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July 9, 2023

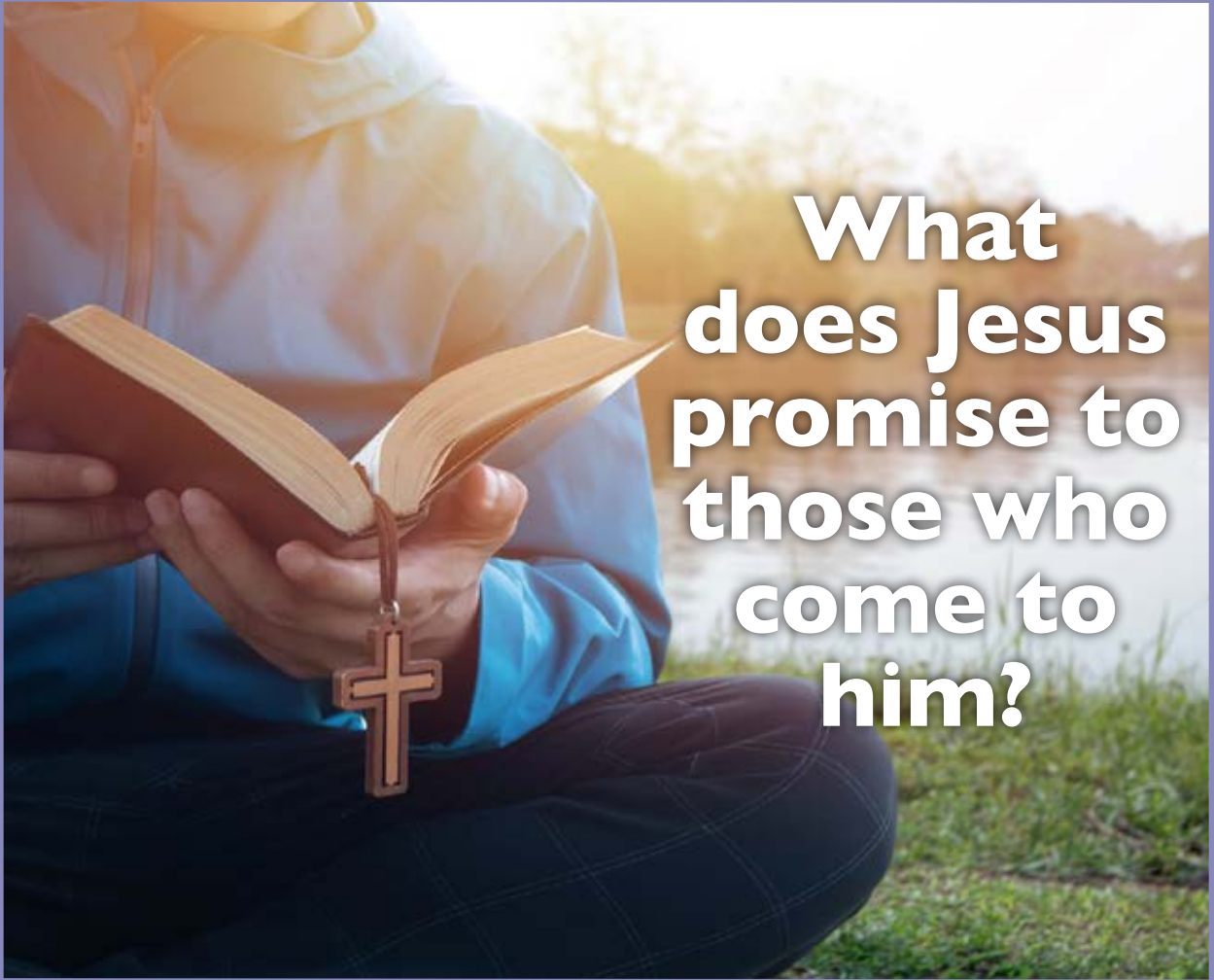
Worship

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What does Jesus promise to those who come to him?



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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.



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Altar Flowers

Thank you to Terri Pittman 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.

