

# Worship

## Worship with Blaine!

2 Guatemala Mission Meeting  
3 Thoughts and Prayers



### Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 21, 2024 • 10:00am • Hybrid Worship

What are the “nets” that need to be left behind to follow Jesus?

#### Order of Worship

##### Prelude

*Gather Us In*  
by Marty Haugen  
Kathy Onishi

##### Words of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

##### \*Call to Worship

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

##### \*Opening Hymn

*We Gather Together (UMH #131)*  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

##### Opening Prayer

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

##### First Scripture Reading

*Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (NRSVUE)*  
ヨナ書 3:1-5, 10 (JLB)  
Yuki Sofronas, Barbara Nagaoka

##### Message for the Children

Sai Hanaoka

##### Special Music

*I Will Call upon the Lord*  
By Michael O'Shields  
Blaine Memorial Choir

##### Second Scripture Reading

*Mark 1:14-20 (NRSVUE)*  
マルコの福音書 1:14-20 (JLB)  
Yuki Sofronas, Barbara Nagaoka

##### Sermon

*What is Your Call for Today?*  
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

##### Music of Reflection

*Change My Heart, O God (x2)*  
(TFWS #2152)  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

##### Offertory Invitation

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

##### Doxology

*Praise God from  
Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

##### Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

##### Announcements

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

##### Closing Hymn

*Trust and Obey (UMH #467)*  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

##### Benediction

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

##### Postlude

*Make Me a Servant*  
by Kelly Willard  
Kathy Onishi

##### \*Passing of the Peace

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

##### Zoom Breakout Room

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

Thank you to Miriam Tong for providing today's altar flowers!



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## Sermon Questions

1. How do you respond when you feel a call to change or repent in your life?
2. The fishermen left their nets immediately to follow Jesus. What are the “nets” in your life that may need to be left behind to fully follow Christ?
3. Consider the concept of “immediately” in responding to God’s call. How can we cultivate a sense of urgency in our spiritual journey?

## Daily Lectionary Readings

### Sunday, January 21, 2024: Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-1;  
1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

### Monday, January 22, 2024:

Psalm 46; Genesis 12:1-9;  
1 Corinthians 7:17-24

### Tuesday, January 23, 2024:

Psalm 46; Genesis 45:25-46:7;  
Acts 5:33-42

### Wednesday, January 24, 2024:

Psalm 46; Proverbs 8:1-21;  
Mark 3:13-19a

### Thursday, January 25, 2024:

Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 3:23-29;  
Romans 9:6-18

### Friday, January 26, 2024:

Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 12:28-32;  
Revelation 2:12-17

### Saturday, January 27, 2024:

Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 13:1-5;  
Matthew 8:28-9:1

## Announcements

### Guatemala Mission Trip Info Meeting Today after Service

Are you interested in going on a mission trip this coming August? Do you have a desire to serve others in an underdeveloped country? Are you not sure about going, but want to learn more?

Blaine will again partner with Mission Guatemala and send a mission team to San Andrés Semetabaj, Guatemala. Please join us for a short informational meeting after worship today (1/21) in the Webb Room at 12:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact Bob or Donna Sekijima at b\_d\_sekijima@comcast.net.



### Wednesday Meditation & Prayer • January 24 at 9am



The Wednesday Prayer group continues to meet each week. Our time together consists of a check-in question centering around United Methodist Founder John Wesley’s famous question, “How is it with your soul?” Our time together continues with a few readings from The Upper Room Magazine. Finally, we end our time together with a pastoral prayer. Join us!



### Sexuality and Faith Workshop January 24, 7pm

Join the Reconciling Ministries Task Force Team for a Sexuality and Faith Workshop, Weds., January 24 at 7:00pm on Zoom. We’ll build on knowledge from the last two learning sessions exploring sexual orientation and the Bible. We’ll follow the video/discussion-based curriculum called “Theology, Identity, and Me”. We hope you’ll join us!

Please Contact Lynne Onishi with questions: lynneonishi@gmail.com

### RM Book Study Kickoff - Sunday, February 4

This Spring, the Reconciling Team invites you to participate in a new Book Study Group! We’ll read and discuss *Outside the Lines* by author and Pastor Mihee Kim-Kort. Learn more at our kickoff meeting on Sunday, February 4 after worship service. If you would like to participate in the study but cannot make it to the kickoff meeting, please let us know. Contact Lynne Onishi with questions: lynneonishi@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

- Lucy Sato, 96, a beloved church member, passed away peacefully on December 18, 2023. She lived a full, beautiful life. Our prayers go out to the Sato family and the many relatives of Lucy. She loved her family with all of her heart.

