

Order of Worship

*Processional Prelude

Hosanna, Laud Hosanna By Hofkapelle Kathy Onishi

*Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Call to Worship

By Shuman Rev. Karen Yokota Love

***Opening Hymn**

Hosanna, Laud Hosanna UMH #278 Kathy & Eugene Onishi

Opening Prayer

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

First Scripture Reading

マルコの福音書 11:1-11 (JLB) Mark 11:1-11 (CEB) Yuki Sofronas & Jill Fluvog

Children's Message

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Special Music

Triumphal Entry
By Drennan/Williams
Blaine Memorial Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Second Scripture Reading

ピリピ人への手紙 2:5-11 (JLB) Philippians 2:5-11 (NRSVUE) Yuki Sofronas & Jill Fluvog

Sermon

The Power of Humility, Servanthood, and Obedience Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Hymn of Reflection

More Like You TFWS #2167 Kathy and Eugene Onishi

Introduction to the Offering

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Offertory Music

The Walk to Calvary
By N. Anderson
Blaine Memorial Choir

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94

*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Announcements

Rev. Karen and Friends

*Closing Hymn

The Old Rugged Cross UMH #504 Kathy & Eugene Onishi

*Benediction

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Postlude

Lamb of God By T. Paris Kathy Onishi

*Passing of the Peace

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

Zoom Breakout Room

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn

Worship with Blaine!

- Order Easter Lilies!
- 2 Apply for Scholarships!
- 4 Beacon News!



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Sermon Questions

How does the humility of Christ, as described in this passage, challenge our modern understanding of power and authority and our cultural values of individualism and self-promotion?

Reflect on the implications of Jesus' obedience unto death on a cross. What does this reveal about the nature of God's love and redemption?

Reflect on the significance of Jesus taking on the form of a servant. How does this impact our understanding of leadership within the Christian community?

How can we practically apply the principles found in this passage to our relationships, workplaces, and communities?

Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday, March 24, 2024: Liturgy of the Palms

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 • Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16

Monday, March 25, 2024: Monday of Holy Week

Isaiah 42:1-9 • Psalm 36:5-11 • Hebrews 9:11-15 • John 12:1-11

Thursday, March 28, 2024: Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14 • Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 • 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 • John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Sunday, March 24, 2024: Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a • Psalm 31:9-16 • Philippians 2:5-11 • Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39, (40-47)

Tuesday, March 26, 2024: Tuesday of Holy Week

Isaiah 49:1-7 • Psalm 71:1-14 • 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 • John 12:20-36

Friday, March 29, 2024: Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 • Psalm 22 • Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 • John 18:1-19:42

Monday, March 25, 2024: Annunciation of the Lord

Isaiah 7:10-14 • Psalm 45 or Psalm 40:5-10 • Hebrews 10:4-10 • Luke 1:26-38

Wednesday, March 27, 2024: Wednesday of Holy Week

Isaiah 50:4-9a • Psalm 70 • Hebrews 12:1-3 • John 13:21-32

Saturday, March 30, 2024: Holy Saturday

Job 14:1-14 or Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24 • Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16 • 1 Peter 4:1-8 • Matthew 27:57-66 or John 19:38-42

Announcements



Order Easter Lilies, now! • **Due Today!**

Ways to Order:

- Scan the QR code on the left to download the order form. The cost for each plant is \$12. Completed forms due: **March 24.**
- Send to Blaine Memorial UMC, ATTN: Easter Lily, 3001 24th Avenue S, Seattle, WA 98144.
- · Bring form to the church office.
- Place this form in the offering plates by Sunday, March 24, 2024.

Educational Scholarships 2024, Apply Now! • Due May 15, 2024

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 blessed to offer the following scholarships:

- · Vera Ing Scholarship
- · Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church Scholarship
- Yasuda Scholarship

- · William S. Yorozu Scholarship
- · Robert S. Sato Scholarship

Applications are available through emailing BlaineUMCScholarships@gmail.com or through the church office. All scholarships will consider, but are not limited to, elements such as grades (if applicable), personal essay, church participation and finances.

Applications and two (2) letters of recommendation must be received no later than May 15, 2024 for consideration. We are looking forward to applicants excited about pursuing their education.



