

Worship

Worship with Blaine!

2 Film Viewing: One Fighting Irishman

3 Thoughts and Prayers 4 Walk for Rice!

May 25, 2025 • 10:00am • Hybrid Worship • View blaineonline.org for this bulletin with Announcements



What in you needs healing right now?

1. Suppose that Jesus asked you the question right now, "Do you want to be healed? Fully healed?" How would you answer?
2. Suppose you were the paralyzed man. Which would you rather have — physical healing, or spiritual healing?
3. Jesus did not ask the Pharisees if they wanted to be healed. What do you think their response would have been?

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Honor and Praise

Twila Paris
Kathy Onishi

Welcome of Grace and Greeting

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Land Acknowledgment

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

*Call to Worship

Ron Nobuyama

*Opening Hymn

Please Enter My Heart, Hosanna

TFWS #2154
Kathy and Eugene Onishi

Opening Prayer

Ron Nobuyama

First Scripture Reading

John 14:23-29 (CEB)

Tsutomu Nagoya, Ron Nobuyama

Children's Message

Masato "Mike" Takahashi

Special Music

I Believe

Mark A. Miller,
Anonymous Jewish Poem
Blaine Memorial Choir

Reading of Names for Memorial Day

Gail Nomura and Shig Nishida

Second Scripture Reading

John 5:1-9 (CEB)

Tsutomu Nagoya, Ron Nobuyama

Sermon

Spirit-led Healing

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Hymn of Meditation

Healer of Our Every Ill

TFWS #2213
Kathy and Eugene Onishi

Introduction to the Offering

Ron Nobuyama

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #94

Kathy Onishi and Eugene Onishi

*Prayer of Dedication

Ron Nobuyama

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Rev. Karen and Friends

*Closing Hymn

For the Healing of the Nations

UMH #428

Kathy and Eugene Onishi

*Benediction

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Karen Yokota Love

Zoom Fellowship Breakout Room

Rev. Jeney Park-Hearn, Dale Kaneko

Today's Flowers

Miriam Tong



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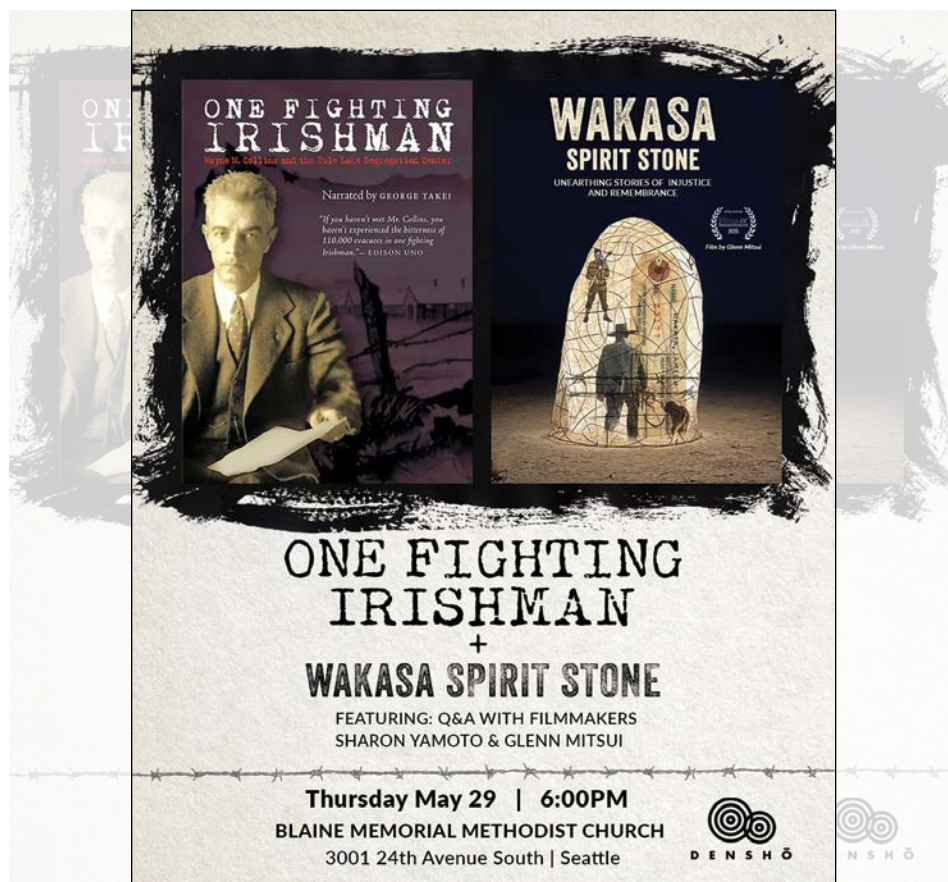
Tomorrow (5/26) Nisei Veterans Committee (NVC) and NVC Foundation presents: 80th Annual Memorial Day Service @ Lake View Cemetery Monday (5/26), 10:00am - 11:00am / Location: Lake View Cemetery, 1554 15th Avenue East, Seattle, WA

