

October 2016

Good Samaritan Newsletter **HIKARI**

The Episcopal Presiding Bishop Michael Curry recently released a video entitled “Loving, Liberating and Life-giving”. In it he explains what it means being the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement. I quote him saying, "And that is the movement of Jesus, a community of people committed to living the way of Jesus, loving, liberating and life-giving and committed to going into the world to help this word become one that is loving, liberating, and life-giving Jesus once said, 'you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in Judea, in Samaria...' 42nd St and 3rd Ave...and that my friends can change the world."

Well, Good Samaritan church will be a witness in Palolo Valley. The Bishop's Committee approved \$50 in outreach funds to continue with the snacks program at the Palolo Recreation Center. This time it will be for basketball games played by a team of 7-9 year old children and later another team of 10 -12 year olds. These two teams are made up specifically of children that only live in the low-income housing area in the valley. Our neighbors. Can we continue with this program? When we first supported the recreation center during the summer, it was a welcome relief to those kids that didn't have a snack. A professional person told me that the Summer Fun Snack program cannot be just a “one-shot deal” and will soon be forgotten unless we remain a presence.

So this auntie from Good Samaritan Church, with her church shirt, will be there at the games. If any of you feel that this is worthwhile program to support, feel free to contribute to help with the purchase of snacks. It will be appreciated!

We are looking forward to having the vacant house in the back rented out. Our senior warden, Deb Nishihira, will also continue to communicate with the CBRE realtor who has been put in charge of looking for prospective businesses or groups that may want to rent the unoccupied preschool building. We hope to also use it for future ministries of our church. We are also exploring avenues for ministry to Palolo Valley. It means that we are very much alive, hopeful and optimistic.



Good Samaritan Church mourns the loss of two of their members. Hannah Okamoto passed away on September 15, 2016 at the Palolo Chinese Home in her sleep. Private services were held. The other member was Seiko Oshita who died the same day at her home. Services are pending.

Father of all, we pray to you for Hannah Okamoto and Seiko Oshita and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Respectfully,
Myrtle Kaneshiro

Baptism Blessings



We welcomed the baptism of Damien Kainoa Ikezawa, Great-great grandson of Good Samaritan's first minister, the late Rev. Benjamin Ikezawa (pictured left), who served at the church from 1931-1941.



Pictured are Damien with his parents, Aaron & Jennifer, and Father David Kennedy who performed the baptism. The family arrived from San Francisco to have the baptism done at Good Samaritan.



Pictured: Baby Damien with his parents Aaron & Jennifer Ikezawa, Grandmother Marilyn Ikezawa, Great-Grandmother Wilma Ikezawa, and Father David Kennedy.

Oct 15: Good Samaritan Church Fall Cleaning - Saturday, Oct. 15 from 7:30am - 10:30am. Heavy snacks will be provided. Please come to help with cleaning and decluttering the preschool building, the pavilion and the office as well as polish the altar brass in the church.

Oct 22: Bishop's Committee meeting – Saturday, 2:30pm in the pavilion

Oct 28 & 29: Convention XLVIII
The Cathedral of St. Andrew
Good Samaritan Delegates attending:
Faye Hee
Deb Nishihira
Nappy Napu'unoa

Every Wednesday—Tri-church Bible Study at St. Mary's Episcopal Church—10:00 am to 11:30 am (Led by Michael Kim of St. Luke's)

Last Thursday—IHS at St. Mary's, 9:00-12:00. Any help is welcome—stay for a few minutes and observe the difference this program is making in our community!



Family and friends gathered for this wonderful event!



All photos on this page are the courtesy of Jan Motoshige

Calendar for October 2016

Ministries

	Oct 8	Oct 15	Oct 22	Oct 29
Supply Clergy	Rev. Alison Dingley	Rev. Dale Burke	Kahu Irene Tanabe	Rev. Alex Geston
Altar Guild	Taylor Omuro	Chris Omuro	Melissa Morinishi Chris Omuro	Deb Nishihira
Lector	Myrtle Kaneshiro	Paul Kaneshiro	Nappy Napuunoa	Russell Nishimoto
Alms	Nappy	Youth	Pat	Youth
Eucharistic Minister	Deb	Chris	Deb	Chris
Counters	Nappy/Jessica	Les/Myrtle	Chris/Pat	Nappy/Jessica
Flowers	Lori Chun	Omuro	Nishihira	Hee
Watering	Nappy	Nappy	Nappy	Nappy
Refreshments	Nishihira	Omuro	Paul/Connie Kaneshiro	Pat Lum

Happy Birthday

Oct. 5—Helen Ezaki

Oct. 5—Faye Hee

Oct. 5—Mallory Hee

Oct. 6—Lori Chun

Oct. 6—Audrey Chinen



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(The Light)

The Rt. Rev. Robert L. Fitzpatrick, Bishop of Hawaii

Rev. Irene Tanabe, Priest-With-Oversight

Debbie Nishihira, Sr. Warden

Nappy Napu'umoa, Jr. Warden

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