



**blaine memorial**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# Worship

**WORSHIP WITH BLAINE!**

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**Palm Sunday:**  
**Where are you headed?**  
**Has your path changed?**



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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  
Church School Superintendent  
Pianist  
Office Assistant  
Bookkeeper

## Lay Leadership Team

Administrative Board  
Ad-Board Vice-Chair  
Staff Parish Relations  
SPRC Vice-Chair  
Board of Trustees  
Finance Committee  
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](http://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](mailto: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.



**Palm Sunday** • April 2, 2023 • Hybrid Sunday Worship • 10am in the Sanctuary

**Processional Prelude**

*"Hosanna, Hosanna"* by Cathy Townley  
Kathy Onishi

**Holy Communion**

Revs. Karen, Mia, Jeney and Mark

**Welcome of Grace and Greeting**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Special Music**

*"At This Table"* By Idina Menzel and Jonas Myrin  
Marina Koza

**Call to Worship**

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

**Introduction to the Offering**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

**Opening Hymn**

*"All Glory, Laud and Honor"*  
(UMH #280, verses 1-4)  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

**Doxology**

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*  
Kathy Onishi

**Opening Prayer**

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

**Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

**Scripture Reading**

*Matthew 21:1-11 (NRSVUE)*  
マタイの福音書 21:1-11  
Rev. Dr. Mark C. Hearn & Tsutomu Nagoya

**Announcements**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Children's Message**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

**Closing Hymn**

*"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"* (UMH #278)  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

**Special Music**

*"Triumphal Entry"*  
By Patti Drennan and J. Paul Williams  
Blaine Memorial Choir

**Benediction**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Sermon**

*"Where Are You Headed?"*  
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Postlude**

*"Awesome God"* by Rich Mullins  
Kathy Onishi

**Special Music**

*"Hosanna"*  
Lawrence Paltep, Lynne Onishi, Isabella  
Tinte (Beacon UMC) and Ryland Fernandez  
(Sacramento Japanese UMC)

**Passing of the Peace**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

**Zoom Break Out Room**

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

## Sermon Reflection Questions

1. Imagine you are one of the disciples. You know all the threats mounting against Jesus; you know that the religious leaders are conspiring against him. As Jesus openly enters the city with a public procession, how do you feel? What do you fear?

2. The proclamation, “Hosanna,” is a Hebrew imperative that was initially a cry for help, meaning, “Save us!” Over time, it was used liturgically in Psalm 118 as an expression of praise and adoration. Psalm 118 was sung at the Feast of Tabernacles, which was associated with palm branches. The crowd is described as shouting, or more accurately, “crying out.” Therefore, the tone of the parade is nuanced and complex. Some cry out with desperation. Some shout with adoration and praise. Some are there for the Festival of Passover and participate in the liturgical procession without giving it much thought at all. Some are threatened and afraid.

Imagine the confusion and chaos of this scene. How would you find your way through the crowd?

## Upcoming Lectionary Scriptures

Mon 4/3	Tues 4/4	Weds 4/5	Thurs 4/6	Fri 4/7	Sat 4/8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isaiah 42:1-9</li> <li>• Psalm 36:5-11</li> <li>• Hebrews 9:11-15</li> <li>• John 12:1-11</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isaiah 49:1-7</li> <li>• Psalm 71:1-14</li> <li>• 1 Corinthians 1:18-31</li> <li>• John 12:20-36</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isaiah 50:4-9a</li> <li>• Psalm 70</li> <li>• Hebrews 12:1-3</li> <li>• John 13:21-32</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14</li> <li>• Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19</li> <li>• 1 Corinthians 11:23-26</li> <li>• John 13:1-17, 31b-35</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Isaiah 52:13-53:12</li> <li>• Psalm 22</li> <li>• Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9</li> <li>• John 18:1-19:42</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Job 14:1-14 or Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24</li> <li>• Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16</li> <li>• 1 Peter 4:1-8</li> <li>• Matthew 27:57-66 or John 19:38-42</li> </ul>

## Announcements

**Easter Cards Sale! ▶ Today**



**The B.Y.G. continues fund raising today, during fellowship hour.**

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.

## Good Friday & Easter ▶ See Dates



### Friday, 4/7

- **Good Friday Service at 7pm** with Japanese Baptist Church at Blaine (6pm: light dinner)



### Sunday, 4/9

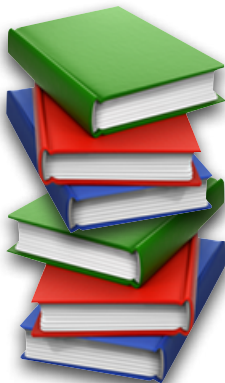
- **Easter Sunday:** We come together to celebrate God's love through the resurrection of Jesus Christ On Easter morning. Bring flowers to decorate the cross and invite children to find eggs in the courtyard at Blaine!

## 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](mailto:lynneonishi@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](http://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](http://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!



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

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

## Wednesday Coffee & Prayer ▶ April 5 • 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.

## 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](mailto:jtlock00@gmail.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.
- **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

- 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 **families** and **friends** who are grieving for the loss of the **three children** and the **three adults** who were shot in the deadly mass shooting at Covenant Presbyterian Church Elementary School in Nashville, TN on Monday, March 27, 2023. Prayers for the families of victims, for the Covenant family, for the courageous officers, and for the family of the shooter.
- Prayers for the **many victims** affected by the vicious tornadoes that struck Mississippi on Friday, March 24, 2023 killing 21 people and left more injured without a home. Continued prayers for those who survived who are attempting to regain a sense of normalcy despite demolished homes and businesses.
- Prayers for **everyone** grieving the loss of the **seven people** who were pronounced dead after the explosion at the R.M. Palmer Company chocolate factory in West Reading, PA on Friday, March 24, 2023.
- 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.

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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.**