Each year, Blaine Memorial participates in the NVC Memorial Day service. This year, Rev. Karen will provide the Invocation and Bruce Yamamoto will provide the Christian Reflection. This will be the first year where Blaine Memorial UMC will present a wreath and George Yates will represent our church.

The Nisei Veterans Committee (NVC) holds a Memorial Day Service every year since 1946 to honor Japanese American and other veterans who gave their lives in service to our country. Over the years, it has become one of the oldest and largest Memorial Day services in the Northwest, with several hundred gathering by the Nisei War Memorial, a 22-foot-tall granite obelisk inscribed with the sites of major campaigns of WW II in Europe and the Pacific, as well as the names of Japanese American KIA (killed in action) from the Spanish-American War, WW I, WW II, the Korean Conflict, Vietnam, and Granada. This year bears special significance as we mark the 80th anniversary of the end of WWII.

Eighty years later, the Japanese American community and friends still gather to honor the Nisei veterans' service and loyalty to our country as we strive to continue their legacy of courage and sacrifice. We also honor those who gave their lives in subsequent wars and conflicts around the globe. Hope to see you at this special service tomorrow!

Join us on Thursday, May 29 at 6:00PM in the Sanctuary for two films!



Daily Lectionary Readings

Sunday, May 25, 2025:
Sixth Sunday of Easter

- Acts 16:9-15
- Psalm 67
- Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
- John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

Monday, May 26, 2025:

- Psalm 93
- 1 Chronicles 12:16-22
- Revelation 21:5-14

Tuesday, May 27, 2025:

- Psalm 93
- 2 Chronicles 15:1-15
- Revelation 21:15-22

Wednesday, May 28, 2025:

- Psalm 93
- 2 Chronicles 34:20-33
- Luke 2:25-38

Thursday, May 29, 2025:

- Ascension of the Lord
- Acts 1:1-11
- Psalm 47 or Psalm 93
- Ephesians 1:15-23
- Luke 24:44-53

Friday, May 30, 2025:

- Psalm 97
- Exodus 33:12-17
- Revelation 22:6-9

Saturday, May 31, 2025:

- Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth
- 1 Samuel 2:1-10
- Psalm 113
- Romans 12:9-16b
- Luke 1:39-57
- Psalm 97
- Exodus 33:18-23
- John 1:14-18



Retreat: Refresh, Renew, Rejoice
August 22-24, 2025

We are bringing back the All-Church Camp Retreat! Please save the dates: August 22-24, 2025! Our campsite location will be in Olympia, WA. Please contact Harry Tang with 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 in cancer treatment or remission

- Jennifer Lew • Nikki Palmer
- Quy Phi • Dean Tsuchida
- Chuck Sitkin

Those with health concerns, recovery

- Marilyn Odama • Suma Yagi • Greg Ogata
- Pui Chung Ngao Wong • Sam Wakasugi
- Wyman Martin • Alejandro Escalante
- Madison Kelly • Marcia Takahashi • Rev. Shigeharu Ago

Celebrations

- We are delighted to announce that Job Pangilinan will be appointed as the Associate Pastor to Blaine Memorial UMC effective July 1, 2025!
- Congratulations to all who are celebrating May birthdays and anniversaries!

