Spiritual Care Volunteer Training

These three afternoon training sessions will provide volunteers with an introduction/refresher for spiritual/pastoral care visitation and care-giving in their own congregations or temples, or as spiritual care volunteer in selected health care facilities. The training program encourages all individuals who are interested in developing a lay ministry.

The classes will take place on Saturdays from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at:
First Unitarian Church of Honolulu
2500 Pali Hwy, Honolulu, HI 96817
Please contact Pacific Health Ministry for registration information. See below.

Dates & Topics & Presenters

April 1, 2017
Introduction to & Overview of Spiritual Care. Identifying Spiritual Distress—Rev. Anke Flohr
The Art of Listening: Listening & Communication & Caring Skills—Chaplain Steven Stitley

April 15, 2017
Spiritual Needs around mental health/ in crisis & illness / older adults - Chaplains Jessica Gibo & Stephen Prusinski
Spiritual Needs of the Dying & Bereaved - Chaplains Phyllis Hormann and Scott Berggren

May 13, 2017
Maintaining Healthy Boundaries : What Spiritual Care Volunteers need to know - Chaplain Al Miles
Summary—The Ministry of Spiritual Care Volunteers - Rev. Anke Flohr

People living with various losses; struggling with illnesses or injuries; or those who find themselves isolated are steadily increasing in our community. When people find themselves in these circumstances, they need others who will be present, listen and offer spiritual care. Institutions and agencies cannot meet the growing community needs alone. Preparing members of congregations to support these hurting individuals is vital.