



# Worship 崇拜

## Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024 • 10:00am • Hybrid Worship

### Worship with Blaine!

- 2 Enroll now for Vacation Bible School!
- 2 Blaine Youth Group Merch Pre-Sale!
- 4 Liberation Obon!

### Order of Worship

#### Prelude

**Would I Have Answered  
When You Called**  
*By Stuempfle, Jr./Williams*  
Kathy Onishi

#### Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### \*Call to Worship

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### VBS Scripture Reading

出エジプト記 16:1-36  
**Exodus 16:1-36 (CEB)**  
Tsutomu Nagoya, Kai Yamamoto

#### VBS Children's Storytime

Stephen "JiJi" Sumida

#### Song of Inspiration

**Gather Us In**  
*(TFWS #2236)*  
Kathy and Eugene Onishi

#### Prayers of the People

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### Special Music

**Called Me Higher**  
*By Leslie Jordan*  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi,  
Miriam Tong and Michelle Vaughan

#### Second Scripture Reading

ハネの福音書 6:1-21  
**John 6:1-21 (CEB)**  
Tsutomu Nagoya, Kaylee Yokoyama

#### Sermon

*An Imaginative Faith*  
Lynne Onishi

#### Song of Reflection

**What Gift Can I Bring**  
*(UMH #87)*  
Kathy and Eugene Onishi

#### Introduction to the Offering

Kai Yamamoto

#### \*Doxology

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

#### Prayer of Dedication

Kaylee Yokoyama

#### Announcements

Rev. Karen and Friends

#### \*Closing Song

**The Compassion Hymn**  
*By Getty/Getty/Townend*  
Eugene and Kathy Onishi

#### \*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

#### Postlude

Kathy Onishi



#### [blaineonline.org](https://blaineonline.org)

Scan the QR code to visit  
[blaineonline.org](https://blaineonline.org) and view this week's  
bulletin and announcements!

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



## Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church



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## Sermon Questions

- How can you let imagination guide you in your faith each day?
- What might God be asking you to offer for the transformation of the Church and the world?

## Daily Lectionary

**Sunday, July 28, 2024**

2 Samuel 11:1-15 and Psalm 14; 2 Kings 4:42-44 and Psalm 145:10-18; Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21

**Monday, July 29, 2024**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Samuel 11:14-21; Philippians 4:10-20 • Complementary: Psalm 111; Genesis 18:1-15; Philippians 4:10-20

**Tuesday, July 30, 2024**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Samuel 11:22-27; Romans 15:22-33 • Complementary: Psalm 111; Exodus 24:1-11; Romans 15:22-33

**Wednesday, July 31, 2024**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 37:12-22; 2 Chronicles 9:29-31; Mark 6:35-44 • Complementary: Psalm 111; Isaiah 25:6-10a; Mark 6:35-44

**Thursday, August 01, 2024**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 51:1-12; Exodus 32:19-26a; 1 Corinthians 11:17-22 • Complementary: Psalm 78:23-29; Exodus 12:33-42; 1 Corinthians 11:17-22

**Friday, August 02, 2024**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 51:1-12; Joshua 23:1-16; 1 Corinthians 11:27-34 • Complementary: Psalm 78:23-29; Exodus 12:43-13:2; 1 Corinthians 11:27-34

**Saturday, August 03, 2024**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 51:1-12; Judges 6:1-10; Matthew 16:5-12 • Complementary: Psalm 78:23-29; Exodus 13:3-10; Matthew 16:5-12

## Announcements



**VBS BEGINS TODAY! Vacation Bible School 2024, Four Sundays**

**July 28**

**August 4**

**August 11**

**August 18**

Scan this QR code now to register for VBS 2024!



**Theme:** Operation Restoration - Mending God's World

**Time:** 10am to 12pm, including lunch

**Location:** BMUMC Church School Classrooms

**Registration:** \$20 per Sunday per child, Additional Campers from same family \$15. We will register your kiddo on the day of VBS. If you have not registered it is still not too late. We will continue to accept new registrations all the way up to the last day of VBS Sunday! Visit [blaineonline.org](http://blaineonline.org) for registration!

