

# **Second Sunday of Easter**

# In what parts of your life do you find it challenging to remain Christ-centered?



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### All are Welcome Here!

### **Ministry Staff Team & Worship Celebrants**

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.



Senior Pastor Associate Pastor Choir Director Pianist Technical Production Support

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### Lay Leadership Team

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### 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.



Second Sunday of Easter April 16, 2023 • Hybrid Worship • 10pm in the Sanctuary

**Prelude** "Lamb of God" by Twila Paris Kathy Onishi

Welcome of Grace and Greeting Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Opening Hymn** "Christ Beside Me" (TFWS #2166) Eugene & Kathy Onishi, Unison

**Opening Prayer** Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**First Scripture Reading** John 20:19-31 (CEB), ヨハネの福音書 20:19-31 Marcus C. and Tsutomu Nagoya

**Children's Message** Sai Hanaoka

**Special Music** "In Christ Alone" Kathy Onishi, Michelle Vaughan, Miriam Tong, Eugene Onishi and Neal Komedal

Scripture Reading Colossians 3:12-17 (CEB), コロサイ人への手紙 3:12-17 Eunice Gong and Tsutomu Nagoya **Sermon** "BeUMC: Christ-Centered" Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

**Hymn of Response** "My Jesus, I Love Thee" (UMH #172) Eugene and Kathy Onishi, Unison

**Introduction to the Offering** Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Doxology** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" (UMH #94) Kathy Onishi

**Prayer of Dedication** Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Announcements Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Closing Hymn** "Where He Leads Me" (UMH #338) Eugene & Kathy Onishi, Unison

**Benediction** Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn will facilitate today's Fellowship Zoom Break Out Room following worship.

### Sermon Reflection Questions

- 1. This passage tells us that we should do everything in the name of Jesus. What does that look like for you?
- 2. In what parts of your life do you find it challenging to remain Christ-centered?
- 3. John Wesley taught us that growing in our faith is not something we achieve. How does knowing that your growth is a gift by the sanctifying (or perfecting) grace of God shape your thinking about being a Christ-centered person of God?

### **Upcoming Lectionary Scriptures**

Mon	<b>Tues</b>	Wed	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
4/17	4/18	4/19	4/20	4/21	4/22
<ul> <li>Psalm 114;</li> <li>Judges 6:36-40;</li> <li>1 Corinthians 15:12-20</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Psalm 114;</li> <li>Jonah 1:1-17;</li> <li>1 Corinthians 15:19-28</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Psalm 114;</li> <li>Jonah 2:1-10;</li> <li>Matthew 12:38-42</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Psalm 116:1- 4, 12-19;</li> <li>Isaiah 25:1-5;</li> <li>1 Peter 1:8b-12</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Psalm 116:1- 4, 12-19;</li> <li>Isaiah 26:1-4;</li> <li>1 Peter 1:13-16</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19;</li> <li>Isaiah 25:6-9;</li> <li>Luke 14:12-14</li> </ul>

## Announcements

Filming of Documentary for 120th Anniversary > Immediately after worship!



Blaine Memorial Actors (church members) participated in a dress rehearsal of the Daikanreki Blaine Memorial documentary film on Sunday, March 19 after worship.

The Blaine Memorial Archive Committee is producing a historical video documentary of the first 120 years of Blaine Memorial which will be in 2024. The film shoot is today, immediately after the day's worship service.

**Please join us!** We'd like 80-100 people or more in the crowd, of all ages from babies to youth to our wisest, of any race. Pizza will be offered to our actors. A love offering will be taken. Please plan to participate!

Please turn in your **PARTICIPANT RELEASE AGREEMENT** form to the ushers. You may get a blank copy in the Narthex. Please contact **Shig Nishida** with any questions, insights or concerns.

## **Announcements (continued)**

### **NEW!** ALL CHURCH WORK PARTY > Next Saturday, April 22 from 10am-2pm!

Join us for an ALL CHURCH WORK PARTY on Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 10:00am-2:00pm. We'll be beautifying the church campus and sprucing up the inside of the church to prepare for Blaine Memorial UMC's upcoming Sukiyaki Take Out event!

Please bring your own work tools for trimming bushes, pruning, and cutting down small trees if you plan to work outside. For those who are interested

in working indoors, there will be plenty of opportunities available! Lunch will be provided. We look forward to working together to make our church a more beautiful and welcoming place!





*Clockwise from top to bottom: Kai Yamamoto pressure washes the entry walkway removing moss and debris. Anne Arakaki-Lock rakes bamboo leaves after pruning the trees. Shig Nishida mends the cracks in the Trinity Gate. Everyone came out last summer to beautify our church campus!* 

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## **Announcements (continued)**

### 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. Applications are due May 17. 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. Visit blaineonline.org for more information. Scan the QR code for info.



### 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 2023! > See Dates

**This summer's Camping Ministries and Vacation Bible School schedules are out!** Please save the dates for your children and youth!

<b>June</b> 25-30	<b>July</b> 10-14	<b>July</b> 23-28
• <b>Jr/High Camp</b> (for incoming 6 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> graders)	• Vacation Bible School, 10am- 3pm	• Asian Camp (for incoming 10 <sup>th</sup> grade-2 yrs. post- HS)

Jr. High Camp registration is open now! Please register your youth by May 31!



## 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

- 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 was held yesterday, April 15, 2023, at Blaine Memorial UMC.
- 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 greatgrandchildren. 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.
- 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.
- Suma Yagi, who is recovering from multiple surgeries.
- **Shigeharu Ago**, father to Yuki Sofronas who is recovering from being hospitalized in Japan.

#### THOSE IN CANCER TREATMENT OR REMISSION

- Quy Phi Nikki Palmer Linda Perry Doris Fraley
- KT Aegerter Chuck Sitkin Dean Tsuchida

### 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

- Thank you to every single church volunteer who helped out in some way to make this year's Easter Celebration at Blaine Memorial UMC meaningful and special!
- Thank you to our BYG directors, leaders and youth who prepared and cooked our Easter Breakfast!
- Thank you to our Church School Teachers and Helpers who lovingly organized the Easter Egg Hunt!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating April 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 the many victims affected by the 6.6 magnitude earthquake off of Indonesia's Java Island.
- Prayers for the many survivors affected by the February 6, 2023 earthquake in Turkey. The earthquake killed more than 50,000 people. Prayers for the millions of residents who continue to recover and rebuild. Prayers for each person searching for a lost loved one.
- Prayers for our furry friends who are our loving companions. We pray for each person who has lost their pet due to age, illness, or an accident.
- Prayers for our **homeless** siblings in Christ.
- 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.



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.

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