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Third Sunday in Lent & Communion Sunday

March 3, 2024 • 10:00am **Hybrid Worship** 

What distractions keep you from worshiping God with everything you have?

# **Order of Worship**

#### Prelude

Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice By D.A. White Kathy Onishi

### Welcome of **Grace and Greeting**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### \*Call to Worship

By Hancock & Discipleship Ministries Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### **\*Opening Hymn**

How Great Thou Art UMH #77 (1-2, 4) Kathy and Eugene Onishi

# **Opening Prayer**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

#### **Scripture Reading**

出エジプト記 *20:1-17* Exodus 20:1-17 (CEB) Tsutomu Nagoya & Stephen Sumida

#### Children's Message

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

#### **Choral Anthem**

A Willing Heart By Tom Fettke Blaine Memorial **UMC** Choir

#### **Scripture Reading**

マタイの福音書 16:13-20 (JLB) Matthew 16:13-20 (CEB) Tsutomu Nagoya & Stephen Sumida

#### Sermon

Proclaim Your Faith! Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### **Hymn of Reflection**

What Wondrous Love Is This UMH #292 (1-3) Kathy Onishi

#### **Holy Communion**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

& Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

#### Introduction to the Offering

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

#### \*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow **UMH #94** Kathy Onishi

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

#### **Announcements**

Rev. Karen and Friends

#### \*Closing Hymn

Be Thou My Vision **UMH #451** Kathy and Eugene Onishi

#### \*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### Postlude

Taste and See By James E. Moore Kathy Onishi

#### Zoom **Breakout Room**

Dale Kaneko











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#### **Sermon Questions**

How do you think Jesus' arrival and speculation on His identity in uncertain territory influence the disciples' responses to Jesus' questions (Matthew 16:13,15)? How might these factors influence Peter's expectations for the Messiah?

Jesus turns to the disciples and asks them, "Who do you say that I am?" How would you answer this question? How has your answer to this question changed throughout your faith journey?

The names and affirmations we receive can shape our identity and self-worth, as well as our callings. When have you received a name or affirmation that encouraged you in your journey of faith?

What are the "mountaintop" moments of your faith when you felt like God was close? Have you ever experienced spiritual euphoria? If so, what was that like? How do you anchor yourself in those memories when life gets hard?

#### **Daily Lectionary Readings**

Sunday, March 3, 2024:

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

Monday, March 4, 2024: Tuesday, March 5, 2024: Wednesday, March 6, 2024: Psalm 84; 1 Kings 6:1-4, 21-22; Psalm 84; Hebrews 9:23-28; Psalm 84; Ezra 6:1-16; 1 Corinthians 3:10-23 2 Chronicles 29:1-11, 16-19 Mark 11:15-19 Thursday, March 7, 2024: Saturday, March 9, 2024: Friday, March 8, 2024: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Genesis 9:8-17; Ephesians 1:3-6 Daniel 12:5-13; Ephesians 1:7-14 Numbers 20:22-29; John 3:1-13

#### **Announcements**



# Easter Lily Order Form Please print very clearly

I would like to order \_\_ (qty.) Easter lily plants for the altar on Easter Sunday at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.

Your Name:	
Phone:	
In loving memory of:	
In celebration of:	
In honor of:	
I have enclosed \$ (\$12 per plant) (Checks or online payments preferred. Please note "Easter Lily" in the memo.)	

#### **How to Order:**

- Complete the order form below. The cost for each plant is \$12. You can submit your form by Sunday, March 24.
- Send to Blaine Memorial UMC, ATTN: Easter Lily, 3001 24th Avenue South, Seattle, WA 98144.
- · Bring form to the church office.
- Or, place this form in the offering plates by Sunday, March 24, 2024.



