



NCC News

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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Baptism and Membership Gathering

And now why tarry you? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of The Lord. Acts 22:16

If you feel God is calling you to be baptized, or if you are already baptized and are interested in becoming part of the membership here at Nu'uanu Congregational Church, please join us for a gathering at 10:30 a.m. **next Sunday, May 17, 2015** in room 206. Pastor Mary will provide information on how you can begin your journey. Questions? See **Lori Yamashiro or Lori Takeyama-Goshi**.

Family Beach Day - Next Sunday, May 17

Hey, NCC youth and families! This school year is quickly coming to an end, and summer will be here before we know it! But before then, we are having a family beach day on **Sunday, May 17**, at Kailua Beach from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Feel free to bring snacks and drinks, and be sure to bring sunblock, a good attitude and be ready for tons of fun! If you have any questions, feel free to ask **Kristen or Alex**.



—Alex Montiel

Strengthen the Church

Each day, visions and dreams are created in the hearts of many in the United Church of Christ. Through the Strengthen the Church special UCC offering, they can become a reality. As God calls our congregations to be “church” in new ways, your gift will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches, and develop spiritual life in our youth and young adults. Because of this offering, many more will hear the good news that “God is still speaking.” Your offerings are directed to your church’s Conference, Local Church Ministries, and The Stillspeaking Ministry for these purposes. The Strengthen the Church offering will be collected on Pentecost, **May 24**.

Offering Envelopes

Please help the Sunday counters by using your offering envelopes and writing your pledge number on your checks. Mahalo.

Needed

The Summer Program is looking for a pseudo (fake) pearl, 1/2"-3/4" in diameter. If anyone has one, please see Velma Akinaka. Mahalo.

Nichigobu Support Group Meeting

The Nichigobu Support Group will be meeting today in the old Library after the 9:00 a.m. worship service. If you have any questions, please see **Muneo Hamada**.

Family Promise - May 17-24

We will be hosting Family Promise the week of **May 17-24**. If you are able to help out as an overnight host, please see **George Honjiyo or Judy Keith**.

PowerPoint Operators Needed

The Diaconate is looking to expand its pool of Sunday PowerPoint operators. If you are interested in serving God in this capacity, see **Lori Takeyama-Goshi or Mabel Suzuki**.

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.