**Email:** [blainevbs@gmail.com](mailto:blainevbs@gmail.com) to enroll now!



**BYG Merch Presale, Now to August 11**

Thank you for supporting BYG's Camping Ministries! We will be taking presale orders for our new sweatshirts, caps, and tote bags (and T-shirts) until Sunday, August 11th at 11:59pm. Scan the QR code for the order form and more information! T-Shirts are \$30 each, Hoodies are \$40 each, Caps are \$30 each, and Tote bags are \$25 each.





## 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

- **Ted Takashi Yasuda**, 101, passed away on June 24, 2024, at home, surrounded by his family. Predeceased by his wife Margaret, he is survived by his son Rod Yasuda (Roxanne Marie), daughters Beverly Ikeda (Thom) and Roxanne Guion (Eric). He was blessed by seven grandchildren (including Collin Ikeda) and four great-grand children. A private memorial service will be held at a future date. Remembrances may be made to the Yasuda Family Scholarship, in care of Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.
- **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.
- **George Kaminishi**, 97, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at his home in Seattle, WA. He is survived by his wife, Laura, who he was married to for 70 years. George is also survived by his children, Karen, Kris (Allan), Amy, and grandchildren, Brian, Kevin, Clark and Grant. A private burial service was held on Friday, July 12, 2024 at Sunset Hills Memorial Park and Funeral Home.

### 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 to Lynne Onishi as she embarks on a new chapter in her life. Lynne will attend Claremont School of Theology to pursue her calling. We are grateful for her ministry at Blaine Memorial UMC, her work with our youth, young adults, and to all the people in our community!
- We are celebrating our Asian American Camp campers and chaperones who arrived home safely from Calabasas, CA after a long journey home with airline delays. We are grateful that everyone had a great time growing deeper with God this year! Praise God!
- We give thanks and praise for the message given by the Tigard UMC youth and for their ministry last Sunday, July 21, 2024. We give thanks and praise to Rev. Jeff Lowry for his leadership with the Tigard youth!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating July birthdays and anniversaries!

### For our United Methodist Church

- Congratulations to two newly elected bishops in the Western Jurisdiction: Bishop Kristin Stoneking (from the California-Nevada Conference) and Bishop Sandy Olewine (from the California-Pacific Conference). Both Bishop Stoneking and Bishop Olewine were elected at the Western Jurisdictional United Methodist Conference. Delegates, bishops, and many volunteers convened in Spokane, WA from July 10-13, 2024.
- We continue to pray for the United Methodist Church as it journeys through a time of significant change as we navigate new ways to live into that new reality.

### For our community, nation, and world

- Prayers for the United States of America as we embark on a final 100-day stretch of a rapidly evolving 2024 presidential election race between former President Donald Trump and Vice President Kamala Harris. Prayers for a peaceful election period.
- 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.





**Tsuru for Solidarity Presents: Liberation Obon!**  
**September 1, 2024, 1:00pm to Dusk**

Outside the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC)  
 1623 E J Street, Tacoma, WA 98421

Help shut down NWDC! Come be a part of the first ever Liberation Obon -- a celebration of ancestors and resilience to end immigrant detention! Join La Resistencia and Tsuru for Solidarity to show your solidarity with those inside who are protesting their wrongful imprisonment.

Activities will include:

- Traditional circle and street folk dancing
- Children's art making
- Giant Daruma!
- Community food trucks
- Healing ceremonies
- Speakers from inside NWDC

Wear your heritage clothing! Blaine will organize a group to go to the obon after worship! Please contact Rev. Karen if you're interested in participating!



**Meditation & Prayer • Wednesdays at 9am**

The Wednesday Prayer group continues to meet each week. "How is it with your soul?" Our time together continues with a few readings from The Upper Room Magazine and we'll end our time together with a pastoral prayer. Join us!

**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
- Choir Director
- Church School Superintendent
- BYG Director
- BYG Associate Directors
- Pianist
- Office Assistant
- Bookkeeper

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



**Lay Leadership Team**

- Administrative Board
- Staff Parish Relations
- Board of Trustees
- Finance Committee
- Lay Leaders
- Annual Conference Delegates
- Today's Flower Arrangement

- Brad Miyake
- Arlene Naganawa
- Ron Nobuyama, Brian Okura
- Bob Sekijima, Gayle Miyake
- Eugene Onishi, Kathy Onishi
- Ron Nobuyama, George Yates
- Miriam Tong



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

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