

Worship 崇拜

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2024 • 10:00am • Hybrid Worship

Worship with Blaine!

- 2 Enroll now for final day of Vacation Bible School!
- 4 Asian Camp 50th Anniversary!
- 4 Puyallup Remembrance Gallery!

What is God calling you to do?



Order of Worship

Prelude

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty

By Dykes/Carter
Yuki Sofronas

Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Call to Worship

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Opening Song

With All I Am

By Reuben Morgan
Rev. Dr. Mark C. Hearn and Emma

VBS Scripture Reading

Exodus 16:24, 26; (CEB), Exodus 20:8-11 (CEB), Exodus 23:10-12 (CEB)

George Yates, Ron Nobuyama

VBS Children's Storytime

Stephen Sumida

Scripture Reading

出エジプト記 3:1-14

Exodus 3:1-14

George Yates, Ron Nobuyama

Message

Here I Am, Lord

Rev. Cruz Edwin Santos

Song of Reflection

Eagles Wings

By Reuben Morgan
Rev. Dr. Mark C. Hearn and Emma

Introduction to the Offering

Ron Nobuyama

*Doxology

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

Kathy Onishi

Prayer of Dedication

Ron Nobuyama

Announcements

Rev. Karen and Friends

*Closing Hymn

Here I Am Lord

(UMH #593)

Rev. Dr. Mark C. Hearn and Emma

*Benediction

Rev. Cruz Edwin Santos

Postlude

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

By Runyan/Carter

Yuki Sofronas



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Sermon Questions

- What is God speaking to you in the midst of your every day life? What is God calling you to do?
- What is your plan to continue your unfinished work in your community?

Daily Lectionary

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Proper 15 (20) 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 and Psalm 111; Proverbs 9:1-6 and Psalm 34:9-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Monday, August 19, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 101;
1 Kings 3:16-28; Acts 6:1-7;
Complementary: Psalm 36; Genesis
43:1-15; Acts 6:1-7

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 101;
1 Kings 7:1-12; Acts 7:9-16;
Complementary: Psalm 36; Genesis
45:1-15; Acts 7:9-16

Wednesday, August 21, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 101;
1 Kings 8:1-21; Mark 8:14-21;
Complementary: Psalm 36; Genesis
47:13-26; Mark 8:14-21

Thursday, August 22, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 84; 1 Kings
4:20-28; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11;
Complementary: Psalm 34:15-22;
Joshua 22:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Friday, August 23, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 84; 1
Kings 4:29-34; Romans 13:11-14;
Complementary: Psalm 34:15-22;
Joshua 22:10-20; Romans 13:11-14

Saturday, August 24, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 84;
1 Kings 5:1-12; Luke 11:5-13;
Complementary: Psalm 34:15-22;
Joshua 22:21-34; Luke 11:5-13

Announcements



Vacation Bible School 2024 concludes, today!

- Operation Restoration - Mending God's World
- 10am to 12pm, including lunch
- BMUMC Church School Classrooms
- \$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!



Prayer and Coffee • Wednesdays at 9am

Join Rev. Karen for prayer and community on Wednesdays at 9:00 AM on Zoom. Our time together consists of brief check-ins, devotionals, and prayers. This is a great way to start your morning, clear and center your mind, all while connecting with God and your prayer community. Feel free to bring a cup of coffee, tea, and a bite to eat. Hope to see you on Wednesday. Contact the Church office for the link!

Reflections on 120 Years of Grace Discussion Sessions • 9/15, 9/22, 10/13, 10/20

The Archives Committee is sponsoring a four-part discussion series on the 120-year history and future of Blaine Memorial UMC, titled "Reflections on 120 Years of Grace." The discussion sessions will be held 11:45 AM-12:45 PM after Sunday worship in the Webb Room. Light refreshments will be served.

The first session, titled "Go Forth in Hope," will discuss the early church from 1904 to 1941. The second session, titled "Strong in Hope," will discuss the incarcerated church in WW II and the postwar rebuilding of the church to 1964. The third session,

titled "Serve in Love," will center on the years 1965 to 2024 and the fourth, titled "Into the Future," will reflect on what we have learned and discuss our visions for the future development of the church. Materials will be presented from the archives as well as church members knowledgeable about each period will speak of their experiences.

