



NCC News

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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church

Guest Preacher

We welcome back to NCC the **Rev. Jessica Knutzen-Gibo** while Pastor Mary is at Family Camp. The Rev. Knutzen-Gibo is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) who serves as a chaplain at the State Hospital in Kaneohe. Welcome!

Christmas In July - July 13



Are you too excited for Christmas? Can't wait another 6 months? Well, you're in luck! Next Sunday, **July 13th**, we will be having our annual Christmas in July. Come Join us at Nu'uanu Congregational Church for some Christmas worship, and of course, SNOW after the service!!! This will be an extremely fun event that you will not want to miss, so bring your snow clothes and come join us for a little Christmas in July!

That morning, we will also be collecting the United Church of Christ Christmas Fund, one of five UCC special mission offerings. This offering goes to the Pension Board for it's Ministerial Assistance program to provide assistance to retired pastors. Let us contribute generously to assist the faithful servants of God. Checks may be written to Nu'uanu Congregational Church with "Christmas in July" in the memo. An envelope has been included for your convenience.

Hui Hoaloha July Event

The Hui Hoaloha fellowship group will meet on Thursday, **July 17**, at 9:30 a.m. in Kosasa Hall. The topic will be "Care of Your Hair." **Joanie Rossiter**, the Director of Paul Mitchell the School Honolulu, and her team will speak and present demonstrations. Come and join us for an informational and enjoyable meeting and lunch. July planners are: Dot Hosoda, Ginny and Fred Takara, and Ethel Yamaguchi.

Office Help Needed

Paula Yamamoto will, once again, be cooking for the Lana'i Mission trip, so if you are able to help out in the church office, please see her. Help is needed **July 21-25**, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. and 12-4 p.m. Mahalo!

Refreshments for August 31

The Chancel Choir is asking for help with refreshments on the last Sunday in August. If you are not on a board or group that is already assigned a month and are able to provide refreshments (including set up/clean up), please see **Russell Ishida**. About four people are needed.

Access Statement

As stated in our Vision Statement, “Nu‘uanu Congregational Church is a diverse, open congregation of faithful Christians who seek to affirm all persons as children of God.” Furthermore, our Policy on Non-discrimination clearly states that “we do not discriminate against any person, group or organization in hiring, promotion, membership, appointment, use of facility, provision of services on the basis of race, ethnicity, skin color, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, faith, nationality, marital status, or disability.”

As a part of living out our vision and commitment to an inclusive and diverse community, following accommodations are in place for worship:

- To provide communication access to worship, large print worship bulletins and other alternate format of orders of worship are available.
- Assistive listening devices are available from the ushers.
- In addition to Japanese Bibles, resource pages in Japanese are available with today’s scripture and Japanese lyric to today’s hymns whenever possible.
- Those wishing to have Japanese interpretation are asked to give their request to the Church Office at least one-week in advance so that they might be accommodated.
- Members needing transportation to worship are invited to contact Ohana Ministry for access to taxi service.
- Those traveling by Handivan are requested to let the Church Office know at least 2 days in advance so that members of the Diaconate might meet the van on Sunday mornings.

Due to the age and construction of the buildings, not all areas are easily accessible to persons with mobility issues. Nu‘uanu Congregational Church will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities within these limitations.

For requesting other accommodations, please contact the Church Office.