



blaine memorial
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY
July 2, 2023

Worship

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**What does God give
and take from us in a
way that is liberating?
And for what reasons?**



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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

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Church School Superintendent
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Bookkeeper

Lay Leadership Team

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Finance Committee
Lay Leaders
Annual Conference Delegates

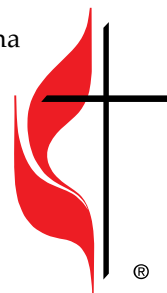
Altar Flowers

Thank you to Miriam Tong for today's beautiful flower arrangement!

Ways to Give

- **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.
- **TEXT:** Text BLAINE to 73256. Click the link and follow the prompts.
- **MAIL:** Mail checks to: BMUMC at 3001 24th Ave S. Seattle, WA 98144.

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
Kai Yamamoto
Kaylee Yokoyama
Sai Hanaoka
Yuki Sofronas
Mimi Mar



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



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Hybrid Worship • Fourth of July Sunday
New Appointment Year • July 2, 2023

Hymn of Response
Live in Charity (Ubi Caritas) (TFWS #2179)
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

Prelude
Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
J.S. Bach, Setting by John Carter
Kathy Onishi

Holy Communion
Rev. Karen Yokota Love
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Welcome of Grace and Greeting
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Introduction to the Offering
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Call to Worship
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

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

***Opening Hymn**
America the Beautiful (UMH #696)
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

Prayer of Dedication
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Opening Prayer
Kobe Yamamoto

Announcements
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Scripture Reading
Matthew 10:40-42 (CEB)
Kobe Yamamoto, Tsutomu Nagoya

Closing Hymn
The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve
(TFWS #2241)
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

Children's Message
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Benediction
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Reappointment of our Pastors
Arlene Naganawa

Postlude
Grace Alone
By Scott Wesley Brown and Jeff Nelson
Kathy Onishi

Sermon
Welcome
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Passing of the Peace
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Sermon Reflection Questions

1. Are there any cosmic transactions that are frequently expressed in your faith tradition? What does God give and take away and for what reasons? How can we make sure we characterize these transactions in a way that is liberating?
2. How can our Blaine Memorial spiritual community embrace a more holistic understanding of welcome that incorporates protective exclusions?
3. Are there any vulnerable communities who might feel less welcome when visiting our church?

Upcoming Lectionary Scriptures

Monday, July 3, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 47; Genesis 22:15-18; 1 Thessalonians 4:9-12
Complementary: Psalm 119:161-168; 1 Kings 21:1-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:9-12

Thursday, July 6, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 45:10-17; Genesis 25:19-27; Romans 7:1-6
Complementary: Psalm 145:8-14; Zechariah 1:1-6; Romans 7:1-6

Tuesday, July 4, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 47; 1 Kings 18:36-39; 1 John 4:1-6
Complementary: Psalm 119:161-168; 1 Kings 21:17-29; 1 John 4:1-6

Friday, July 7, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 45:10-17; Genesis 27:1-17; Romans 7:7-20
Complementary: Psalm 145:8-14; Zechariah 2:6-13; Romans 7:7-20

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 47; Isaiah 51:1-3; Matthew 11:20-24
Complementary: Psalm 119:161-168; Jeremiah 18:1-11; Matthew 11:20-24

Saturday, July 8, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 45:10-17; Genesis 27:18-29; Luke 10:21-24
Complementary: Psalm 145:8-14; Zechariah 4:1-7; Luke 10:21-24

Announcements

Wednesday Coffee & Prayer ▶ July 5 • 9am on Zoom



Please join Rev. Karen for a time of meditation and prayer on Wednesday, July 5 at 9am. The Wednesday Prayer group continues to meet each week. Our time together consists of a checking-in with each other, reading devotionals, and we end in prayer. The Zoom link will be sent out prior to gathering on Tuesday.

VBS Collection

We are preparing for this year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) from July 10-14! This year's theme is Food Truck Party on a Roll with God! We are asking kindly for the following items:

- **Portable Picnic Table with foldable seats:** Needed Saturday, July 8-Sunday, July 16.
- **Koinobori/Fish kite decorations:** Indicate your name on each item.
- **Small packs of snacks including:** granola bars, dried fruit, juice boxes, soda pop. Hygiene products: soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, shaving gel, hand sanitizer. Please leave your donations in the black treasure chest box in the Narthex. Contact Pastor Mia at miablaine2020@gmail.com and/or Susan Lee at blainevbs@gmail.com with questions.



VBS 2023 and Asian Camp!

This summer's Camping Ministries and Vacation Bible School schedules are out. Mark these dates on your calendar!

July 10-14	Vacation Bible School 10am-3pm, register now: https://blaineonline.org/vbs-2023/
July 23-28	Asian Camp (for incoming 10th grade-2 years post-high school) Registration is now CLOSED!