### Those in cancer treatment or remission

- Jennifer Lew • Tony Yasuda • Katie Tat
- Lesley Cunninham • Duong Nguyen
- Quy Phi • Nikki Palmer • Linda Perry
- Chuck Sitkin • Dean Tsuchida

### Those in nursing homes or care facilities

- Dorothy Akiyama

### Those with health concerns, recovery

- Sam Wakasugi • Madison Kelly
- Greg Ogata • Wyman Martin
- Suma Yagi • Connie Sekijima
- Marcia Takahashi • Rev. Shigeharu Ago

### Celebrations

- Congratulations to all who are celebrating January birthdays and anniversaries!
- Congratulations to many of our friends who retired at the end of 2023. Cheers to the many exciting adventures on the horizon.

### 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 members of Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple as they recover from an arsonist who broke into the temple and started a fire on New Year's Eve. We pray as they grieve the loss of historical archives that are more than 120 years old. We are grateful that nobody was hurt in the fire. May Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple receive peace and may their extended community support them with love and encouragement.
- Prayers for the 379 passengers and crew on a Japan Airlines plane which burst into flames on January 2, 2024. The Japan Airlines plane collided into a smaller coastguard aircraft on the runway at Tokyo's Haneda airport. We also pray for the families who grieve the five coastguards who died on the coastguard aircraft. We pray for all of those who are recovering from the trauma and shock of this devastating accident.
- Prayers for our friends, relatives and the people who are rebuilding from a powerful earthquake which struck central Japan on January 1, 2024. We pray for the people who perished in the earthquake, and all of those who are in need of shelter and basic resources while they begin to rebuild.
- Prayers for comfort and relief for those challenged by serious and chronic mental and emotional illnesses. Give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that they may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care.
- Prayers for the people of Israel and Palestine amid the violence and war. We pray for peace and reconciliation for people in the Israel-Hamas War. We pray for those who are dead and for the families who grieve. We pray for peace between the two regions.
- Prayers for our unhoused siblings in our neighborhood, in the City of Seattle, in the state of Washington, and across the country. May we improve systems so that our unhoused can be housed.

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## Afghanistan and Ukrainian Refugee Donation Ministry

At this time, needed items include women's products, toothpaste, personal care items, rice cookers, blenders, mixing bowls, microwave ovens, toasters, mixers, irons, dish sets, towels, and blankets. No to clothes or toys.

Blaine Memorial UMC Collection Hours: Tuesday-Friday between 10:00AM-4:00PM. Call the Church Office at (206) 723-1536 prior to dropping off your items.

South King County Response Center Collection Volunteer Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 10:00AM-2:00PM, 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. Other Questions? Please contact Donna Sekijima at: donnasek@outlook.com and/or Anne Arakaki-Lock at: salock@comcast.net.





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## Anniversary Sunday • Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024

It is such a great joy to celebrate Blaine Memorial UMC's 120th Anniversary! We'll honor our church members and friends who have or will have reached by the end of January, the glorious age of 88 and older by reading their names aloud during worship.

What's a better way than to show our appreciation to our 88+ year old church members than having a 'Blaine' potluck? We are asking folks to contribute! (If you are single, please feel free to bring just one of the items. If you are 88+ years old, you do not need to bring a dish. This celebration is for you!):

- **A-H:** Main dish/dessert
- **I-S:** Main dish/salad
- **T-Z:** Main dish/rice

We hope that you can join us on to joyfully celebrate our 88+ year old church members and loved ones next Sunday!

## Connect with Blaine!

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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 UMC celebrates God's gift of diversity and values the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status, and so much more.

We acknowledge that we live in a world of profound social, economic, and political inequities. As followers of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice and pledge to stand in solidarity with all who are marginalized and oppressed.

### Ministry Staff Team

Senior Pastor  
Associate Pastor  
Choir Director  
Church School Superintendent  
BYG Director  
BYG Associate Directors  
  
Pianist  
Office Assistant  
Bookkeeper

Rev. Karen Yokota Love  
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park  
Eugene Onishi  
Sai Hanaoka  
Lynne Onishi  
Kai Yamamoto  
Kaylee Yokoyama  
Kathy Onishi  
Yuki Sofronas  
Mimi Mar

### Lay Leadership Team

Administrative Board  
Staff Parish Relations  
SPRC Vice-Chair  
Board of Trustees  
Finance Committee  
Lay Leaders  
Annual Conference Delegates

Brad Miyake  
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 left.
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