11; 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Faculty: Pacific Health Ministry Chaplains & Educators

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Register by April 3, 2016

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