For our United Methodist Church

- We continue to pray for The United Methodist Church's journey through a time of significant change as the Pacific Northwest Conference expresses a new way of district superintendency work in our future.
- As the global church, we continue to pray that our message of hope continues to be shared far and wide, no matter what else is happening in our world.

For our community, nation, and world

- Prayers in the month of May, as we honor Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Heritage Month. May we celebrate the rich cultural contributions and historical resilience of the AANHPI community, while also acknowledging past injustices and as we continue to advocate for equity and inclusion. We continue to be grateful for the diverse cultures and traditions, and we ask for protection and healing, and as we continue to seek guidance for creating a more just and inclusive society.
- Prayers as we remember the families who grieve on this Memorial Day Weekend and every day for brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers, daughters and sons, friends and spouses, who lost their lives while wearing the uniform of our country.
- Prayers for the safety of soldiers pulled from their homes and families to serve at the whim of government leaders

who fail to carry out due process to verify identities and prove criminal charges before imprisoning, deporting, or shooting.

- We pray for all men, women, and children, feeling like pinballs while living in unstable countries. May our concern for them promote greater feelings of inner peace.
- Prayers for strength, wisdom, and resilience for small business owners facing challenges due to tariffs, including shifting trade policies, rising costs, and uncertain markets.
- Prayers for those whose livelihoods and well-being are affected by tariffs, including workers, retirees, families, and farmers.
- Prayers for peace in all areas of the world touched by war in Palestine, Israel, Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Sudan, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Russia, Ukraine, and in many other areas that are unknown to us.
- Prayers for each person in leadership ... for those who are leading the United States of America, as well as in the United Methodist Church. Please lead and guide them to do what is good, noble, and right. Sway them from selfish motives and protect their hearts and minds as they make decisions for our nation and for our church.
- Prayers of each person who is experiencing grief of losing a loved one. May God's comfort hold you in love and peace.
- We continue to pray for those struggling to find safe and affordable housing, and for families facing the threat of being unhoused. Grant them the strength to persevere and the resources to find stable homes. May our communities be filled with compassion and action, creating spaces where everyone can thrive.
- We continue to pray for the work of Tsuru for Solidarity, our partnership with them, and the work that we all continue to do for the greater good. May we continue to educate, advocate, and protest to close all U.S. concentration camps. May we continue to build solidarity with other communities of color that have experienced forced removal, detention, deportation, separation of families, and other forms of racial and state violence. May God continue to heal each one of us through community, and shared stories by addressing our trauma.
- Prayers to guarantee free speech to all in the United States, citizens, visitors, students, and immigrants alike. Without high levels of it, those in the U.S. shall become oppressed and at the mercy of blind leaders who have not thought through their policies nor recognized the failures of historical precedents. We pray that God continues to shine the light of truth through the academics, journalists and investigators who are challenging the current administration.



Thank you for recycling chip bags during Fellowship Time!

For the past three Sundays, we've collected chip bags during Fellowship Time. Dale Watanabe and Arlene Naganawa are gracious to offer and use their personal Ridwell subscriptions to responsibly recycle the chip bags from Blaine's Fellowship Time.

However, we are unable to collect items from church members' homes. Since they are using their personal accounts, the collection bags are small. If you would like to subscribe to Ridwell, sign up at ridwell.com.

Please put your bags that you use during Fellowship Time in the box located in the social hall near the kitchen. Thank you for helping us to be good stewards of our planet!

35th Annual ACRS Walk for Rice @ Seward Park • June 28, 9:00 am

This year ACRS will hold the Walk for Rice at 9:00 am on Saturday, June 28, 2025 at Seward Park. Team Blaine raised over \$11,000 last year (2nd place) and this year's fundraising goal is \$8,000. We're off to a great start, but still have a way to go to reach our goal.

Help ACRS feed AAPI community members who are experiencing food insecurity by donating to and/or registering to walk with Team Blaine:

Donate Online through Team Blaine:

• <https://give.acrs.org/team/657467>

Please make your donation directly to ACRS, as it will help Blaine keep track of how much we are earning collectively as a team! Thanks for your support!

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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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