

# Worship 美拝 Second Sunday of Easter April 7, 2024 · 10:00am · Hybrid Worship

**Worship with Blaine! 2** Announcements 2 Thoughts and Prayers

# **Order of Worship**

#### **Prelude**

Gather Us In Marty Haugen Kathy Onishi

# Welcome of **Grace and Greeting**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

# \*Call to Worship

Written by P. Mitchell, Discipleship Ministries Rev. Karen Yokota Love

# \*Opening Hymn

Blest Be the Tie That Binds UMH #557 (Verses 1,3-4) Kathy & Eugene Onishi

# **Opening Prayer**

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

# **Scripture Reading**

使徒の働き 4:32-35 Acts 4:32-35 (JLB, CEB) Tsutomu Nagova Michelle Vaughan

# Children's Message

Rev. Mia MiKyung Park

# **Prayers of the People**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

# **Scripture Reading**

マタイの福音書 20:19-31 John 20:19-31 (JLB, CEB) Tsutomu Nagoya Michelle Vaughan

#### Sermon

Without a Doubt Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### **Hymn of Reflection**

Grace Alone (TFWS #2162) 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 Yokota Love and Friends

#### \*Closing Hymn

Easter People, Raise Your Voices (UMH #304) Kathy Onishi

# \*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

# **Postlude**

In Christ Alone Keith Getty and Stuart Townend Kathy Onishi

#### **Zoom Breakout Room**

Rev. Dr. Jeney Park-Hearn



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# **Sermon Questions**

Do you find it hard to believe certain things without seeing proof or evidence? Share some examples of this from your life.

Read John 20:24-29. How would you describe Thomas' attitude, both before and after Jesus appeared to him?

What can we learn from Jesus' encounter with Thomas that can help us respond to people who have doubts?

Read John 20:29-31. How can someone who has not seen the evidence that Thomas and the other disciples saw come to faith in Jesus as the risen Lord and Savior?

# **Daily Lectionary Readings**

#### Sunday, April 7, 2024: Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31

<b>Monday, April 8, 2024:</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 9, 2024:</b>	<b>Wednesday, April 10, 2024:</b>
Psalm 135; Daniel 3:1-30; 1 John 2:3-11	Psalm 135; Daniel 6:1-28; 1 John 2:12-17	Psalm 135; Isaiah 26:1-15; Mark 12:18-27
<b>Thursday, April 11, 2024:</b> Psalm 4; Daniel 9:1-19; 1 John 2:18-25	Friday, April 12, 2024: Psalm 4; Daniel 10:2-19; 1 John 2:26-28	<b>Saturday, April 13, 2024:</b> Psalm 4; Acts 3:1-10; Luke 22:24-30

#### **Announcements**

# Special Charge Conference for Yoshi Kuramoto • Tonight at 7pm

A Special Charge Conference Meeting with *Ad Board* and *SPRC* will be on Sunday, April 7, 2024 at 7:00pm on **Zoom**. The agenda and purpose of this Special Charge Conference is to vote on the candidacy for ordained ministry of Yoshiya Joshua Kuramoto. The Zoom link will be emailed directly to Ad Board and SPRC members.

# Wednesday Meditation & Prayer •April 10 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!

#### Baptism Class in the Webb Room • Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 11:45am

Join us for a Baptism Class on Sunday (4/14) at 11:45AM in the Webb Room. Rev. Karen and Rev. Mia will facilitate this session, aimed at those interested in understanding the significance of baptism and exploring membership at Blaine Memorial UMC. This is an excellent opportunity for individuals seeking to deepen their understanding of baptism and its role in our faith community. Please contact Rev. Karen (rev.karenyokotalove@gmail.com) or Rev. Mia (miablaine2020@gmail.com) for more information.





#### Bob Ross Night · April 20, 7pm

Join the Blaine Memorial UMC Innovation Hub for an evening of fellowship, painting, and relaxing while we watch Bob Ross on Saturday, April 20 from 7:00-9:00 PM in the Social Hall!

We will provide some light snacks and beverages as well as painting supplies and materials! Please make sure to note any allergies or dietary restrictions on this form. All are welcome.

Please email Lynne Onishi at lynneonishi@gmail.com with any questions. We can't wait to see you there!



Scan the QR code or use this link to sign up: https://forms.gle/ A1XKLFMdnRAJSWox7



# **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

- · Adelaida "Aida" Corsilles, 79, passed away peacefully on March 31, 2024. Aida is survived by her children: Rev. Dione Corsilles (Sarah); Michael Corsilles (Eunice); Michelle Ambrosio (Paul); and Jay Corsilles; seven grandchildren and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. Aida attended Blaine Memorial UMC while Rev. Dione was serving this church and in the process, made many friends. Aida's viewing will be on Thursday, April 11, 2024, from 4:00PM-8:00PM with a service at 6:30PM. Aida's Celebration of Life Service will be on Friday April 12, 2024 at 10:00AM followed by a procession to Washington Memorial Cemetery for a graveside service. All events will be at Beacon United Methodist Church located at 7301 Beacon Ave S. Seattle, WA 98108. All are welcome to wear a favorite hat, as Aida loved hats. Come in your best Easter outfits! In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.
- 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. A public Celebration of Life service will be on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at 11:00AM followed by a lunch reception. 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
- Duong Nguyen Quy Phi
- · Nikki Palmer · Linda Perry
- · Chuck Sitkin · Dean Tsuchida
- Katie Tat

#### Those with health concerns, recovery

- · Dick Nagaoka · 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, 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 April 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 residents in New York City as they recover from a recent earthquake.
- 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.

#### Senninbari Sewing · April 14 after Service

Thank you to the Blaine members who volunteered at the Northwest Detention Center during the recent Tsuru for Solidarity encampment. Tsuru for Solidarity is a non-violent, direct action project of Japanese American social justice advocates working to end detention sites (locally, NWDC in Tacoma). We stand on the moral authority of Japanese Americans who were incarcerated during World War II to say, "Stop Repeating History."

In preparation for the next direct action to close NWDC, members of Tsuru will be making senninbari, or 1000 stitch sashes, for Tsuru members and others to wear. Senninbari were traditionally sewn by Japanese women for soldiers going off to war to watch over and protect them. During World War II, Issei mothers sewed senninbari for their Nisei sons who volunteered or were drafted into the military. We hope that the senninbari that we sew will also offer protection and support for those engaging in Tsuru's direct actions.

We will start sewing our senninbari in the Blaine social hall after church on Sunday, April 14th. We invite members of the Blaine congregation to join us. All materials and hands-on instruction will be provided. We plan to sew for a couple of hours, so that everyone can get a start on their sashes. Then people will be able to take home their kits and work on them on their own.

If you have questions or are interested in participating but not able to come on the 14th, please contact Barbara Yasui at daruma52@gmail.com.

#### 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 and Lucy 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.

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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

# Lay Leadership Team

Administrative Board Staff Parish Relations Board of Trustees Finance Committee Lay Leaders Annual Conference Delegates Rev. Karen Yokota Love
Rev. Mia MiKyung Park
Eugene Onishi
Sai Hanaoka
Lynne Onishi
Kai Yamamoto
Kaylee Yokoyama
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- Mail: Mail a check to: Blaine Memorial UMC at 3001 24th Ave S. Seattle, WA 98144.