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Sai Hanaoka
Yuki Sofronas
Mimi Mar



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



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Hybrid Worship • July 9, 2023

Prelude

Blessed Assurance
Music by Phoebe P. Knapp
Setting by John Carter
Yuki Sofronas

Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

***Call to Worship**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

***Opening Hymn**

Jesus Loves Me (UMH #191)
Michelle Vaughan and Yuki Sofronas

Opening Prayer

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Scripture Reading

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (NRSVUE)
Malia Yamamoto, Tsutomu Nagoya

Children's Message

Sai Hanaoka

Special Music

Just a Closer Walk with Thee (TFWS #2159)
Phil Onishi and Yuki Sofronas

Sermon

What is Your Call to Do and to Be?
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Hymn of Reflection

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (UMH #526)
Michelle Vaughan and Yuki Sofronas

Introduction to the Offering

Malia Yamamoto

***Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
(UMH #94)
Michelle Vaughan and Yuki Sofronas

Prayer of Dedication

Malia Yamamoto

Announcements

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Closing Hymn

You Are the Seed
(UMH #583)
Michelle Vaughan and Yuki Sofronas

***Benediction**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Postlude

Peaceful Meditation
Music by Paul Fey
Yuki Sofronas

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Have a wonderful week!

Sermon Reflection Questions

1. In verses 16-19 in today's passage, Jesus uses a metaphor of children in the marketplace. What is the meaning behind this metaphor, and what is Jesus trying to convey?
2. In verses 28-29, Jesus offers a famous invitation to those who are weary and burdened. What does he mean by "my yoke is easy and my burden is light," and what does Jesus' promise to those who come to him?
3. In verse 29, Jesus describes himself as "gentle and humble in heart." What does this reveal about his character, and how does it apply to you?
4. What is an invitation of Jesus in today's passage that applies to you, and how can you share it with others?

Upcoming Lectionary Scriptures

Monday, July 10, 2023

Semi-continuous: Song of Solomon 2:8-13;
Genesis 27:30-46; Romans 1:18-25
Complementary: Psalm 131;
Jeremiah 27:1-11, 16-22; Romans 1:18-25

Thursday, July 13, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:105-112;
Exodus 3:1-6; Romans 2:12-16
Complementary: Psalm 65:9-13;
Isaiah 48:1-5; Romans 2:12-16

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Semi-continuous: Song of Solomon 2:8-13;
Genesis 29:1-14; Romans 3:1-8
Complementary: Psalm 131;
Jeremiah 28:10-17; Romans 3:1-8

Friday, July 14, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:105-112;
Deuteronomy 32:1-10; Romans 15:14-21
Complementary: Psalm 65:9-13;
Isaiah 48:6-11; Romans 15:14-21

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

Semi-continuous: Song of Solomon 2:8-13;
Genesis 29:31-35; John 13:1-17
Complementary: Psalm 131;
Jeremiah 13:1-11; John 13:1-17

Saturday, July 15, 2023

Semi-continuous: Psalm 119:105-112;
Isaiah 2:1-4; John 12:44-50
Complementary: Psalm 65:9-13;
Isaiah 52:1-6; John 12:44-50

VBS is THIS WEEK: July 10-14!



VBS Collection

Vacation Bible School (VBS) begins tomorrow! VBS will run from July 10-14, 10AM-3PM! This year's theme is Food Truck Party on a Roll with God! We are still collecting the following items:

- **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.





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).



"Looking Back"
by Fumiko Kimura

Scan the QR code to the right for more information!

Save the Date: Blessing of the Animals, Aug. 6



Blaine Memorial UMC will have a Blessing of the Animals worship service on **Sunday, August 6, 2023, at 10:00AM** in the **Blaine Courtyard**. Everyone is invited to bring pets (or pictures of pets) for the blessing. Dogs should be on leashes and other pets should be in appropriate carriers. Hope to see you there with your furry friend!



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.

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 • Suma Yagi • Rev. Shigeharu Ago • Emi K.**

Celebrations

- 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.

For our community, nation, and world

- Prayers for the victims who were shot to death in New York City, NY; Shreveport, LA; Philadelphia, PA; Fort Worth, TX and in many more places that we know and those places that are unknown. We pray for the families who grieve their loved ones. Our hearts are broken with pain for these senseless deaths caused by gun violence. Let our voices be raised by asking our legislators to enact gun laws to protect all in our society, especially those most vulnerable.
- Prayers for the fire victims across the country. Prayers as they rebuild and recover after the aftermath of fire season in many places.
- Prayers for people who are experiencing mental health challenges who are isolated, anxious and helpless. May they find peace.



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 - Friday between 10:00am-4:00PM.

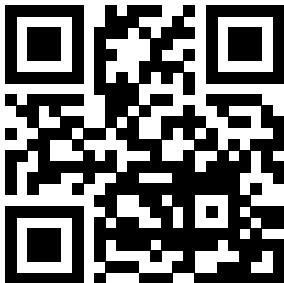
Please call the Church Office at (206) 723-1536 prior to dropping off your items.

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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