The Archives Committee is organizing a "competition" organized by Shig Nishida. Submit your reflections on the history and future of Blaine Memorial UMC. Submit a few sentences, a paragraph, a short essay, short graphic novel/cartoon/anime, short play, a prayer, poems, music/song (new composition or lyrics sung to the tune of a known song), artwork,

video, dance, etc. Let us read/hear/see/feel your thoughts on the 120 years of Grace and the next 120 years of Grace for Blaine Memorial UMC. Submit your entries to the Blaine Memorial UMC office at blaineoffice@yahoo.com by October 27, 2024 (sooner than later is preferred).

The Archives Committee continually seeks relevant church documents, photographs, and other materials and memorabilia to add to our archival records and illuminate previously unknown parts of our church's history. Please let the committee know if you have any materials to donate or materials for the committee to scan and add to the archives.



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

- **Thomas Yoshio “Tom” Kometani**, 89, passed away peacefully at home on July 5, 2024, surrounded by his family. Tom is survived by Janet Kometani, his beloved spouse for 64 years, his daughter Sue Dittmann and sons Jim, Mike and Steve Kometani. He is also survived by his four grandchildren Craig, Miye and Neil Dittmann and Tyler Kometani. A Celebration of Tom Kometani’s Life will be held at a future date.
- **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.

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 faith community!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating August 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.

For our community, nation, and world

- Prayers for 20 church members from Blaine Memorial UMC and three from Mt. Vernon UMC who will be heading to Panjachel, Guatemala to participate in mission work (dental, VBS and construction) through Mission Guatemala. May they continue to serve and do God’s work and may they travel safely.
- Prayers for the United States of America as we embark on a final 85-day stretch of a rapidly evolving 2024 presidential election race between former President Donald Trump and Vice President Kamala Harris.
- 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.
- Prayers for the Ukrainian people, for protection and peace between Ukraine and Russia. We pray for restoration and renewed hope. We pray for the families, especially, the children living through the horrors of war and all the upheaval and tribulation it brings.



Remembrance Gallery to open soon! • August 30, 2024

Blaine Memorial UMC is invited to a special viewing of the Remembrance Gallery on Opening Day of the Washington State Fair! The Puyallup Valley Japanese American Citizens League is cordially inviting us to a special viewing at 10:30am to see the brand-new Remembrance Gallery at the Washington State Fairgrounds on Friday, August 30, 2024.

We are currently organizing carpools. We will leave Blaine at 9:00AM to arrive at the Washington State Fairgrounds by 10:30AM. This opportunity comes with **free admission** and **free parking** at the fairgrounds. Please contact Yuki at blaineoffice@yahoo.com if you are interested in going to this much anticipated event. We need a solid head count by Wednesday, August 28. Thank you!



Asian Camp 50th Anniversary Event (Southern California) • October 12

Calling all Asian Camp campers, counselors, directors, past and present! RSVP for this years AC 50th anniversary event on October 12! RSVPs & ticket purchasing is due by August 20th, 2024.

1. Visit withjoy.com/asiancamp (or scan the QR code, left)
2. Ticket purchasing will be done through PayPal found at njaumccamps.org/50th OR checks made out to NJAUMC Camping Ministries, sent to our Camping Board Finance Chair Carol Tondo at 2313 Pacific Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266.



In addition, the Sunday following (10/13), we will be having a joint gathering/service at Centenary UMC at 2PM. Join us in continuing to fellowship together as we celebrate 50 years of camp! Please contact Rev. Karen if you have any questions.



Tsuru for Solidarity Presents: Liberation Obon! • September 1, 2024 @ 1 PM to Dusk

Outside the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC), 1623 E J Street, Tacoma, WA 98421. Contact Rev. Karen Yokota Love or the Church Office more to join!

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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
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BYG Associate Directors

Pianist
Office Assistant
Bookkeeper

Lay Leadership Team

Administrative Board
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Today's Flower Arrangement

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



Brad Miyake
Arlene Naganawa
Ron Nobuyama, Brian Okura
Bob Sekijima, Gayle Miyake
Eugene Onishi, Kathy Onishi
Ron Nobuyama, George Yates
Carol Kastrup



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.
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