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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uaniu Congregational Church



Meet Our New Organist

Katherine Crosier (“Kathy”) grew up in Burbank, CA, the eldest of five children of Kitman and Dorothy Au. Her first lessons were on the piano with her mother at age 4. At age 13, when she threatened to quit taking piano lessons, her mother suggested she try another instrument, and Kathy chose the pipe organ. A few days after high school graduation, she spent a summer in Paris where she studied with the French virtuoso, Marcel Dupré. Kathy returned home to major in Organ Performance at the University of Southern California and obtained a Master’s degree at Westminster Choir College, Princeton, NJ.

For the last 47 years Kathy has been active as a church musician, teacher and recitalist in Honolulu. She was the organist at the Lutheran Church of Honolulu for 35 years, a position she shared with her late husband, Carl Crosier, where the two built a nationally-recognized music program. Kathy is looking forward to meeting new friends at Nuuanu Congregational Church. Welcome, Kathy!

Christmas in July - UCC Christmas Fund Offering

Thank you for supporting the Christmas Fund, formally known as the “Veterans of the Cross Fund.” We are grateful for your donation for the growing number of retirees struggling to meet the increase costs of living. At this time of year each donor can show the Christmas spirit early and be a part of this ministry. We will be receiving the offering this morning. Checks may be written to Nu'uaniu Congregational Church with Christmas Fund on the memo line.

-Missions Committee

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? Call the church office to sign up. The following dates are open: October 4, November 15, December 13.

Shingrix (Shingles) Shot

If you received the first dose of the Shingrix vaccine last winter here at church, it is time to make arrangements for your second dose, which should ideally be administered before August 9th. The guidance from the CDC and the immunization Action Coalition is to "make every effort to ensure that the two doses are administered" within six months. Due to ongoing uncertainties related to Covid 19, we will not be offering a clinic at NCC for the second dose. Tina Liu, the Long's pharmacist who helped us previously, can administer the vaccine at the Long's Ward store. You can also try one of the Minute Clinics at various Long's, however, Tina recommends calling ahead to ensure that they do have the vaccine in stock. It is available at the Ward location (corner of Ward and Halekauwila).

On a side note, all Long's stores are offering 1-2 day delivery via USPS mail, if you need your medications delivered and would prefer to stay home. This can be arranged via their app, online, or by phone.

Graduate Sunday

Save the date: August 9, 2020

Nuʻuanu Congregational Church would like to acknowledge the graduates. Please email the names of students that graduated this year to: Becky at hiken214@gmail.com.

Stephanie Chung	Roosevelt High School
Layne Fujioka	University of Hawaii, Manoa

Hui Malama

Hui Malama will not be meeting as a group for the rest of the year. Individuals or small groups (2-3) will go on their own to do work that they normally do, like weeding, recycling, etc. or special jobs like power washing the sidewalks and other things that the office would like to have done. Lunch will not be provided. [Editor's note: We want to thank Wayne Kobayashi, Fred and Ginny Takara, Mel and Joyce Uyehara, Micki Sasaki, Ruth Gushiken, Claire Nakatsuka, Stan Chong, Russell Ishida, and all the wonderful lunch providers for your faithful ministry to the church! If I inadvertently missed anyone, my apology!]

Family Promise

Although we have not hosted Family Promise since before the shut down in March, Family Promise continues to serve homeless families in our community. In fact, requests for services have increased by 400% since Covid has put an end to the traditional model of hosting. Although we cannot shelter families at this time, there are other ways that we can support Family Promise. Their wish list includes cleaning supplies

(especially disinfectant wipes, paper towels, and toilet paper), laundry soap, and gift cards (Longs/Walmart/Target/Ross/gas stations and grocery stores). Call Marissa at 466-4248 before dropping off donations at the Kukui Street center. Monetary donations are always appreciated and can be mailed to Family Promise, 245 North Kukui Street, Honolulu, HI 96817. Thank you for your support of this very important organization.

--Judy Keith

Board of Christian Nurture - Fall Activities

Aloha Nu‘uanu Ohana. Below is a Survey Monkey link. The survey lists the activities that the Board of Christian Nurture would like to offer in the Fall. Interested in a virtual Bible Study to the Holy Lands? This will be starting in October. Interested in virtual guest speakers in September?

Interested in a prayer group? Please respond to this survey. Go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HNJQTSX>.



Thank you for your participation.

--Becky Kanenaka

Face Masks

(Full article in the August Caller – soon to be out!)

Everyone on Sunday morning was wearing a mask and no one was using it as a necklace, so a pat on our collective backs for using masks appropriately! But there is more to mask wearing than that, so let's go over some more detailed information.

Not all cloth masks are constructed in the same way. If your mask has pleats, put your mask on so the pleats face down on the outside of the mask (they will be up on the inside). If the outer pleats face up, it creates pockets that can collect viral particles. If the mask was assembled with the nose portion in a position where the pleats must face up, try to pull the pleats out a bit to minimize the pockets.

However your mask is constructed, make sure you always apply the same side of the mask towards your face when you are taking it off and putting it back on. This is important to keep any viral particles that may have accumulated on the outer part of your mask from getting on to your face.

Cloth masks should be washed frequently with soap or detergent, and either dried in your dryer on the hottest setting or hung out in direct sunlight for several hours. Thank you for doing your part to help us make worship at NCC as safe as possible by wearing your masks and practicing physical distancing.

--Judy Keith

Church Office

The church office has reopened. Keeping our staff safe is a high priority, so please adhere to this protocol. If there is any business that needs to be conducted, please email it to nccadmin@hawaiiintel.net or call the church office for an appointment. If you need to see Pastor Jeannie, she can be reached at 353-1387. Postal and commercial deliveries will be allowed.

Face covering is required by anyone entering the office. Before entering the office, please conduct the self-assessment that is posted on the window adjacent to the door. Also, not more than 2 people, excluding staff, should be in the office at a time. Please observe social/physical distancing. Thank you for your cooperation.

Applicants Wanted for NCC Administrative Coordinator Position

Paula Yamamoto, our long-time Administrative Coordinator, has (sadly!) announced her desire to retire. We all appreciate Paula's faithful service and wish her a happy upcoming retirement!

We are, consequently, seeking qualified applicants for the position. The position performs many essential functions, which include among others:

- (1) coordinates the church's and facility users' activities and keeps the church's master calendar,
- (2) supports the Pastor and Moderator with administrative duties, record-keeping, financial management, and communications,
- (3) takes and screens incoming calls and inquiries to the church, and receives and processes the incoming mail,
- (4) types the publication of church communications, including the worship bulletin, PowerPoint, newsletters, and e-news,
- (5) orders office and janitorial supplies, and assures the maintenance and upkeep of church equipment and computer network, and
- (6) updates the church's website and social media platforms.

Applicants should have a college degree or two to four years of equivalent related experience and/or training, and strong communication and interpersonal skills. Applicants must be able to keep information confidential, to work independently with little or minimal supervision, and to problem solve and work cooperatively with others. Also, applicants should demonstrate an ability to use both PC and Mac platforms and other software.

Interested applicants should send their resume to Nu'uano Congregational Church at nccadmin@hawaiiintel.net. No phone calls, please.

- Stanley Chong