



blaine memorial
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship

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**What's the difference between
knowing that God can do anything
and believing it?**



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All are Welcome Here!

Our core belief is that each person is a beloved child of God - whose giftedness we value and whose presence and participation are a blessing to our community, and to the Kin-dom of God in the world.

Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church affirms our core value of Radical Hospitality, and as a community, we are an inclusive Church that welcomes and extends every part of its ministry to all persons regardless of race, ethnicity, income, age, generation, political affiliation, theological stance, sexual orientation or gender identity.

Ministry Staff Team & Worship Celebrants

Senior Pastor
Associate Pastor
Choir Director
Pianist
Technical Production Support

Rev. Karen Yokota Love
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park
Eugene Onishi
Kathy Onishi
Ron Nobuyama, Marina Kozu,
Jarrett Shirouzu, Rachel Ono-Lim, David Akiyama,
Kai Yamamoto
Lynne Onishi, Lawrence Paltep
Sai Hanaoka
Kathy Onishi
Yuki Sofronas
Mimi Mar



Co-Youth Directors
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Pianist
Office Assistant
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Lay Leadership Team

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Lay Leaders
Annual Conference Delegates

Brad Miyake
Lisa Mar
Sally Sekijima
Arlene Naganawa
Ron Nobuyama, Brian Okura
Bob Sekijima, Gayle Miyake
Eugene Onishi, Kathy Onishi
Ron Nobuyama, George Yates

Ways to Give

"Every person must bring a gift in proportion to God's blessings upon you." (Deut. 16: 17)

- **ONLINE:** Click the Realm logo at blaineonline.org or scan the QR code on the right.
- **MOBILE:** Download the free "Realm Connect" app. Use your sign-in and click GIVING. Contact the Church Office, blaineoffice@yahoo.com. for a Realm sign-in.
- **TEXT:** Text BLAINE to 73256. Click the link you receive and follow the prompts.
- **MAIL:** Mail a check to: Blaine Memorial UMC at 3001 24th Ave S. Seattle, WA 98144.



<p>Prelude <i>Love the Lord Your God</i> <i>by Jim and Jean Strathdee</i> Kathy Onishi</p>	<p>Sermon <i>Come Alive</i> Rev. Karen Yokota Love</p>
<p>Welcome of Grace and Greeting Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn</p>	<p>Hymn of Reflection <i>Lord of the Dance (UMH #261)</i> Kathy Onishi</p>
<p>Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn</p>	<p>Invitation to the Offering Rev. Mia MiKyung Park</p>
<p>Opening Hymn <i>This Is a Day of New Beginnings (UMH #383)</i> Eugene and Kathy Onishi</p>	<p>Doxology <i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (UMH #94)</i> Kathy Onishi</p>
<p>Opening Prayer Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn</p>	<p>Prayer of Dedication Rev. Mia MiKyung Park</p>
<p>Scripture Reading <i>John 11: 1-6, 32-45 (CEB)</i> ヨハネの福音書 11: 1-6, 32-45 Sai Hanaoka & Tsutomu Nagoya</p>	<p>Announcements Rev. Karen Yokota Love</p>
<p>Children's Message Rev. Mia MiKyung Park</p>	<p>Closing Hymn <i>Hymn of Promise (UMH #707)</i> Kathy Onishi</p>
<p>Special Music <i>In the Garden</i> Blaine Memorial Choir</p>	<p>Benediction Rev. Karen Yokota Love</p>
<p>Scripture Reading <i>Ezekiel 37: 1-14 (NRSVUE)</i> エゼキエル書 37: 1-14 Dale Kaneko & Tsutomu Nagoya</p>	<p>Postlude <i>Without Seeing You by David Haas</i> Kathy Onishi</p>
	<p>Passing of the Peace Rev. Mia MiKyung Park</p>
	<p>Zoom Breakout Room Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn</p>

Sermon Reflection Questions

1. When have you encountered an old place experiencing new life?
2. Is our community more like a valley of dry bones or like a vast multitude living and standing on their feet? Why do you think this?
3. Who in your life would benefit from you walking beside them as they pursued something new?

