# Worship Sixth Sunday after Pentecost June 30, 2024 · 10:00am · Hybrid Worship

## Worship with Blaine!

- 2 Celebrate Pride Sunday!
- 3 Thoughts and Prayers
- 4 Register for Vacation Bible School, now!



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### **Order of Worship**

#### **Prelude**

Kathy Onishi

# Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota-Love

#### \*Call to Worship

Dale H. Watanabe

#### \*Opening Hymn

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

(TFWS #2120)

Kathy & Eugene Onishi

#### **Opening Prayer**

Dale H. Watanabe

#### **Scripture Reading**

マルコの福音書 5:21-43 Mark 5:21-43 (CEB)

Tsutomu Nagoya, Dale H. Watanabe

#### Children's Message

Sai Hanaoka

#### **Prayers of the People**

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

# Second Scripture Reading

詩篇 139

Psalm 139 (NIV)

Tsutomu Nagoya, Dale H. Watanabe

#### Sermon

**Love Never Ceases** 

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### **Hymn of Reflection**

For Everyone Born Kathy & Eugene Onishi

## Introduction to the Offering

Dale H. Watanabe

#### \*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

(UMH #94)

Kathy Onishi

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

Dale H. Watanabe

#### **Announcements**

Rev. Karen and Friends

#### \*Closing Hymn

We Are Called

(TFWS #2172) Kathy Onishi & Eugene

Onishi

#### \*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### **Postlude**

Kathy Onishi

#### **Zoom Breakout Room**

Dale Kaneko

Thank you to Miriam Tong for providing today's altar flower arrangement.



# Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church









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#### **Sermon Questions**

How has God used disease and death in your life to strengthen your faith in God?

How are you reminded by God that you are fearfully and wonderfully made?

What do these stories reveal about the interplay between fear and faith in a relationship with Jesus? How are fear and faith present in your own relationship with Christ?

In the past week, name three events that occurred that you are grateful for.

#### **Daily Lectionary**

Sunday, June 30, 2024:

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 and Psalm 130; Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15, 2:23-24 or Lamentations 3:22-33 and Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

Monday, July 1, 2024: Semi-continuous: Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50; 1 Samuel 23:14-18; 2 Corinthians 8:16-24

Complementary: Psalm 88;

Leviticus 21:1-15; 2 Corinthians 8:16-24

Thursday, July 4, 2024: Semi-continuous: Psalm 48; 2 Samuel 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 4:8-13 Complementary: Psalm 123;

Jeremiah 7:1-15; 1 Corinthians 4:8-13 Tuesday, July 2, 2024:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50; 1 Samuel 31:1-13; 2 Corinthians

9:1-5

Complementary: Psalm 88;

Leviticus 15:19-31; 2 Corinthians 9:1-5

Friday, July 5, 2024:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 48; 2 Samuel 3:1-12; 2 Corinthians 10:7-11 Complementary: Psalm 123;

Jeremiah 7:16-26; 2 Corinthians 10:7-11 Wednesday, July 3, 2024:

Semi-continuous: Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50; 1 Chronicles 10:1-14; Mark

9:14-29

Complementary: Psalm 88; 2 Kings

20:1-11; Mark 9:14-29

Saturday, July 6, 2024: Semi-continuous: Psalm 48; 2 Samuel 3:31-38; Matthew 8:18-22 Complementary: Psalm 123;

Jeremiah 7:27-34; Matthew 8:18-22

#### **Announcements**



Pride Worship Sunday, Seattle First UMC • June 30 at 10am

Every year during Seattle Pride, First UMC hosts other local reconciling churches for a worship service and opportunity to march in the parade and serve parade-goers! See more about the event here: https://firstchurchseattle.org/pride/



Scan the QR code to sign up!



Meditation & Prayer · Wednesdays 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!



Asian Camp (Incoming 10th- 2nd year college) · July 14-19, 2024

The National Japanese American United Methodist Caucus hosts both the Junior High Camp and Asian American Summer Camps, two summer camps aimed at helping our youth nurture and grow their faith. Jr. High Camp (incoming 6th to 9th graders) just finished and our youth had a great time! This event will be held at Camp Gilmore (26801 Dorothy Drive, Calabasas, CA 91302). For inquiries, please email blainememyouth@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

