



blaine memorial
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY
August 27, 2023

Worship

Scholarship Sunday!

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**How do you shine
your light
for others to see?**



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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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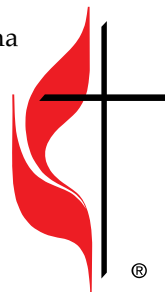
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Thank you to the Watanabe Family for today's beautiful flower arrangement!

Ways to Give

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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Hybrid Worship • August 27, 2023

Prelude

Sanctuary
by John Thompson and Randy Scruggs
Kathy Onishi

Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

***Call to Worship**

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

***Opening Hymn**

As a Fire is Meant For Burning
TFWS #2237
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

First Scripture Reading

Romans 12:1-8 (NRSVUE)
□—マ一人への手紙 12:1-8 (JLB)
Joshua Santos, Tsutomu Nagoya

Special Music

God With Us
Blaine Praise Band

Celebrating our Scholarship Recipients

Allison Hall, Joshua Santos
Kai Yamamoto, Kobe Yamamoto
Kaylee Yokoyama, Michelle Yokoyama

Prayers of the People

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Second Scripture

Matthew 5:14-16 (NRSV)
マタイの福音書 5:14-16 (JLB)
Joshua Santos, Tsutomu Nagoya

Sermon

Living Your Faith
Michelle Vaughan

Hymn of Meditation

Breathe on Me Breath of God
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

Introduction to the Offering

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

***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**

I Will Follow
by Chris Tomlin, Jason Ingram, Reuben
Morgan (with Blaine Praise Band)
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

***Benediction**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Postlude

I Will Follow
by Chris Tomlin, Jason Ingram, Reuben
Morgan (with Blaine Praise Band)
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Blaine Memorial UMC

wishes to thank the families for which the following scholarships are named and the continued support these scholarships give to the youth and families of the recipients.



THE VERA ING SCHOLARSHIP

The Vera Ing Scholarship has been established to recognize Vera's accomplishments and give a hand up to those with similar circumstances and passion.

Vera was a go-getter, a doer, always engaged in what she set her mind to. When her three children were in grade school, Vera started her college education to quench her thirst for learning more. She attended North Seattle Community College where she earned a degree in Early Childhood Education. She then attended the University of Washington and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Urban Planning. Vera served on the board of the North Seattle Community College Foundation from 1990 until 1999. She was the board chair from 1994-1997. Vera was the first distinguished alumna in 2002, when the annual award was created. Vera was a strong leader in her community and at Blaine Memorial UMC. She was active in Seattle's International District and in the city since the 1960's. It was important for Vera to give back to the community. This scholarship was awarded to an individual who exemplifies Vera's passion of continuing education to give back and better the community they serve.

THE ROBERT S. SATO SCHOLARSHIP

The Robert S. Sato scholarship was established in 2010 at the time of his passing.

The family presented the scholarship to Blaine Memorial UMC as a way to honor him and keep his memory alive. Bob was born in Puyallup, Washington; interned at Minidoka where he was drafted to serve in the 100th Battalion/442 RCT. A Civil Engineer by trade, he earned his degree at the University of Washington and spent a good portion of his career with the Army Corps of Engineers, rising to the position of *Assistant Chief of Design*. He was both a leader in the Seattle Japanese American community and at Blaine Memorial. He served on the Board of Trustees, Finance Committee, the Administrative Board as Chair, and as co-chair on the Building Committee. He was instrumental in establishing our current Blaine Church facility on 24th Ave South and South Hanford Street. Bob was a wonderful father and husband. He was always a beacon of light for his family, friends, the church and community. His focus on lifelong learning has been instilled in his children, grandchildren and through the scholarship awarded in his name.





