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Order of Worship

Prelude *The Family Prayer Song Morris Chapman*Kathy Onishi

Welcome of Grace and GreetingRev. Karen Yokota Love

*Call to Worship Jill Nishi

*Opening Song Spirit Song UMH #347 Eugene and Kathy Onishi

Opening Prayer

Josh Akiyama

Celebrating the Reappointments of Our Clergy

Arlene Naganawa

First Scripture Reading James 5:13-20

Tsutomu Nagoya Anne Arakaki-Lock

Children's Message

Sai Hanaoka

Anthem

Go Ye, Go Ye Into the World Natalie Sleeth Blaine Memorial Choir

Mission Guatemala Testimonials

Katelyn Nakase Kenji Guess

Mission Guatemala Video

Alice Ikeda

Second Scripture Reading Philippians 2:1-4

Tsutomu Nagoya Howard Nakase

Third Scripture Reading Hebrews 13:16

Tsutomu Nagoya Howard Nakase

Mission Guatemala Testimonials

Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church

Alice Ikeda Bob Sekijima

Song of Reflection *Change My Heart, O God*

TFWS #2152 Eugene and Kathy Onishi

Introduction to the Offering

Margaret Sekijima

*Doxology

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Donna Sekijima

*Announcements

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Closing Song Together We Serve

TFWS #2175

*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Postlude

One God and Father of Us All

P. Carlson, K. Matthews, J. Carraway Kathy Onishi

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Zoom Break Out Room

Dale Kaneko











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Sermon Questions

- Who do you think your neighbor is?
- Why does the Blaine Memorial community support local, national and international missions/outreach?

Today's Altar Flowers

Thank you to Sharon Maeda who created today's altar arrangement. Thank you for your creative vision!

Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday, September 29, 2024: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10 • 9:20-22 and Psalm 124 • Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 and Psalm 19:7-14 • James 5:13-20 • Mark 9:38-50

Monday, September 30, 2024:
Semi-continuous: Psalm 140
• Esther 4:1-17 • 1 Peter 1:3-9.
Complementary: Psalm 5 •
Zechariah 6:9-15 • 1 Peter 1:3-9

Tuesday, October 01, 2024:
Semi-continuous: Psalm 140
• Esther 5:1-14 • 1 John 2:1825. Complementary: Psalm 5 •
Zechariah 8:18-23 • 1 John 2:18-25

Wednesday, October 02, 2024:
Semi-continuous: Psalm 140 •
Esther 8:1-17 • Matthew 18:69. Complementary: Psalm 5 •
Zechariah 10:1-12 • Matthew 18:6-9

Thursday, October 03, 2024:
Semi-continuous: Psalm 26 • Job
2:11-3:26 • Galatians 3:23-29.
Complementary: Psalm 8 •
Genesis 20:1-18 • Galatians 3:23-29

Friday, October 04, 2024:
Semi-continuous: Psalm 26 • Job 4:1-21 • Romans 8:1-11
Complementary: Psalm 8 •
Genesis 21:22-34 • Romans 8:1-11

Saturday, October 05, 2024: Semi-continuous: Psalm 26 • Job 7:1-21 • Luke 16:14-18. Complementary: Psalm 8 • Genesis 23:1-20 • Luke 16:14-18

Announcements

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!



Mission Guatemala Sunday · Today

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.

Read more about this missionary experience in the latest issue of the Beacon! Download this issue at blaineonline.org or pick up a copy at the Church office, LAC, and the Social Hall!



Blaine Memorial Bazaar and Mission Guatemala

A portion of the proceeds will benefit Mission Guatemala. 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!

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.

Volunteer Pie-Makers Needed!

We are in GREAT need for many volunteers, at least 30 people for Pie Making, on October 3 at 10:00AM! We will be working in the LAC to make and bake pies for the Bazaar!

Baked Goods Also Needed!

Do you love to bake? We need baked goods donations for our Bake Goods booth at the Bazaar! We're seeking donations of baked mochi, manju, brownies and cookies. Please bring them in on Saturday, October 5 before 10:00AM!



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

- Sumiko "Sumi" Kono Yoshioka, 89, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, September 15, 2024. A lifelong Blaine Memorial church member, she faithfully served as the choir and handbell choir directors, organist and pianist. She was known for her kindness, grace, and was an island girl at heart. Sumi is predeceased by her husband Art; survived by her children: Tom (Roberta) Yoshioka, Ann Yoshioka, Steve (Beverly) Yoshioka, and Lynn (Stephen Cavit) Yoshioka. Sumi is also survived by her grandchildren Misa Yoshioka, Alex Yoshioka, Emily Yoshioka, Caleb Yoshioka, and Maddie Cavit; sister Midori Thiel, sisters-in-law Barbara Kono and Helen Kono, and many nephews and nieces. A Celebration of Life is TBD.
- 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 public Celebration of Tom Kometani's Life will be held at Blaine Memorial UMC on Saturday, 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.
- 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. A Celebration of Life and reception was held on Saturday, September 21, 2024 at Blaine Memorial UMC. 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
- · Quy Phi · Nikki Palmer · Chuck Sitkin
- · Dean Tsuchida · Katie Tat

Those with health concerns, recovery

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

Celebrations

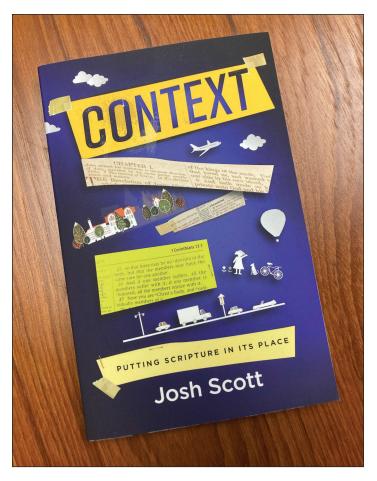
- We give thanks to our clergy: Rev. Karen, Rev. Jeney and Rev. Mark who are reappointed for another year at Blaine Memorial UMC! We also give thanks for Rev. Cruz who continues to be a part of our church community and provides counsel, insight, and preaching when needed.
- Congratulations to our youth who shared their Jr. High Camp and Asian Camp faith testimonials last Sunday, September 22, in worship. Thank you for sharing about how camp has brought you closer to God.
- 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 people who have lost their homes and have been displaced by Hurricane Helene in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, and the Carolinas. Guide and strengthen those seeking a safe place to live. Provide hope and aid so that these communities may face the future without fear. May you surround them with love.
- Prayers for the United States of America as we inch closer to the 2024 presidential election race between former President Donald Trump and Vice President Kamala Harris. Please register to vote!
- 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 the families, especially, the children living through the horrors of war and all the upheaval and tribulation it brings.



Fall Book Study: "Context: Putting Scripture in Its Place" Begins October 1, 6:30p-8:00p

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 will be reading "Context: Putting Scripture in its Place" (reading not required!).

Books are available for \$17.00. The study will begin on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 from 6:30-8:00 PM. Please contact Rev. Karen will any questions and the Church office for the Zoom link.



Purchase Anniversary Aprons, October 5!

Wow, we are so grateful and excited to see the many rice bags that were generously donated to us recently by Jean Okazaki!

Jean's daughter, Kathleen, read of Blaine's need for more rice bags and responded! Now our capable and hard working sewers are busy making more of our special 120th Anniversary Aprons.

They will be available for sale at our upcoming Bazaar on October 5th or through the church office. They are \$40 and we are happy to accept more; the additional dollars would be considered a donation.

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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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