



NCC News

November 9, 2014



A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church

Welcome

We welcome to the pulpit **The Rev. Don Asman**. Pastor Don served as Temporary Associate Pastor at NCC back in 2006. He also served at several UCC churches prior to his retirement.

Fall Clean Up

The Board of Trustees would like to thank everyone for their help with the church clean up! Many hands made for light work. The church looks nice and ready for the Advent season.



Chutney, Jam and Biscotti Sale – Today



The holidays are right around the corner, so come and stock up on **Don and June Ikeda's** fabulous chutney and jams. They will also have on sale a new item.....chocolate almond biscotti and cranberry walnut biscotti! Sounds delectable! All proceeds will go toward the College Summer Intern Program. Thank you, Don and June, for your generous support of our leadership development ministry for young adults!

Intergenerational Family Game Night - Next Sunday

Join us for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship! Need I say more?! We will be having another one of our game nights at 15 Craigsid e Place on Sunday, **November 16** from 4:30-7:30 p.m. All ages are welcome, and friends, too! Bring your favorite games to play with others and a dessert or appetizer to share. Light dinner will be provided. Please sign up after worship service on the lanai or let Lori Yamashiro, Alex, or Kristen know by **November 9th** if you will be coming. Hope to see you there!



-Kristen Young

Sukkah – November 23

A sukkah will be set up in the sanctuary on **November 23** as a way to remember God's faithfulness in all seasons of our lives. Please bring non-perishable goods (canned food, rice, beans, etc.) to place in the sukkah. The goods will be donated to the River of Life Mission.

Nu‘uanu Valley Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - Nov. 25



Let us worship and fellowship at the Nu‘uanu Valley 53rd Interfaith Thanksgiving Service 2014 on Tuesday, **November 25**, 7:00 p.m., Temple Emanu-El, 2550 Pali Highway. This year’s theme is “Feeding the Hope.” Come, participate with our faith communities and support our NCC youth who will be participating in worship.

As all churches have been asked to bring refreshment, we kindly ask if you could share a dish for fellowship following the service. In keeping with Jewish dietary laws, we respectfully ask that no dishes with pork, shellfish or beef be brought. Park at Temple Emanu-El, NCC, or First Unitarian Church. For more information, you may visit: www.facebook.com/nuuanuinterfaith. Let us join our hearts filling us with joy and thanksgiving. Linda Kim on behalf of NCC Diaconate.

Greening the Church

We will begin preparing the sanctuary for Advent on Friday, **November 28** at 9:00 a.m. Lots of help is needed to prepare the wreaths, set up the banners, cut and set up the Christmas tree. If you are able to help, please inform Marge Honjiyo or Sets Takahashi. Bring your pruning shears, if you have one.



Kicking off the Advent season is the “*Hanging of the Greens*” worship service at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, **November 30**. Come and worship with us as we prepare our hearts to receive the gift of the living Christ.

Advent Wreath-Making - November 30

Advent will be here before we know it! Save Sunday, **November 30th** for making an Advent wreath in Kosasa Hall at 10:15 a.m. Board of Christian Nurture



Nichigobu Christmas Luncheon - December 4



A Christmas buffet lunch at The Willows on Hausten Street at 11 a.m. Thursday, **December 4**, 2014 is planned by the Nichigobu Congregation. \$21.55 plus tax and tip. The buffet lunch is open to members and friends of Nu‘uanu Congregational Church. For reservations contact Dorothy Kusumoto, 230-7031 or June Nishimura, 888-2411.

Hui Hoaloha Christmas Luncheon - December 11



Sign up today for the Christmas luncheon on Thursday, **December 11** at 15 Craigsid solarium at 11:00 a.m. We need to share rides from NCC to Craigsid. Thank you for sharing! December planners are: Alice and Howard Ishihara, Alice Kimoto, Dorothy Nakagawa, and Mary Oshiro.

Give Aloha Update

Mahalo for supporting the 2014 Give Aloha program! Your generous contributions totaled \$13,902.00, and we received from Foodland and Western Union Foundation a combined donation of \$2,738.08. We are grateful to these two organizations for their generosity in giving back to the community. Please don't forget to turn in your duplicate receipt! We are missing the following receipts:

9/02/14	14:07	School St. Foodland	\$249
9/03/14	18:16	School St. Foodland	\$ 25
9/05/14	09:31	Beretania Foodland	\$249
9/29/14	21:14	School St. Foodland	\$249
9/30/14	19:00	Kaahumanu Foodland	\$100
9/30/14	22:08	School St. Foodland	\$249



Ulu Wai Vermicomposting Talk

The holidays will here before we know it! A great family gift for any "green thumber" is a Wormcylcer from our Ulu Wai Ministry Program! For \$60 a family can give back to the earth by doing vermicomposting. Come to the Vermicomposting talk on Tuesday, **November 11, 2014** at 9:00 a.m. and see how it works. Your "green" relatives and friends will thank you for introducing them to this great pastime. Email or call Velma (595-3135) after 7 p.m. by this Sunday, November 9th for reservations and/or purchase.

Ulu Wai Ministry

Personnel on Vacation

Groundskeeper, **Le Huynh**, will be on vacation November 1 through November 21. During this period, he will continue to do the daily security checks.

Access Statement

(Revised 8/2/14 by the Diaconate Board)

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, assistive listening devices, Japanese Bibles and Japanese hymnals are available from the ushers.
- 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.