

Worship 崇拜

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2024 • 10:00am • Hybrid Worship

Worship with Blaine!

- 2 Bazaar: Order now!
- 3 Updated Prayer List
- 4 Our Story Continues!



Order of Worship

Prelude

Still

By Zschech
Miriam Tong

Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Call to Worship

By Rev. Dr. Safiyah Fosua
Tim Ikegami

*Opening Song

Lord, Whose Love Through
Humble Service
(UMH #581)
Neal Komedal and Miriam Tong

Opening Prayer

Tim Ikegami

First Scripture Reading

マルコの福音書 7:24-37 (JLB)
Mark 7:24-37 (CEB)
Tsutomu Nagoya, Tim Ikegami

Rally Sunday

Celebrating our Teachers
Blessing of the Backpacks
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Second Scripture Reading

イザヤ書 35:4-7 (JLB)
Isaiah 35:4-7 (CEB)
Tsutomu Nagoya, Tim Ikegami

Sermon

Racing Hearts
Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Hymn of Meditation

What a Friend We Have in Jesus
(UMH #526)
Neal Komedal and Miriam Tong

Introduction to the Offering

Tim Ikegami

Offertory Music

O For a Thousand Tongues
Breathe On Me, Breath of God
Leann Onishi and the Bell Choir

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All
Blessings Flow
Miriam Tong

*Prayer of Dedication

Tim Ikegami

Announcements

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Closing Hymn

Together We Serve
(TFWS #2175)
Neal Komedal and Miriam Tong

*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Postlude

You Are Holy/Prince of Peace
By Michael W. Smith
Miriam Tong



Today's altar flowers are provided by
the Nagaoka Family in memory of
Dick Nagaoka.

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Daily Lectionary

Sunday, September 08, 2024

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 and Psalm 125; Isaiah 35:4-7a and Psalm 146; James 2:1-10, (11-13), 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

Monday, September 09, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 73:1-20; Proverbs 8:32-9:6; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Complementary: Isaiah 38:10-20; Joshua 6:1-21; Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 73:1-20; Proverbs 11:1-31; Hebrews 12:3-13; Complementary: Isaiah 38:10-20; Joshua 8:1-23; Hebrews 12:3-13

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 73:1-20; Proverbs 14:1-9; Matthew 17:14-21; Complementary: Isaiah 38:10-20; Judges 15:9-20; Matthew 17:14-21

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 19; Proverbs 15:1-17; Hebrews 11:17-22; Complementary: Psalm 116:1-9; Joshua 2:1-14; Hebrews 11:17-22

Friday, September 13, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 19; Proverbs 19:24-29; James 2:17-26; Complementary: Psalm 116:1-9; Joshua 2:15-24; James 2:17-26

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Holy Cross Numbers 21:4b-9 and Psalm 98:1-5 or Psalm 78:1-2, 34-38; 1 Corinthians 1:18-24; John 3:13-17

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 19; Proverbs 21:1-17; Matthew 21:23-32; Complementary: Psalm 116:1-9; Joshua 6:22-27; Matthew 21:23-32

Rally/Promotion Sunday • Today!

We're kicking off a new school year with celebrations for our teachers and leaders who nurture our children! Please bring your backpacks, devices and school supplies for a Blessing of the Backpacks! We'll celebrate the new school year with cake after worship!

Camping Ministries Sunday • September 22

Our youth are sharing their faith testimonies from Jr. High Camp and Asian Camp. Congregation members will learn more about the National Japanese American United Methodist Church (NJAUMC) Camping Ministries programs which include our summer camps, Jr. High Camp and Asian Camp and what the future holds for our camping ministries. We'll sing new and old camp songs together and our BYG youth will lead this worship service.

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. Contact the Church office for the link!



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BAZAAR

Saturday, October 5, 2024

Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church

ALSO

Farmer's Market • Bake Sale • Ohagi
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Bazaar: volunteers needed. Grocery bags, too!