Upcoming Lectionary Scriptures

- **Monday, March 27, 2023:** Psalm 143; 1 Kings 17:17-24; Acts 20:7-12
- **Tuesday, March 28, 2023:** Psalm 143; 2 Kings 4:18-37; Ephesians 2:1-10
- **Weds., March 29, 2023:** Psalm 143; Jeremiah 32:1-9, 36-41; Matthew 22:23-33
- **Thursday, March 30, 2023:** Psalm 31:9-16; 1 Samuel 16:11-13; Philippians 1:1-11
- **Friday, March 31, 2023:** Psalm 31:9-16; Job 13:13-19; Philippians 1:21-30
- **Saturday, April 1, 2023:** Psalm 31:9-16; Lamentations 3:55-66; Mark 10:32-34

Announcements



Tent City 3 Meal Service ▶ Today
Blaine Memorial Youth Group plans to cook spaghetti for Tent City 3 and deliver the food on Sunday March 26 after the worship service. Please bring any fruit, cookies, etc. if you would like to provide any desserts or our neighbors. Please contact Lynne & Lawrence (lynneonishi@gmail.com or lawrence.byg@gmail.com) for any questions.



Easter Cards Sale! ▶ March 26
Also, the B.Y.G. will be fundraising on Sunday, March 26, and Sunday, April 2, during fellowship hour. We'll offer Easter cards designed by Ally S. Each set of cards comes with 5 unique designs and 5 envelopes. Sets are \$10. Proceeds will go to our Youth Camping Ministries Fund, to help our youth/leaders to attend Junior High Camp and Asian American Summer Camp.

Wednesday Coffee & Prayer ▶ March 29 • 9am on Zoom



Please join Rev. Karen for a time of meditation and prayer on

Wednesday, 9am. A few Lenten devotionals will be read. Brew a fresh cup of coffee or steep some tea. This is a great opportunity to pause in the middle of the week to check in with others. The Zoom link will be sent out prior to gathering on Tuesday.

Upcoming Worship Services & Easter ▶ See Dates

- **Sunday, April 2, 2023:** Palm/Passion Sunday
- **Friday, April 7, 2023:** Good Friday Service at 7pm with Japanese Baptist Church at Blaine (6pm: light dinner)
- **Sunday, April 9, 2023:** Easter Sunday



We come together to celebrate God's love through the resurrection of Jesus Christ On Easter morning. Please bring flowers to decorate the cross and invite children to find eggs in the courtyard at Blaine!

Reconciling Ministries Bible Study ▶ April 5 • 7pm



The Reconciling Ministries task force is excited to host space for conversations about LGBTQIA+ inclusion in the church. Join us for our last Bible study class on April 5. We will continue to explore scripture through *Faithful and Inclusive: the Bible, Sexuality, and the United Methodist Church*. We will examine how United Methodists read the Bible looking at passages in the New Testament. Join us on Zoom - a link will be sent out in an email prior to Wednesday's meeting time from 7:00pm- 8:30pm. Contact Lynne Onishi with any questions at lynneonishi@gmail.com

Chips, Savory Items Needed!

Thank you all for generously donating sweet and savory treats for post-worship fellowship time. If you are able to provide individually wrapped bags of chips (potato chips, Doritos, Cheetos etc.) that would be appreciated. Please drop off your donations to the Narthex, Church Office or Social Hall when convenient either on Sunday or during Church Office Hours (Tuesday-Friday 9am-5pm). If you are interested in helping serve refreshments on Sundays after worship, please contact Julie Lock at: jtlock00@gmail.com.

Apply Now! Blaine Educational Scholarships ▶ Due May 17

The Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church Educational Scholarships are designed to support the mission of the church through supporting a multitude of educational opportunities. We are proud to have helped students in their pursuit of continuing education since 1968. We encourage all applicants; from those just entering their next phase of education to those returning to complete or pursue continued education.

We are blessed to offer the following scholarships: the Vera Ing Scholarship, Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church Scholarship, Yasuda Scholarship, William S. Yorozu Scholarship, and the Robert S. Sato Scholarship.

Scan the QR code to visit blaineonline.org for more information.



Blaine Cookbook needs your recipes! ▶ Due May 31

Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church will release a 120th Anniversary Edition of “Let’s Dine!”, the latest in a series of cookbooks produced by Blaine Memorial over the past 70 years. This cookbook will commemorate the 120th Anniversary of Blaine Memorial, with a scheduled release of January 2024. We are seeking submissions for the 2024 cookbook and are calling on you to contribute! Scan the QR code to visit blaineonline.org for more information.



Summer Camps & VBS! ▶ See Dates

This summer’s Camping Ministries and Vacation Bible School schedules are out!

Please save the dates for your children and youth!

- **June 25-30, 2023:** Jr/High Camp (for incoming 6th-9th graders):
- **July 10-14, 2023:** Vacation Bible School, 10am-3pm
- **July 23-28, 2023:** Asian Camp (for incoming 10th grade-2 years post-HS)

Jr. High Camp (JHC) and Asian American Summer Camp (AC) will at Camp Lodestar in Wilseyville, CA.)