TED AND MARGARET YASUDA SCHOLARSHIP

Having arrived at a milestone in their lives – their retirement in 1987 – Ted and Margaret Yasuda established a scholarship at Blaine Memorial UMC, returning this gift to God in gratitude for all the blessings they have received in their lives. It was their hope that in this way, others may be helped and encouraged as their children were. When the scholarship established, Ted and Margaret wrote, *“Education has been very important to us. As our father said to us during World War II, education of Japanese Americans when we lost everything, ‘put education and knowledge into your head...no one can take that away from you.’”* Margaret Yasuda graduated from Garfield High School and was interned at Minidoka Internment Camp during World War II. Leaving Minidoka to attend Seton Nursing School in Colorado, Mrs. Yasuda was a member of the Nisei Cadet Nurses of World War II. She received her Bachelors of Science in nursing from the College of Mount St. Joseph in Cincinnati, Ohio. She received her degree in Public Health Nursing from the University of Washington. Mrs. Yasuda was a nurse with the King County Public Health Department where she worked in the well-baby clinic, on travel immunizations and the visiting nurse division. She married Ted Yasuda in 1950 and they were blessed with 58 years of marriage. Mrs. Yasuda passed away in 2009. Ted Yasuda was interned at Minidoka and served in the 442nd RCT. Mr. Yasuda attended the University of Washington, graduating with a degree in Eastern Asian History and a Masters Degree in Librarianship. Mr. Yasuda worked for Boeing for over 30 years as a Technical Librarian. Mr. Yasuda enjoys gardening, photography, and coming to church. He served as Financial Secretary at Blaine for many years, was involved with Boy Scout Troop 55 and was instrumental in the building of Blaine Memorial UMC at our present site.

THE WILLIAM S. YOROZU SCHOLARSHIP

William S. Yorozu was a Nisei member of Blaine Memorial UMC from his early youth. He graduated from Garfield High School in Seattle and earned his degree in Horticulture/Landscape Design from Washington State University in Pullman, Washington. After college he was the owner of a full service landscape maintenance and construction company, T. Yorozu Gardening Co., started by his father. During his summer months, he hired many Nisei and Sansei high school and college students. He was a firm believer in a good education and was proud that some student employees graduated to become doctors, attorneys and business leaders. The family of William S. Yorozu feels it is fitting to honor his name through scholarships at Blaine Memorial UMC. The scholarships promote a connection with God and help students to achieve their educational goals.



THE BLAINE MEMORIAL UMC SCHOLARSHIP

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, to apply.



Scholarship Awards

Recipients of 2023!

Congratulations to the 2023 Scholarship Award Recipients! Scholarships were awarded this year to six very deserving young people who are pursuing their higher education. Their awards were based on their demonstrated academic achievement as well as their commitment to church and community.



Hello Blaine Community,
Thank you so much for your support as I continue my education at Bellevue College. I would also like to give a special thank you to both the Yorozu and Sato families for sponsoring the scholarships! Although I am entering my third year of college, I am also entering the final year of my program! This Spring, I will be graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Cybersecurity. I am very grateful to be able to experience college and take all the amazing classes I have been able to take so far! I can't wait to continue classes this fall and graduate this year! — *Kai Yamamoto*

Dear Blaine Congregation and Yorozu Family,
I would like to extend my gratitude to the Blaine congregation and the **Yorozu Family** for their generous support towards my education. I will be heading into my Junior year at the University of Washington, pursuing a degree in psychology. I am planning on using this scholarship towards tuition and textbooks.

I am grateful that Blaine's support allows me to pursue my goals and passions in college, becoming a child clinical psychologist. I am super appreciative and take comfort in knowing I have a loving community within Blaine. Thank you again for awarding me these scholarships, and allowing me to pursue higher education. — *Kaylee Yokoyama*



I would like to thank the Blaine congregation for their support over the many years in helping me pursue my dreams. I would also like to give a special thanks to the Yorozu family, for the financial support. Blaine has been instrumental to my growth as a student and as a person. Currently, I am a rising Junior at the University of Washington, majoring in Accounting and Information Systems, as well as minoring in Real Estate and the Jack and Ann Rhodes Professional Sales program. The scholarships I have received will go towards paying for tuition and textbooks. — *Kobe Yamamoto*





I would like to thank everybody at Blaine UMC for giving me the opportunity to go to the University of Washington and earn my Bachelors Degree. I will be pursuing a degree in Film. I hope to be able to work on Films and TV Shows after I graduate. I will also use the knowledge I learn to help other churches with video projects, equipment set up, etc. I would also like to thank you for treating us like family. I'm glad to be a part of Blaine and seeing what the future holds for us. — *Joshua Santos*

Hello, I'm Allison!