We cannot do this without our trusted volunteers to help out at Bazaar! We need help grilling, cooking, making ohagi, selling baked goods, etc. Sign up in the Social Hall!

Also, we need brown paper grocery bags for the Bazaar Farmers Market. If you have brown paper grocery bags that you've saved, please bring them to the church. We would like to have paper bags for our customers who purchase produce and plants. Please drop the paper bags off in the Narthex. Thank you!

Please contact Lesley Okura (okura5@aol.com) if you have any questions.



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

- **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 Celebration of Life and reception was held yesterday, Saturday, September 7 at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Blaine Memorial UMC.
- **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. Ted was a dad, grandpa and great grandfather, who began his life in Turlock, California on August 17, 1922, as the fourth child of Shingoro and Tsuchino Yasuda. Ted served in the U.S. Army, 442nd Regimental Combat team, during WWII. He graduated from the University of Washington in 1950 and worked for Boeing, until 1987. His wife, Margaret, predeceased him in 2009. His survivors include Roderick (Roxanne Marie) Yasuda, Beverly (Thomas) Ikeda, and Roxanne (Eric) Guion, seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Remembrances may be made to the Yasuda Family Scholarship, in care of Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.
- **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.

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 • Sumi Yoshioka
- Marcia Takahashi • Rev. Shigeharu Ago

Celebrations

- Congratulations to all students as they begin a new year of classes. May they be infused with a passion for learning new things and bless their hard work over the coming months. May all students feel safe and may they study hard. Surprise them with unexpected moments of joy!
- Congratulations to our Church School Superintendent, Church School Teachers, BYG Associate Director and Leaders as they begin a new church school year teaching and nurturing our children and youth!
- Congratulations to Kai Yamamoto as he embarks on a new chapter in his life in the working world! We are grateful for all of his contributions, time, and talent as an Associate BYG Director.
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating September birthdays and anniversaries!

For our United Methodist Church

- 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 65-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 an immediate ceasefire, an end to the violence, and the release of all hostages. We pray for world leaders with influence in the region to make wise decisions that lead to lasting peace. We pray that God’s peace fill the hearts and minds of everyone who is suffering as a result of this conflict.
- 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.

Reflections on 120 Years of Grace Discussion Sessions

See dates, all sessions 11:45a-12:45p

The Archives Committee is sponsoring a four-part discussion series, "Reflections on 120 Years of Grace", 11:45 AM-12:45 PM after Sunday worship in the Webb Room.

Sunday, September 15

Go Forth in Hope

We will discuss the early church from 1904 to 1941.

Sunday, September 22

Strong in Hope

We will discuss the incarcerated church in WW II and the postwar rebuilding of the church to 1964.

Sunday, October 13

Serve in Love

We will center on the years 1965 to 2024

Sunday, October 20

Into the Future

We 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.

Beacon Newsletter Announcement

During September, stories and content for Blaine Memorial UMC's newsletter, the "Beacon" will be uploaded to our website blaineonline.org. It is a busy time for Rev. Karen as she continues to search for support staff to lead our youth and perform other tasks to continue maintaining Blaine Memorial's vibrant ministry. We are also working to improve our printing services and our ministry online - which also need time to develop. Stay connected at blaineonline.org.

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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 Associate Directors

Pianist
Office Assistant
Bookkeeper

Lay Leadership Team

Administrative Board
Staff Parish Relations
Board of Trustees
Finance Committee
Lay Leaders
Annual Conference Delegates

120 Years of Grace Competition • Due October 27

Archives invite you to share your thoughts and reflections on the 120 years of Grace and the future of Blaine Memorial UMC!

Now accepting:

- *Written pieces*
- *Illustrations*
- *Plays*
- *Prayers*
- *Songs*
- *Videos*
- *Dances*

Submit your entries now to the Blaine Memorial UMC office at blaineoffice@yahoo.com, latest by October 27, 2024. Contact Shig Nishida for more info!

Rev. Karen Yokota Love
Eugene Onishi
Sai Hanaoka
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



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

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