- Roy Kirita, 101, passed away peacefully June 10, 2024, after a long, full life. He was preceded in death by his wife Madge and son Robert. He is survived by son Michael Kirita (Michele Wilkoff). The family celebrated Roy's life with a private burial service at Evergreen Washelli. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial UMC.
- Constance "Connie" Sekijima (née Nishitani), 102, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 17, 2024, surrounded by her family. Predeceased by her husband, Hideki, she is survived by her daughter Sally Sekijima and son Dale Sekijima (Nancy); granddaughter Becky; extended family members Sammy and Elda and many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial UMC and/or Highland Park UMC in Spokane, WA.
- Richard "Dick" Nagaoka, 83, a beloved church member, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 29, 2024. Dick was surrounded by his family. He lived a full, beautiful life. Dick is survived by his wife Barbara; children: Stacy Nagaoka Shirouzu (Tony Zapata), Kristen (Mark) Hatate and Pamela Shimer. Dick is also survived by his grandchildren Jarrett Shirouzu, Sammi (Harrison) Wirth, Rick (Emily) Hatate, Mitchell Hatate, Luke Shimer, two great-grandchildren Malia Wirth and Olivia Hatate: sisters Ruth Shigemi and Jane Yamagiwa, cousin Joyce (Russ) Akiyama; in-laws Jerry (June) Akita and Corky (Jim) Kozu and numerous nieces and nephews. He loved his family with all of his heart. A public Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 3:00 PM at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Please wear casual attire. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial UMC.
- Rev. Dr. Hiroyasu Iwabuchi, 83, a beloved clergy member of the United Methodist Church, passed away suddenly on Monday, April 15, 2024. He was at home in Japan with his wife, Hiroko. He is survived by his beloved spouse, Hiroko Iwabuchi in Japan, and their two children: Maya Iwabuchi (Matthias) in Scotland, and Luke Iwabuchi in Japan. Rev. Hiro served at Blaine Memorial UMC for 21 years. Once he retired on June 30, 2020, he continued to meet with Blaine's Nichigo congregation for monthly Zoom Bible Studies where he would teach from Japan. Rev. Hiro embodied a deep prophetic faith and had vast knowledge of the Bible. Throughout his ordained career, he served in Yokohama, Japan, West LA UMC in Los Angeles, and Japanese American United Church in New York, NY.

#### Those in cancer treatment or remission

- · Jerolyn Yoshihara · Jennifer Lew · Duong Nguyen
- · Quy Phi · Nikki Palmer · Chuck Sitkin
- Dean Tsuchida Katie Tat

#### Those with health concerns, recovery

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

#### Celebrations

- Congratulations on the birth of Sage Yoneko Shimon, born on June 14, 2024. She is the daughter of Stacey and Pierson Shiman and the lucky grandparents are Brian and Lesley Okura. She also is blessed by Auntie Carrie Okura. Congratulations to the Okura Family as they celebrate the newest blessing to their family!
- Congratulations to our new confirmands Joshua Akiyama and Emma Hearn.
- Congratulations to our graduates for the Class of 2024: Aidan Lew, Allyson Sofronas, Mariko Ronan, and Kai Yamamoto.
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating June birthdays and anniversaries!

#### For our United Methodist Church

- Prayers for our Jr. High Camp campers, counselors, and chaperones who just returned from Jr. High Camp late last night. We are incredibly grateful for our youth to have the opportunity and support to grow deeper with Christ and to make new friends.
- We pray for each person and the delegates who will attend the 2024 Western Jurisdictional Conference which will be held from July 10-13, 2024, in Spokane, Washington. They will gather to consider what values we share as a jurisdiction, celebrate retirements, possibly elect new bishops to serve in our jurisdiction, and consider legislation that moves us toward living into our values and vision.

#### For our community, nation, and world

- Prayers for everyone celebrating Pride Month and for full inclusion of the LGBTQIA+ community. We pray for gratitude for the endless blessings that we see, feel, and know on our journeys of life. We celebrate the rich diversity of your creation — every beautiful body, every shade of skin, every expression of love.
- 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.



Register Now! Vacation Bible School 2024, **Four Sundays** 

July 28

August 4

August II

August 18

Theme: Operation Restoration - Mending God's World

Time: 10am to12 pm, including lunch Registration: \$20 per Sunday per child

Location: BMUMC Church School Classrooms Email: blainevbs@gmail.com to enroll now!



Thank you for your Blaine Benefit Bazaar Nominations! The Church Office received your Blaine Benefit Bazaar Nominations for a beneficiary for the upcoming autumn bazaar! Thank you for your submissions. The nomination forms will be reviewed by the Benefit Bazaar Committee and then will be approved by Ad Board. Stay tuned!

Save the date: Blaine Memorial UMC's Annual Bazaar will be on Saturday, October 5, 2024.

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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**

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