*"Looking Back"
by Fumiko Kimura*

Sumi Strokes of Summer Exhibit July 5 - August 24

Puget Sound Sumi Artists (PSSA) presents Sumi Strokes of Summer, an exhibit of Sumi Fine Art and a memorial tribute to its founder, Fumiko Kimura (12/1929-03/2023), and a retrospective of 37 years of PSSA art.

This event will be held at the Premier Gallery at the Puyallup Activity Center (210 West Pioneer, Puyallup, WA 98371), July 5 - August 24, 9am-4pm, M-F (except holidays).

Scan the QR code to the right for more information!





*Scan the QR Code
to register now!*





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

- **June Sato**, 94, passed away peacefully and with grace at her home in Laguna Niguel, CA on Thursday, June 15, 2023. June is survived by her husband, Frank, four children, a son who predeceased her, seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. June and Frank celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on June 14, 2023, so June waited until that significant day passed before she joined her son and the other angels in Heaven. The family had a small Celebration of Life service on June 24, 2023 for immediate family.
- **Fumiko Kimura**, 93, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 29, 2023. Fumiko is survived by her brother George, son Richard (wife Marcia, children Alyssa, Kelsi, and Caleb), son Howard (wife Florance, children Jennifer and Kyle), and daughter Jeanne (husband Mark), four great-grandchildren. A private family funeral service was held recently. In addition, a Puget Sound Sumi Artists (PSSA) Reception Invitation with a memorial and dedication to Fumiko will be on Monday, July 10, 2023 from 6:00PM-8:00PM at the Premier Gallery Puyallup Activity Center at 210 West Pioneer, Puyallup, WA 98371. Fumiko was an active member at Whitney Memorial UMC, located in Tacoma and Puyallup, WA.
- **Miyeko Mochizuki**, 96, passed away peacefully at Seattle's Nikkei Manor on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023. She is survived by her children, James (Susan), Ken, and Alan (Stacey); grandchildren Aaron (Karyn), Nathan (Elaine), Tyler and Sydney; and two great-granddaughters. She was predeceased by her parents, Shigematsu and Asao Nakano, sister Lilly Chiyeko Nakano, husband Eugene and daughter-in-law Merry Mochizuki. A private memorial service will be held at a future date.
- **Bob K. Watanabe**, 98, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 in Bellevue, WA. He is survived by his children, Linda, Paul (Diane), Donna Sekijima (Bob) and Susan Bryant (Chuck); seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Bob enjoyed bowling, clam digging and matsutake hunting. A private memorial service was held on Saturday, June 10 at Blaine Memorial UMC.

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** • **Jim Roney**
- **Suma Yagi** • **Rev. Shigeharu Ago** • **Emi K.**

Celebrations

- Congratulations to **Rev. Mia MiKyung Park** who was ordained on June 11, 2023 in Meridian, ID as a Full Elder in the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church!
- Congratulations on another successful completion of the **PNW Annual Conference Sessions** which took place in Tacoma, WA from June 13-15, 2023! This year's Blaine Memorial UMC representatives were Rev. Karen Yokota Love, George Yates, Ron Nobuyama and Lynne Onishi.
- Congratulations to **Kyle and Emi Suzuki** on the birth of their daughter, **Margaret Aina Suzuki**, born on June 6, 2023 at six pounds, 10 ounces. Her sisters, Clare and Alice are singing with joy! We also give praise of jubilation to her grandparents, **Stephen Sumida and Gail Nomura!**
- Congratulations to **Harry and Dawn Sakaguchi-Tang** on the birth of their son, **Wyatt Tang**, born on May 24, 2023 at seven pounds, two ounces. Mom and son are well and the Tang Family is celebrating with joy!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating **July birthdays and anniversaries!**

For our United Methodist Church:

- We continue to pray for the safety of our **LGBTQIA+ 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.



Ongoing Donations for Afghan and Ukrainian Refugees

Items being collected: At this time, we have an abundance of some items and so we are NOT in need of clothing or children's toys. Especially needed items are women's products, toothpaste, personal care items, rice cookers, blenders, mixing bowls, microwave ovens, toasters, mixers, irons, dish sets, towels, and blankets. Blaine Memorial UMC Collection Hours:

Collection items can be dropped off to the Blaine Memorial Social Hall from Tuesday - Thursday between 10:00am-4:00PM.

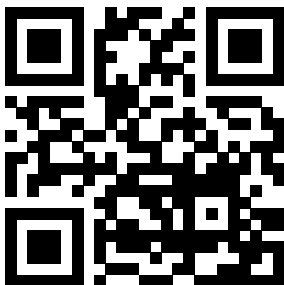
Please call the Church Office at (206) 723-1536 prior to dropping off your items.

South King County Response Center Collection & Volunteer Hours: The Donation Center is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays from 10am-2pm, same time as the Tukwila Pantry at 3118 S. 140th St. Seattle. Please text Kim Parks at (206) 683-1707 when you would like to help. Please wear a mask and bring a marking pen and measuring tape if possible.

Please contact Donna Sekijima at: donnasek@outlook.com and/or Anne Arakaki-Lock at: arakakilock@gmail.com.

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