



December 20, 2020
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

WELCOME BACK!

REMINDERS:

- Please wear your masks.
- Every other pew is being used to maintain social distancing. Only families of the same household can sit close to each other. Only two non-family members can sit on each pew (one on each end)
- No procession or recession by priest.
- No service booklet except for the priest, acolyte and/or appointed response person.
- The Offering collection plate will not be passed around during the service. It is in the back of church. Please try to place your offering there before the service or at the end if you missed it.
- Communion will be bread only. It will be given closer to the pews. Single file down the aisle and exit to the left or right to walk back to your seat.
- No contact during the peace (just turn and acknowledge each other with a bow, wave, etc.)
- No coffee hour after the service.
- If you are feeling sick or feverish, please stay home.

IMPORTANT: No singing or responses out loud. The congregation will prayerfully listen during the service and silently respond in their heads and hearts. One person will be appointed to say the people's responses for the congregation.

READINGS FOR TODAY:

The Collect

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

When the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."

But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he

will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.” Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

Prayers of the People - Form II

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world;
for our Bishop(s) Bishop Curry & Bishop Fitzpatrick; for this gathering; and for all
ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations;
and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the
oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper
knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those on our prayer list.

**For the healing and care of: Celine Niau Nelson, Jan Motoshige, Sumie Mizushima,
Steve Kai, Blaise Napu'unoa, Jonathan Lee, Mildred Ogai, Rei Hamano, Aki Shitagi,
David Lee, Lori Maunalanga, & Janine LeGrande.**

**For the birthdays of: Deb Nishihira, Edlyn Hayashida, Margaret Kitamura, and
Raelani Visser.**

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence



Weekly Announcements

Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, 1801 Tenth Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816
(808)735-5944, goodsamhawaii@yahoo.com

Good Samaritan is an open and inclusive community, all are welcome.

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Welcome to Good Samaritan Church!

We want to thank you for being with us today. Your presence is a gift to our community, and your prayers enhance our worship. We look forward to your return!

Please also hold the following people in your prayers

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

- Our Historiographer: Mr. Stuart Ching.
- Our Registrar: Ms. Rae Costa.
- Secretary of Convention: The Rev. Annalise Pasalo.
- The Standing Committee: The Rev. Dan Leatherman, President.
- The Diocesan Council.
- Commission on Ministry: Ms. Carrie-Anne Kokubun, Chair

Announcements (new)

Christmas Day Service - this Friday, December 25th at 9:30AM.



Veggie/Fruit bags final Monday delivery:

The program coordinator, Nicky, from the Farm to Family program with the Hawaii Agriculture Research Center will be delivering a few bags on Monday afternoon. This will be the last delivery made.

Kadomatsu Day is this Saturday, December 26th:

7:30am-9:45am: Bamboo cutting in Kaneohe private residence (for those going to cut bamboo, plan on getting possibly wet and muddy)

10:15am (approximate time): Cut and assemble kadomatsu in around the church pavilion

12pm - orders will start to be picked up. Lunch bentos and drinks available for volunteers.

Turn in pre-orders if you have them! Flyers are in the back of the church.

Announcements (repeat)

Communication with Jan Motoshige:

Per Jan's daughter, Joni, to connect with her Mom, please feel free to:

Call her cell phone at (808)349-6435 – She does not have a phone in her room. She does not answer her cell phone regularly and she does not check her voicemail, however, if she is near her phone, has the ringer on or is paying attention to her phone, there is a chance she might answer. They do **not** recommend sending her a text message. She doesn't check her text messages often because she does not remember that texting is possible, and she has forgotten what app to use to open the text messages.

Email her at moto1990@me.com and cc Joni joni@gigaisland.com – She may not respond to your email however, if Joni is cc'd, she can print out your email and include it in their next delivery to HPM.

Email her a video message and cc Joni – If Joni is cc'd, the next time she talks to her she can help her find the video in her inbox. You are welcome to email, text or call Joni anytime if you are having trouble getting in touch with her. Joni is keeping a list of folks for her to call that will be included in their deliveries to HPM.

Write her a letter or card and send it to Joni – All cards and letter addressed to her will be included in their deliveries to HPM. This also applies to kids (or adults) who want to send her handmade "get-well" drawings. We are told that she can tape pictures in her room and because she has no roommate, there is a lot of space available to fill with joyous pictures and cards. Here's Joni's address:

Janice Motoshige

c/o Joni Kohama

2165 Aha Niu Place

Honolulu, Hawaii 96821

Rock Wall Repair Needed:

The rock wall next to the church is in need of repair. Is there anyone that has done masonry work or have recommendations? We need to get it fixed before the problem gets worse.