I am attending Case Western Reserve University starting this fall, pursuing a degree in Nursing. I am so thankful towards the Blaine Congregation and to the Yasuda family for their generous support. I will put these Scholarships towards my tuition. Once again, I just wanted to share my gratitude for this support and investment in my higher education. — *Allison Hall*



Dear Sato family and Blaine Congregation, I would like to extend my deep appreciation for always supporting me on my academic path to pursue higher education. Thank you to the Sato family for their generosity of the Robert S. Sato scholarship! I will be attending WSU Spokane's location to achieve my degree in the Master of Science Coordinated Program in Dietetics, Nutrition, and Exercise Physiology. I will use the money towards tuition, housing, and books. My career goals are to become a Registered Dietitian and acquire my American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) Certification. The pathway I am interested in is to become a clinical dietitian by using my knowledge of nutrition to assist clients. The ACSM Certification will allow me to utilize an exercise plan to help clients with chronic diseases to better their life through nutrition and exercise intervention. My desire is to be able to educate clients in a collaborative and compassionate manner so they can make healthy lifestyle choices. With sincere appreciation, thank you for the scholarship which will help me achieve my goals. I truly appreciate your support! — *Michelle Yokoyama*

Join us after worship today! End-of-Summer BBQ and BYG Bake Sale!



Join us immediately after worship in the Social Hall for a delicious BBQ with hot dogs, hamburgers, and veggie burgers!

Support our BYG Camping Ministries, as well! They'll sell delicious baked goods, homemade cookies, brownies at the BYG Bake Sale! The proceeds from the Bake Sale will go directly to Youth Camping Ministries.

Sermon Reflection Questions

1. Think about the practices you use to live your faith. What other ideas or practices can you incorporate into your daily life to allow you to live your faith more fully?
2. Do you “shine your light” for others? What does that mean to you? How can we be more open about shining our light?

Daily Lectionary Readings

Monday, August 28, 2023:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 8;

Exodus 1:1-7; Romans 2:1-11

Complementary: Psalm 18:1-3, 20-32;
1 Samuel 7:3-13; Romans 2:1-11

Thursday, August 31, 2023:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b;

Exodus 2:23-24; Ephesians 5:1-6

Complementary: Psalm 26:1-8;
Jeremiah 14:13-18; Ephesians 5:1-6

Tuesday, August 29, 2023:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 8;

Exodus 2:11-15a; Romans 11:33-36

Complementary: Psalm 18:1-3, 20-32;
Deuteronomy 32:18-20, 28-39;
Romans 11:33-36

Friday, September 1, 2023:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b;

Exodus 3:16-22; 2 Thessalonians 2:7-12

Complementary: Psalm 26:1-8;
Jeremiah 15:1-9; 2 Thessalonians 2:7-12

Wednesday, August 30, 2023:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 8;

Exodus 2:15b-22; Matthew 26:6-13

Complementary: Psalm 18:1-3, 20-32;
Isaiah 28:14-22; Matthew 26:6-13

Saturday, September 2, 2023:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b;

Exodus 4:1-9; Matthew 8:14-17

Complementary: Psalm 26:1-8;
Jeremiah 15:10-14; Matthew 8:14-17

Announcements

Kimball Elementary School to Reopen: Ribbon-Cutting Event on Thursday, August 31, 4pm-6pm at Kimball Elementary

Blaine Memorial UMC is invited to Kimball Elementary's Grand Opening! We'll help Kimball celebrate the completion of the new school building! We're meeting in front of the Blaine Memorial UMC Bus Stop at 3:45pm and we'll walk over to Kimball together. Parking is limited. *There will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 4:30pm with guided tours to follow.*



Innovation Hub presents: Family Film Night on Friday, Sept. 1!

RSVP to Family Film Night!
When? Friday, September 1, 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Social Hall!

We'll be watching a family-focused film rated PG or G. A light dinner and snacks will be provided! *Please RSVP to this event by Thursday, August 31. Scan the QR code!*

If you have any questions, please contact Lynne Onishi at lynneonishi@gmail.com.

Join Us for Rally Sunday on Sunday, Sept. 10!

Please join us on Sunday, September 10 at 10am for Rally Sunday where we will introduce our Church School teachers and talented BYG leaders for the 2023-2024 church school year!

After our worship and fellowship, we invite all parents to gather in the Social Hall for a Parents' Meeting.



