



NCC News

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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church

Happy New Year

Lectionary Bible Study on Wednesdays

Pastor MacPherson is offering a Lectionary Bible Study on Wednesday evenings. Come and take an in-depth look at the scriptures for the following Sunday and the context in which it was written and how it applies to us today. A light supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. on the lanai, and the study will follow from 6-7:00 p.m. in the choir room. Sign up with Carol Hamada.



Rush Week for Young Adults

(As in, this week will be a *rush*.) Welcome home to all the college students who came back for the holidays! The Youth Ministry Interns (Alex & Kristen) have planned several events this winter break for the young adults of NCC to enjoy our island home, spend some time together, and get to know one another a little better. We have events throughout the first full week of January and ideally, we'd love if you came to all of them, but we hope that you will join us for at least ONE of the events.

- Sunday 1/4** – Intern Luncheon – 2015 College Summer Internship
- Monday 1/5** – Hike & Beach
- Tuesday 1/6** – Dinner & Movie
- Wednesday 1/7** – Another Hike & Another Beach
- Thursday 1/8** – Karaoke Night

More information has been sent out to our young adults. Feel free to contact Alex Montiel/Kristen Young if you have any questions! We hope to see you over break!

Youth Group

On Sunday, **today**, we will be starting up youth-group gatherings for sixth through twelfth graders on Sunday afternoons from 3:00-5:00 p.m. We will have snacks, games, and a short lesson. We have a gathering planned for every Sunday in January (January 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th). Hope to see you there!

—Alex Montiel & Kristen Young

2015 Flower Chart

Honor a loved one or celebrate a special occasion by offering flowers to grace our sanctuary on a Sunday! Sign up on the flower chart after worship service on the lanai.

2014 Contributions



Just a reminder....in order for contributions to be credited for the 2014 tax year, they must be either mailed to the church with a USPS postmark not later than December 31, 2014 or received by the church office before 12:00 p.m., December 31, 2014.

Contributions received after that will be credited to 2015.

Office Help Needed

Paula and Paul Yamamoto will be on vacation **February 16-25, 2015**. If you are able to help out in the office, please sign up for a shift: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 12:00-4:00 p.m. Mahalo to those who have already signed up!

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.