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Order of Worship

Prelude Matthew 11

By Wes Terasaki Nathan Buck

Welcome of Grace and Greeting Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Call to Worship

Marisa Ikegami

Christ In Me Nathan Buck and the BYG Youth

*Opening Congregational Song

Opening Prayer

Marisa Ikegami

First Scripture Reading ヘブル人への手紙 / Hebrews 13:5-8 Tsutomu Nagoya, Marcus Corsilles

Asian Camp Testimonials Emma Hearn, Katelyn Nakase

Asian Camp Slide Show Yesterday, Today, and Forever Kai Yamamoto

Second Scripture Reading イザヤ書 / Isaiah 26:3-4

Tsutomu Nagoya, Josh Akiyama

Jr. High Camp Testimonials

Jordan Lew, Tyler Ikegami, Kai Yamamoto, Aidan Lew

Response Song My Lighthouse

Nathan Buck and the BYG Youth

Introduction to the Offering

Annabelle Akiyama

Offertory Music Build My Life

Music by Pat Barrett Nathan Buck

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Kathy Onishi, Eugene Onishi

*Prayer of Dedication

Annabelle Akiyama

Prayers of the People

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Announcements

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Closing Congregation Song Days of Love

Words and music Wes Terasaki
Nathan Buck and the BYG Youth

*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Postlude

Another in the Fire

By Hillsong United Nathan Buck

Today's altar flowers are provided by The Sekijima Family in memory of Connie Sekijima.



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Testimonial Reflection Questions

- · How do you trust God?
- How can you use your faith to create a good future for the youth of tomorrow?

Daily Lectionary

Sunday, September 22, 2024

Proverbs 31:10-31 and Psalm 1 • Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:1, 12-22 or Jeremiah 11:18-20 and Psalm 54 • James 3:13 – 4:3, 7-8a • Mark 9:30-37

Monday, September 23, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 128 • Proverbs 27:1-27 • James 4:8-17 • Complementary: Psalm 139:1-18 • 2 Kings 5:1-14 • James 4:8-17

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 128 • Ecclesiastes 4:9-16 • James 5:1-6. Complementary: Psalm 139:1-18 • 2 Kings 11:21-12:16 • James 5:1-6

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 128 • Ecclesiastes 5:1-20 • John 8:21-38. Complementary: Psalm 139:1-18 • Jeremiah 1:4-10 • John 8:21-38

Thursday, September 26, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 124 • Esther 1:1-21 • Acts 4:13-31. Complementary: Psalm 19:7-14 • Exodus 18:13-27 • Acts 4:13-31

Friday, September 27, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 124 • Esther 2:1-23 • Acts 12:20-25. Complementary: Psalm 19:7-14 • Deuteronomy 1:1-18 • Acts 12:20-25

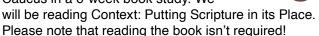
Saturday, September 28, 2024

Semi-continuous: Psalm 124 • Esther 3:1-15 • Matthew 5:13-20. Complementary: Psalm 19:7-14 • Deuteronomy 27:1-10 • Matthew 5:13-20

Fall Book Study:

"Context: Putting Scripture in Its Place"

You're invited to join Rev. Dr. John Miyahara (UMC Navy Chaplain), Rev. Brian Lee (Simpson UMC in Arvada, CO), and congregation members of the Japanese American United Methodist Caucus in a 6-week book study. We



Books are available in the Church Office for \$17.00. The study will begin on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 from 6:30-8:00 PM. The Zoom link will be sent out closer to the beginning of the book study date. Please contact Rev. Karen will any questions.

Announcements

Camping Ministries
Sunday • Today

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!



BLAINE MEMORIAL

Reflections on 120 Years of Grace Discussion: "Strong in Hope" 11:45a-12:45p

The Archives Committee is sponsoring a four-part discussion series, "Reflections on 120 Years of Grace", after Sunday worship in the Webb Room. Today, we will discuss the early church from 1904 to 1941.

Materials will be presented from the archives as well as church members

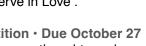
knowledgeable about each period will speak of their experiences. **October 13:** "Serve in Love".

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!





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

- 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.
- 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 Blaine Memorial UMC on October 19, 2024 at 11:00AM with a reception to follow.
- 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.
- 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 on Saturday, September 7 at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. 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

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

Celebrations

- Today we celebrate Ron Ebbers, Director of the Hand Bell Choir and the Campanella Bell Choir from Mercer Island Presbyterian Church. We are filled with gratitude for this talented musical group. Thank you for sharing your gifts and graces with the Blaine Memorial UMC congregation today.
- Congratulations to our Church School Superintendent, Church School Teachers, BYG Associate Director and Leaders as they start a new church school year teaching and nurturing our children and youth!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating September birthdays and anniversaries!

For our United Methodist Church

 We continue to pray for the United Methodist Church is journey 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 every person who tested positive for Covid.
 Prayers for each person to recover quickly.
- Prayers for people who have lost their homes in the California wildfires. Protect those who evacuate houses, and strengthen those who rebuild hope so that entire communities may face the future without fear.
- Prayers for the United States of America as we embark on a final 55-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.
- 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.





Bazaar: Volunteers Needed!

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

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

Blaine Memorial Bazaar and Mission Guatemala

A portion of the proceeds will benefit Mission Guatemala. Mission Guatemala helps meet the basic needs and improve the quality of life of underserved Guatemalan people through health, education, and nutrition initiatives and meaningful missionary service. Together, we can make a difference!

Mission Guatemala Sunday · September 29

Twenty-two church members/missionaries who ventured off to Panajachel, Guatemala during the month of August will share their faith testimonies from their week-long trip. Congregation members will learn more about how we can help and support Mission Guatemala and the people in Panajachel and why they are the beneficiary at this year's Bazaar.

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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.

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

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