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

- Fusako Akimoto, 91, a beloved church member, passed away peacefully on March 23, 2024. Fusako is survived by daughter Kim Akimoto and son Randy Akimoto; sister Luana Yoshino, sister-in-law Alice Uyeda, and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.
- Dorothy Akiyama, 88, a beloved church member passed away peacefully on March 7, 2024. Dorothy is survived by daughter Pamela Akiyama and daughter Karen Williams (George); grandchildren Kyle and Jill Williams; sisters Ruth Schargus and Ida Price. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.
- Margie Smith, 99, a beloved church member, passed away peacefully on December 25, 2023. Margie is survived by daughter Anita Kuroiwa-Schiff (Stan); grandson Dustin Paul Kuroiwa; and her little dog, Bella; in addition to an extended family too numerous to list. A public Celebration of Life service was held on Saturday, March 23, 2024 at Blaine Memorial UMC. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.

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 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 to Rev. Mia MiKyung Park who recently received the call to be appointed to Redeemer UMC in Kingston, WA on July 1, 2024. We celebrate her new appointment and pray for Rev. Mia as she begins the transition process of departing from Blaine and moving into a new ministry context.
- Congratulations on the success of Blaine's Sukiyaki
 Benefit Fundraiser! 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
 Riverton Park UMC and thank you for the abundance of
 blankets. The blankets were blessed during worship last
 Sunday and delivered to the migrants on Friday,



Wednesday Meditation & Prayer March 27 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!

March 22, 2024. They were ecstatic upon receiving them. 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 the 160 detainees inside the Northwest Detention Center who are participating in a hunger strike. They are protesting the inhumane conditions and delayed legal proceedings following the suicide death of 61-year-old Charles Leo Daniel, originally from Trinidad and Tobago. Immigrant rights groups La Resistencia and Tsuru for Solidarity have set up an encampment outside of the detention center. They are committed to staying at the encampment and will continue to protest in solidarity until our elected officials finally take substantive action to close NWDC for good. These activist groups are also offering support to detainees as they are released. Thank you to the members at Blaine Memorial who have provided sweaters, coats and backpacks for the detainees who are currently being released.
- 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 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.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29: COLLABORATIVE GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP WITH JAPANESE BAPTIST CHURCH

This year, Blaine Memorial UMC is invited to the annual collaborative Good Friday Service with Japanese Baptist Church (JBC) at 7:00PM.

JBC is hosting Blaine Memorial UMC with the annual tradition of worshiping together on Good Friday beginning with a simple soup supper meal at 6:00PM, followed with worship at 7:00PM.

Join us as we remember Jesus' final words and actions before being crucified. We'll remember Jesus' love for us. JBC is located at 160 Broadway, Seattle, WA 98122.

We are organizing a carpool from Blaine Memorial UMC to JBC due to limited parking. Please email the Church Office at blaineoffice@yahoo.com by Thursday (3/28), if you would like a ride. We will meet on Friday (3/29) at 5:00PM in the Blaine parking lot.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31: EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE JOIN US ON SUNDAY, MARCH 31, TO CELEBRATE THE RISEN CHRIST!

Easter Breakfast: Join us for Easter Breakfast in the LAC at 8:30AM as the Blaine Youth Group (BYG) will prepare, cook, and serve the breakfast. There will be two opportunities to eat: 8:30AM and after worship!

Flowering of the Cross: One of the most meaningful traditions that we celebrate on Easter Sunday is the Flowering of the Cross. It symbolizes new life in Christ. We invite all who are attending Easter Sunday worship (in person) to bring flowers from your garden (trimmed to a short stem). These flowers will be placed on the cross as you enter the Sanctuary for Easter worship.

Easter Egg Hunt: The Church School invites children to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt in the Courtyard (weather permitting). Please remind children to bring their own baskets, and feel free to invite your grandchildren, friends, and neighbors to join us for the hunt!

FINAL NIGHT! NJAUMC Lenten Book Study ends on Monday, March 25!

You're invited to join Rev. John Miyahara, Rev. Brian Lee, and members of the National Japanese American United Methodist Caucus (NJAUMC) congregations for the final night of the 6-week Lenten Zoom book study.

Author and Theologian Magrey DeVega will be present to converse with the students and answer any questions! The group has been reading Savior: What the Bible Says about the Cross by Magrey DeVega. Please note that reading the book isn't required and you can come as you are to meet new people. Join us for our final meeting tomorrow, Monday, March 25 from 4:30-6:00 PM (Hawaii), 6:30-8:00 PM (Pacific) and 7:30-9:00 PM (Mountain).

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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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- Mobile: Download the free "Realm Connect" app. Use your sign-in and click GIVING. Contact the Church Office, blaineoffice@yahoo.com. for a Realm sign-in.
- 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.