Lent Book Study ▶ Finding Jesus in the Psalms

All-Church Lenten Book Study for small groups: Finding Jesus and the Psalms. This year’s All Church Lenten Book Study is Finding Jesus and the Psalms with Barb Roose. Roose guides the reader through a meaningful encounter with the Psalms through the season of Lent. The Church Office has a limited supply of books available for \$17, Leader Guides are \$16. You can also purchase on your own on Amazon.com or Cokesbury.com.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

As a Church and people who believe in the power of prayer, let us continue to lift up these persons in the joys and concerns that they are experiencing in their lives.

THOSE MOURNING THE PASSING OF LOVED ONES

- **Bob K. Watanabe**, 98, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at his home in Bellevue, WA. He is survived by his children, Linda Watanabe, Paul Watanabe (Diane), Donna Sekijima (Bob) and Susan Bryant (Chuck); seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Bob enjoyed bowling, clam digging and Masutake hunting. He loved his family with all of his heart. A private memorial service will be held at a future date at Blaine Memorial UMC.
- **Christine Joy Yada**, 73, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 10, 2023. She is survived by her husband, Jeff, children, Jason and Shelley, sister, Julie Tanagi Lock, and sister-in-law, Gail Yada Hikida. Christine enjoyed shopping, reading, going to Hawai'i, and loved cooking and feeding her family and friends. A private burial service was held at Evergreen Washelli on Tuesday, March 21, 2023. A public memorial service will be held at Blaine Memorial UMC on Saturday, April 15, 2023 at 3pm with light refreshments to follow.
- **Masa Hirano**, 101, passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 25, 2023 at her home in Clyde Hill, WA. She is survived by her daughter, Carrie Dodobara (Gary); three grandchildren: Steve Dodobara (Mindy), David Dodobara (Rajae Chbihi), Lisa Simpson (Mike); and seven great-grandchildren: Kenji, Cash, Ryan, Samya, Emma, Gunnar and Decker. Masa enjoyed activities with her seven great-grandchildren and loved the fellowship with the Tuesday Ladies for many years. A private memorial service will be held at Evergreen Washelli in the near future.
- **George Kaminishi**, 97, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at his home in Seattle, WA. He is survived by his wife, Laura, who he was married to for 70 years. George is also survived by his children, Karen, Kris (Allan), Amy and grandchildren, Brian, Kevin, Clark and Grant. A private memorial service will be held at a later time.

THOSE EXPERIENCING HEALTH CONCERNS

- **Jim Roney**, uncle of Marina Kozu, who is having spinal surgery this month.
- **Doris Fraley**, cousin of Sharonne Shimizu, Tina Fujii and Jana Wakasugi, who is in treatment for cancer.
- **Suma Yagi**, who is recovering from multiple surgeries.

- **Shigeharu Ago**, father to Yuki Sofronas who is recovering from being hospitalized in Japan.
- **Dean Tsuchida**, friend of Jana Wakasugi, in treatment for cancer.

THOSE IN CANCER TREATMENT OR REMISSION

- **Quy Phi** • **Nikki Palmer** • **Linda Perry**
- **Kt Aegerter** • **Chuck Sitkin**

THOSE IN NURSING HOMES OR CARE FACILITIES

- **Dorothy Akiyama**

THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS, RECOVERY

- **Connie Sekijima** • **Greg Ogata** • **Tami Mitsui**
- **Wyman Martin** • **Marcia Takahashi**

CELEBRATIONS

- We celebrate and honor Women's History Month in March!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating March birthdays and anniversaries!

FOR OUR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:

- We continue to pray for the safety of our **LGBTQI+ siblings** and for a just, inclusive future within The United Methodist Church. We pray that we are guided by love and the hope for a world where all people are celebrated and loved, where their rights are secured and where their sexual and gender diversity is valued.

FOR OUR COMMUNITY, NATION, AND WORLD:

- Prayers for **every person** who is experiencing ongoing **chronic pain**. May they know that there are people who can relate to their pain that others cannot see.
- Prayers for the **homeless**. Please allow them to have the food and drink and for their bodies to be nourished with warm meals and clean water.
- Prayers for **all people searching for their next job**. We pray for patience and tenacity as they continue to submit hundreds of resumes looking for that one "yes."
- Prayers of **people** who are experiencing **mental health challenges** who feel isolated, anxious and helpless.

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SUKIYAKI

April 29, 2023

Food pick up at the Lee Center Gym

2-6pm Take Out Only

\$20.00

Per ticket

Cooked or Uncooked



Other sale items include: Baked Goods, Traditional Ohagi, Tsukemono, and Blaine Memorial Cookbooks

**A portion of the proceeds will benefit the
Rainier Valley Food Bank.**