

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**All: Our Parent Who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn: “God of Grace and God of Glory”**

*God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy pow’r.*

*Crown thine ancient church’s story,  
bring its bud to glorious flow’r.*

*Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.*

*Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!*

*From the fears that long have bound us,  
free our hearts to faith and praise.*

*Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.*

**Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

**Response: “Shalom”**

**Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, Kami no mi megumi. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, may we be blessed with grace from God.)**

**Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, yuta kani, yuta kani, yuta kani. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, abundantly, abundantly, abundantly.)**

**In Appreciation:**

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**The Celebration of Worship**

August 22, 2021 • 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson  
Worship Leader: Christine Umeda  
Pianist: Haruko Sakakibara  
Japanese Reader: Haruko Sakakibara

**Welcome/Announcements/Candlelighting** Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

**Introit**

**All: Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit make us one. Let Your love flow so the world will know, we are one in You.**

**Call to Worship**

Christine Umeda

Leader: As we gather in this sacred moment for a sacred purpose, let us make the most of our time together.

**People: We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

Leader: As we sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, let us make the most of our time together.

**People: We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

Leader: As we respond to the melody in our hearts, let us make the most of our time together.

**People: We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

**Confession Prayer**

Christine Umeda

Leader: Lord, we have lived as unwise people.

**People: God, forgive us for wasting time.**

Leader: We have been foolish.

**People: Jesus, forgive us for not understanding your will.**

Leader: We have filled ourselves with the wine of worldliness.

**People: Holy Spirit, forgive us for not being filled with you.**

Leader: We have forsaken your spiritual food.

**People: Great Triune God of grace, forgive us for not drawing our strength from your bread of heaven.**

Leader: Almighty God, please add to your mighty deeds by forgiving our transgressions.

**All: Amen.**

**Assurance of God's Grace**

Christine Umeda

Leader: The Lord is gracious to us and gentle. The Lord heals our souls with love. The Lord is merciful, providing spiritual food for the hungry. Be healed in your hearts and be fed in your souls by the forgiveness found in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**Response to God's Forgiveness**

**All: Glory be to Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.**

**Passing of the Peace**

Christine Umeda

Leader: The peace of Lord be with you always.

**All: And also with you.**

**Children's Message**

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

**Hymn: "Morning Has Broken"**

*Morning has broken*

*like the first morning*

*Blackbird has spoken like the first bird*

*Praise for the singing,*

*praise for the morning*

*Praise for them springing*

*fresh from the world*

*Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning*

*Born of the one light, Eden saw play*

*Praise with elation, praise every morning*

*God's recreation of the new day*

**Unison Prayer Of Guidance**

Christine Umeda

**All: Now may the words of our mouth, the meditation of our hearts, the interpretation of our minds, and the response of our hands be acceptable to You, our Lord and our Redeemer. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**Japanese Reading: Psalm 111:1-3**

Haruko Sakakibara

Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord!

they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendor,  
and his righteousness endures forever.

**1st Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 2:1-4; 10-12**

Christine Umeda

When the time drew near for David to die, he gave a charge to Solomon his son. "I am about to go the way of all the earth," he said. "So be strong, act like a man, and observe what the Lord your God requires: Walk in obedience to God, and keep the Lord's decrees and commands, laws and regulations, as written in the Law of Moses. Do this so that you may prosper in all you do and wherever you go and that the Lord may keep this promise to me: 'If your descendants watch how they live, and if they walk faithfully before me with all their heart and soul, you will never fail to have a successor on the throne of Israel.'"

Then David rested with his ancestors and was buried in the City of David. He had reigned forty years over Israel—seven years in Hebron and thirty-three in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David, and his rule was firmly established.

**2nd Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20**

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Parent at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

"Making the Most of Time"

**Musical Offering**

Haruko Sakakibara

*Time for silent reflection.*

**Opportunity To Present Offerings**

Christine Umeda

**Doxology**

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**All: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Prayer of Dedication**

Christine Umeda