#### **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

- Aida Kozu, 104, a beloved church member, passed away peacefully on February 12, 2024 in Seattle, WA. She is survived by her three children: John (married to Darlene Eng-Kozu) of Seattle, Patricia of New York City, and Michael of Boston. Aida is survived by her grandchild and church member, Ryan Kozu (married to Marina Furuta-Kozu) and great-grandson Joshua. She is survived by many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. A graveside service will be held for immediate family members. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Aida's memory to Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, Project R.I.G.H.T., or your favorite cause.
- 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 Hayasaka and Sato families. Lucy is survived by her children, David (Terry), Dean, Stan, Joan, Richard (Trinh), Sam (Janet), Mike (Joanne); thirteen grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren. She loved her family with all of her heart. The immediate family will hold a private burial service in March in accordance with Lucy's request. She will be laid to rest joining her late husband, Robert Sato at the Washington Memorial Cemetery. Remembrances may be made to: Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, Nisei Veterans Committee or a charity of your choice.

#### Those in cancer treatment or remission

- Jennifer Lew Tony Yasuda Katie Tat
- 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

- · Sumi Yoshioka · Pui Chung Ngao Wong
- Madison Kelly Greg Ogata Sam Wakasugi
- Suma Yagi Wyman Martin
- · Marcia Takahashi · Rev. Shigeharu Ago

#### Celebrations

- Congratulations on yesterday's Sukiyaki Benefit
   Fundraiser! This ministry to the community was a
   marvelous success as we meeted and greeted old
   friends and made new ones. Riverton Park UMC Migrant
   Support Services is this year's beneficiary. Thank you
   for raising funds to help the migrants who are living
   outside of the church and thank you for the abunance of
   blankets! Thank you to all of the volunteers who put their
   faith and heart into this ministry event!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating March 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 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.
- Prayers for the 82nd year of the EO 9066 Day of Remembrance on February 19, 2024, when our nation was gripped with wartime fears and uncertainty and our ancestors were assembled and sent to incarceration camps. Let us learn from past errors and know that injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. May we be moved to be allies, to speak up and speak out, and to ensure that such an injustice is not repeated for any group of marginalized people.
- 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.



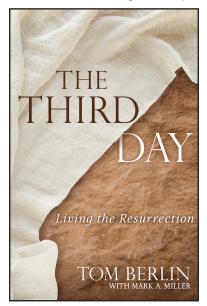
#### Wednesday Meditation & Prayer · March 6 at 9am

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!

#### Lent Book Studies

The Third Day: Living the Resurrection Lenten Book Study

This year's All Church Lenten study is *The Third Day: Living the Resurrection* by Tom Berlin and Mark A. Miller. Just us in this Zoom study on Tuesdays at 7:00PM, which is being facilitated by Rev. Mia MiKyung Park and Rev. Karen Yokota Love. The link will be emailed prior to the meeting date. We will also meet on the remaining Tuesdays: 3/5, 3/12, and 3/19 to discuss each chapter.



The Office is selling The Third Day: Living the Resurrection books for \$14.00 and the Leader Guide is \$12.00. You are welcome to buy the book in the Office and read with your small groups.

In The Third Day: Living the Resurrection, Tom Berlin uses his storytelling gifts and scriptural understanding to connect readers to the experiences of individuals around Jesus in his final days. The focus is on new life and redemption rather than loss.

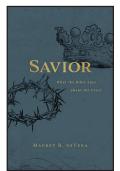
Come and journey with characters like Peter, Mary Magdalene, and Thomas as they experience the despair of losing Jesus and the surprise and joy that awaits them in the resurrection. This study will explore events around these characters, along with Paul and the disciples at Emmaus, and how the resurrection transforms their lives.

#### **NJAUMC Lenten Book Study** continues until March 25!

Join Rev. John Miyahara (UMC/ US Navy Chaplain), Rev. Brian Lee (Simpson UMC), and members of the Japanese American United Methodist Caucus congregations in a 6-week Lenten book study. We are reading Savior: What the Bible Says about the Cross by Magrey DeVega. Books are \$17.00 in the Church Office. Please note that reading the book isn't

required! Join us tomorrow, Monday,

March 4 from 4:30-6:00 PM (Hawaii), 6:30-8:00 PM (Pacific) and 7:30-9:00 PM (Mountain). The study will conclude on Mon., March 25.



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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.

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Ways to Give "Every person must bring a gift in proportion to God's blessings upon you." (Deut. 16: 17)

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- 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.

