



NCC News

March 29, 2020



A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uaniu Congregational Church



Church Office Closed Until April 30

Due to the risk of the rapid spread of the virus causing Covid-19, a “Stay at Home/Work from Home Order” is in effect until April 30 by Governor Ige. The church office will be closed during the duration of the order. If there is any business that needs to be conducted, please email it to nccadmin@hawaiiantel.net. The mail will be checked periodically, so you may still mail in your pledges and offerings.

NCC Plan in Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic

Adopted by the Council on March 17, 2020

1. Sunday services at NCC are temporarily suspended effective March 22, 2020.
2. An ad hoc team will explore ways to have an online “virtual” church service. In the meantime, homilies will be posted on the Church’s website (www.nuuanu.org).
3. Special services such as wedding, and memorials will be handled on a case-by-case basis and will be decided in collaboration with the family, church staff, and the Executive Committee.
4. Regular users of church facilities (e.g., Kosasa Hall, Choir Room, Library, etc.) will be suspended until further notice. This includes Boards, Committees and special interest groups (Sew Fun, Hui Malama, etc.).
5. The church office will be operational, but will not be open to the public.
6. Pastor Jeannie will continue to provide pastoral care upon request. She may be reached at 353-1387.

7. Members are asked to leave a message with the church office (595-3935) if a need arises.

8. In an effort to maintain contact with our church members, the Diaconate will be contacting members from time to time.

9. Updates, news and other information will be sent via email with hard copies sent to those without email addresses. If you have an email address and are not yet receiving NCC's weekly e-News, please be sure to email Paula at nccadmin@hawaiiintel.net

10. You may mail your pledges/offerings to the Church at 2651 Pali Highway, Honolulu, HI 96817 or contact your bank to set up a direct deposit through the automatic bill payer feature available through many financial institutions. Please see your financial institution to see if this option is available to you. NCC appreciates your continued commitment to continuing our ministry at NCC.

Prayer Request

Please pray for **Taylor Young**, son of our former Associate Pastor, KarenFay Ramos-Young. Taylor is 26 years old and is a flight attendant. Evidently, one of the passengers had COVID-19, and Taylor caught it. He is in ICU in Los Angeles. Please keep the Ramos-Young ohana in your prayers.

If you have a prayer request and would like it to be added to the e-News, send your request to nccadmin@hawaiiintel.net.

“Twenty Prayers to Pray During This Pandemic”

In a time of uncertainty, like this Covid-19 pandemic, an array of emotions arise in many of us, i.e., fear, anxiousness, anger, helplessness, etc. Prayer is a way to help deal with these feelings. Check out this article from *Christianity Today*. Here's the link to the article -

<https://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2020/march-web-only/covid-19-coronavirus-20-prayers-to-pray-during-pandemic.html> -Judy Keith

Connecting on Facebook

If you are looking for an informal way to keep in touch with your church ohana and are on Facebook, think about communicating that way. We have had a Facebook page for many years, but the last post was way back in April of 2017. Search for "Nuuanu Congregational Church" and like that page. For sure we will all be missing communicating with each other; this can help.

--Judy Keith

Postponed Events and Activities



Due to the fluid Coronavirus community transmission situation on Oahu, the Missions Committee announced that Green Day 2020 will be postponed until this communicable respiratory disease is under control.

For those of you that purchased Green Day's Dri Carwash tickets, please DO not through them away. The Missions Committee will announce when Green Day will be held, and we will honor your tickets.

These are unusual times; please stay home, wash your hands, and keep your social distance to at least six feet. Be safe, stay healthy, and look forward to another Green Day date!

The All-Church Clean Up has also been postponed until further notice.



William and Jean Wood 2020 Scholarship Applications – Deadline Date Changed to May 31, 2020

Undergraduate applications for the 2020 William and Jean Wood Scholarship are being accepted for those who will be attending a university, college, and/or institution of higher learning. Applicants must be a member, a relative, or friend of a member of Nu‘uanu Congregational Church. Applications may be obtained from the Nu‘uanu Congregational Church web site (www.nuuanu.org) or office.

***Note:** All applications and supporting documents (references, official transcripts, etc.) must be received together in **one packet by Sun., May 31, 2020 (postmarked) or (hand delivered to church office by 4 p.m. on May 29)** as specified in the instructions. **Incomplete application packets received will not be considered.**

Hand Sanitizer Recipe

Having a hard time finding hand sanitizer on the shelf? Try this recipe to make some at home. This will make one cup and can be doubled or tripled. Combine 2/3 cup rubbing alcohol (changed to 90% or more), 1/3 cup aloe (find it in the sun screen aisle), and if fragrance is desired, 6-8 drops of an essential oil of your choice (find at places like Whole Foods). Put into a pump or squeeze bottle & use frequently. I found that using a wire whisk did the best job of mixing the ingredients. It felt very thin the first night, but the next day it felt thicker and remained emulsified. It was not drying on the skin. --Judy Keith

Altar Flower Chart

Want to celebrate a special occasion or honor a loved one? Why not do it with a floral arrangement for the sanctuary. Sign up on the flower chart or call the church office. The following dates are open:

May 3, 17, 31, June 14 July 12, 19, October 4, November 15, December 13.