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

- **Shizue Watanabe**, 98, passed away peacefully at Valley Medical Hospital and she was surrounded by her children on Thursday, July 13, 2023. Shizue is survived by her children, Judy Yasutake (Bruce), Glen (Jody), Wendell, Sharon, and Dale (Bif); four grandchildren: Curtis (Joline), Ben, Lucas and Hannah. Shizue was predeceased by her husband, Bill. Shizue enjoyed Minyo dancing, crafting, playing games like “Go Fish” and Hanafuda. She loved her cats and anything that was cat-related. She also loved her family with all her heart. Shizue also was a Tuesday Lady. A public Celebration of Life service was held yesterday at Blaine Memorial UMC. Guests celebrated in style with Aloha attire and cat-themed clothing!
- **Akemi Sanaye Kurushima** passed away on August 1, 2023, at the age of 3 months old. She brought immense joy to her family and their friends. She is survived by her parents, Dean and Kara (Chin) Kurushima; grandparents, Michael and Elaine Chin, Jeff and Carol Kurushima; her aunts, Taryn Chin and Kacy Kurushima (Daniel). She’s at peace now with our Lord in heaven and being cradled by her family preceding her in death including her namesake and great-grandmother, Sanaye ‘Sani’ Maekawa and Bill Maekawa. The family will have a Celebration of Life service on September 2, 2023 in Los Angeles, CA.
- **Homer Yasui**, age 98, passed away on July 25, 2023. He is survived by his three children, eight grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. He was born in Hood River, OR, and lived most of his life in Portland, OR. He was a medical doctor and Korean War veteran. Homer will be greatly missed by his family and friends.
- **Satoshi Yamamoto**, 78, passed away at home surrounded by loved ones on July 17, 2023, after a brief but hard-fought battle with a rare aggressive form of cancer. Satoshi is survived by his wife of 51 years Pearl, son Tate Yamamoto (Sayoko), daughter Tara Hiura (Timothy), granddaughters Teia and Talia Hiura, grandson Ryley Yamamoto, siblings Setsuko Hamamoto, Fusako Kamihara, Masaru Yamamoto (Kathleen), Yasuko Yamamoto, Katashi Yamamoto (friend Julie) and preceded in death by parents Hideo and Hide Yamamoto, siblings Noboru Yamamoto, Tadashi Yamamoto, Yoshiko Ishimitsu and Ichiko Ishii. Satoshi was a dedicated husband and father. Working swing shift, he took a large part in raising their two children; teaching them to ride bicycles, practicing sports, and playing in the park. Satoshi built and maintained the Japanese garden at their home, he continued

to customize cars and attend car shows. Satoshi never failed to go above and beyond to help others. In lieu of flowers, please donate to Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church or charity of your choice. On August 2, 2023, a burial service was held at Sunset Hills Memorial Park and Funeral Home followed by a Celebration of Life service and reception at Terry's Kitchen in Bellevue, WA.

- **Tami Mitsui**, 93, passed away peacefully at her home in Renton, WA, on Thursday, July 13, 2023. Tami was surrounded by her family. She is survived by her children, Nancy Fredrick, Jan Davis, Mark Mitsui (Melanie) and Glenn Mitsui (Arlene); seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Sam, in 2019. Tami ran several marathons when she was in her 60s. She ran with Sam throughout her life. A Celebration of Life service and reception was held on August 5, 2023 at Blaine Memorial UMC.
- **George Aoyama**, 96, passed away on April 12, 2023. He is survived by his sister, Anne Moriyasu; daughters, Cindy (Gary) Shimizu, Tami McClincy and Lori Ricord; grandchildren, Drew and Alec Shimizu and Lorissa and Logan Ricord. George grew up in Seattle as a teen and his family was incarcerated at Camp Harmony in Puyallup, and later sent to the Minidoka concentration camp in Idaho during World War II. As a youth and young adult, George played baseball, and later enjoyed bowling at Imperial Lanes in Seattle. He was an avid golfer, a member of the Bayview Nisei Golf Club, and a member of the Nisei Veterans Committee. George served in the U.S.

military and was honorably discharged in 1947. George worked in the shipping industry, first for C.T. Takahashi & Co and later retired from Mitsui & Co. George will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Those in cancer treatment or remission

- **Tony Yasuda • Lesley Cunninham**
- **Duong Nguyen • 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

- **Madison Kelly**, niece of Michael and Elaine Chin
- **Bernie Pitts • Its Yokota • Connie Sekijima**
- **Greg Ogata • Suma Yagi • Wyman Martin**
- **Marcia Takahashi • Rev. Shigeharu Ago**

Celebrations

- Congratulations to all who are celebrating **August 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 fire victims, friends, communities, and Ohana in Lahaina, Maui, due to the raging wildfires. We pray for all of the people who perished in the fires. May your presence be a source of comfort.

Save the date

Blaine Memorial UMC's
Bazaar

This year's beneficiary:
Maui Relief and Recovery
through UMCOR

October 7, 2023 | 11am-5pm

Come join us for some homemade Japanese food!

BBQ Chicken • Curry • Udon • Homemade Pies • Baked Goods

Check out our Farmers Market!

Produce • Plants

More details to come!

Please contact Lesley Okura or Ron Nobuyama with questions!