Phishers and spoofers are moving from bogus emails to bogus text messages:

Bishop Bob will never send any communication (text, email, letter, fax, etc) requesting gift cards. Report these communications to the appropriate authorities and block the sender(s). A couple members of our Diocese recently received a BOGUS text message asking them to purchase gift cards for a cancer patient because he was in a meeting and couldn't do it. One of the phone numbers being used is (808) 401-2192. Most likely what is happening is someone is trolling websites looking for cell phone numbers. When they find one, they impersonate the "boss" by signing up for an email addresses using the "boss's" name (like REV. ROBERT FITZPATRICK or Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick) and then send text messages to the cell phone numbers that are on the "company's" website (for example, a church's contact us page or leadership page or any page that has cell phone numbers on it).

Two By Two Crafts - Looking for stocking stuffers or Christmas gifts? Gail and Ariel Lee have many other craft products available online. You can check out their website at <https://twobytwocrafts.com> if you're interested!

Piano Lessons: Anyone interested in learning to play the piano? See Ben for his business card, he'd love to receive referrals!

Feel free to take the readings and announcements home with you today.

It can also be viewed on our church website at:

<http://www.goodsamaritanhawaii.org/weekly-announcements.html>

Thank You to Our Worship Team!	
December 20, 2020	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Imelda Padasdao
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Betsy Hata
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Les Hata & Myrtle Kaneshiro

<i>Looking Ahead</i>	
<i>NEXT WEEK SUNDAY – DECEMBER 27, 2020</i>	
Supply Clergy:	Rev. Alex Geston
Music:	Ben Trusnovec
Altar Guild:	Myrtle Kaneshiro
Acolytes:	Gavin Nishihira
Lector:	Gavin Nishihira
Counters:	Chris Omuro & Pat Lum



New Year 2021 Kadomatsu

Saturday, December 26, 2020

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

(Order pickup starts at 12pm)

Good Samaritan Church

1801 10th Avenue

Members of Good Samaritan Church join in the Japanese tradition of *Kadomatsu* building - a traditional Japanese decoration made with bamboo.

Come and join us in learning how to make a *Kadomatsu*.

We will be making three sizes medium and large are for sale and smaller ones will be made to take to homebound church members and seniors.

We will also have *shimekazari* and *mizuhiki* (Japanese art of knotting, tying & braiding) decorations for sale.

Pick up is Saturday, December 26th from 12 noon at Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, 1801 10th Avenue.

If you plan on helping to build Kadomatsu, please let us know so we can put you in the count. Masks are required. Contact Information: Email: goodsamhawaii@yahoo.com
Phone: (808) 735-5944

_____ Medium (15 inches) <i>Kadomatsu</i> @ \$15.00 each	Sub-total \$ _____
_____ Large (21 inches) <i>Kadomatsu</i> @ \$25.00 each	Sub-total \$ _____
_____ Large <i>Shimekazari</i> door decoration @ \$15.00 each	Sub-total \$ _____
_____ Medium <i>Shimekazari</i> door decoration @ \$10.00 each	Sub-total \$ _____
_____ Small <i>Mizuhiki</i> @ \$5.00 each (various designs)	Sub-total \$ _____
_____ Total # of items	TOTAL \$ _____

Name: _____ Cash _____ Check # _____

Phone or cell number: _____ email: _____



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Name(s) _____

Address: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

(An email address is important as we can use it to notify everyone quickly and inexpensively.)

In thanksgiving for God's gifts of life, love and community, I/we commit my/our time, talent and treasure for God's work in Good Samaritan Church of the Diocese of Hawai'i.

I/WE WOULD LIKE TO PLEDGE (one of the following)

\$ _____ per week.

\$ _____ per month

\$ _____ per year.

Total pledge for the year 2021: \$ _____

I/we understand that as circumstances change and a change in the pledge is needed; I/we will inform the church Treasurer or rector, so adjustments may be made to my pledge.

Offering envelopes: YES NO

Signature: _____

Please help us with your Time and Talent and Donation by checking your areas of interest:

Bishop's Committee/Vestry <input type="checkbox"/>	Episcopal Church Women <input type="checkbox"/>	Refreshments <input type="checkbox"/>
Sunday School <input type="checkbox"/>	Lector <input type="checkbox"/>	Chalice Bearer <input type="checkbox"/>
Acolyte <input type="checkbox"/>	Bible Study <input type="checkbox"/>	Altar Guild <input type="checkbox"/>
Yard Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/>	Music <input type="checkbox"/>	Flowers <input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Activities <input type="checkbox"/>	Home visitor <input type="checkbox"/>	Write in <input type="checkbox"/>

If you check any of the above, someone will contact you to help you get involved.

We are updating our data base, and need more information. If you are willing, please fill in the following:

Birthdate (s) MO ___ DAY ___ YR ____ . Name _____

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Birthdate (s) MO ___ DAY ___ YR ____ . Name _____

Wedding Anniversary MO ___ DAY ___ YR ____ .

Thank you for your commitment to keep Good Samaritan Church and all our ministries going!

Please return this by mail, during the offering, or to any Bishop's Committee member by December 31, 2020 or as soon as possible if receiving this form during the 2021 year.