



# *NCC News*

## **June 21, 2015**



*A Weekly Newsletter of Nu‘uanu Congregational Church*

### **Wednesday at the Movies - June 24**

*Snow Falling on Cedars* is based on an award winning novel by David Guterson. It’s a 5-star, PG13 movie based in Washington state about a Japanese man accused of murder. During the course of the trial, there’s a flash back about the Japanese being evicted from their homes. The movie will be shown in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., followed by refreshments on the lanai. All are welcomed. Join us for a time of relaxation and fellowship. E komo mai! —Joyce Uyehara

### **“I have a question...”**

During Easter-tide, you were given the opportunities to ask questions to me. I thank you for those questions. I will seek to give my best responses to those questions on Sunday, **June 28**. Stay tuned! —Pastor Mary

### **Family Beach Day - June 28**

Next week Sunday, **June 28**, the youth group and their families are invited to join us for a beach day. We will be going to Kailua Beach Park next to the canoe storage shed. It will be a fun day for the youth to use their energy and for the adults to relax and converse on the sand (under a tree). We will have a few vans, so we will be able to fit those people who need a ride. Hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, condiments, and water will be provided, but if you would like other food, like chips or drinks, you are welcome to bring them. We will have a grill, so if your food item requires grilling, we will be able to cook it. Please bring your signed permission form, lots of sunscreen, a beach towel, swimming clothes, games, and a cheerful attitude, and we will have lots of fun! Please contact **Thomas** at (808) 469-5749 or at [thetommyg808@gmail.com](mailto:thetommyg808@gmail.com) for more information. Thank you. —Thomas Gomes



### **Forum on Hospice Care**

On Sunday, **August 16**, the **Reverend Dr. JP Sabbithi** will present an adult forum on Hospice Care. Rev. Sabbithi is Director of Patient and Family Support Services at Hospice Hawaii. Previously, he served as a chaplain for nine years at Kaiser Permanente’s Moanalua campus. Please come and join us in the sanctuary after refreshments.

## **Faith-Full Feast - May 31-July 5, 10:30-12:30**

The entire congregation is invited to partake in the enrichment activities designed to deepen our relationship with God and with each other. **Keiki** (ages 4-12) will gather in the sanctuary for “Godly Play,” **Youth** (grades 6-12) will gather in the Youth Lounge (room 203) with the College Summer Interns and engage in Old Testament biblical stories, and **Adults** (no age limit!) will gather in Kosasa Hall (note the room change) with the Rev. Dwight Morita for a time of “Experiencing the Bible Again for the First Time.”

Following the learning time, all will gather in Kosasa Hall at 11:30 for a “feast” (lunch) and closing time together. Chancel Choir members are invited to join in the feast after their faith-full choir rehearsal. We invite you to a time of feasting, as we are all called to be faith-full people of God!

## **Needed Items for Sunday School**

The Sunday School is looking at a new program and are preparing for the Fall. If you have any of the following items and would like to donate them to the Sunday School, please let **Velma Akinaka** know by **July 5, 2015**. Mahalo for your support. We seek the following donated items:

- 1 a sturdy wooden 4”-6” free standing creche figure set with a removable Baby Jesus with open arms
- 2 a sturdy figure of the Risen Christ with open arms
- 3 A sturdy wooden set of free standing sheep with shepherd 4” x 6”
- 4 trays with a “lips” on the edges– at least 9” x 12”
- 5 blue, purple, brown, tan, red, green, white felt pieces ... at least 9”x12”... the larger the better
- 6 a metal container : ~ 3” x 5”x 2”
- 7 a new or gently used white Christ Candle.

## **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.