

Postlude

Janet Hill

We invite you to remain seated during the Postlude as we enjoy the music and God's presence together. If you need to go, please feel free to do so. Go with God's blessings.

In Appreciation:

Greeters:	Jerry Champa, Carla Hart
Online Greeter:	May Lee
Usher:	Julie Chew, Terri Bowman
Parking:	Russ Hart
Sound System:	Cathy Nishizaki
Zoom Moderator:	Nancy Arata-Fong
Altar Flowers:	Russ and Lori Hart



*For Our Fathers
For Those Who Nurture Us*



The Celebration of Worship

June 19, 2022 • Father's Day

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave
Worship Leader:	Titus Toyama
Pianist:	Janet Hill
Japanese Reader:	Miko Kumagai

Centering Prayer for Worship

Loving God, You who are our father and our mother, we thank You for the joy that comes from knowing that we were each designed by You. You delight in helping us be everything You created us to be. Help us trust that You know what we need, and have all the resources of the universe to meet the needs of all Your children. As we worship, may we experience Your constant love and faithfulness, so that our hearts overflow with praise to You. Amen.

Prelude

Janet Hill

*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.

Welcome/Announcements

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Call to Worship

Titus Toyama

Leader: We gather on this Father's Day to worship God, our perfect parent.

People: We eagerly anticipate your work among us, O God. We come seeking comfort, community, inspiration and insight.

All: We come to bless your holy name and bring joy to your gracious heart.

*Opening Hymn: "This Is My Father's World" (#293)

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, God's hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world. O, let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

** Those who can, please rise*

This is my Father's world. The battle is not done: Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

Invitation to Confession

Titus Toyama

Leader: We are grateful that we do not serve a God who bullies us to enforce God's will, but One who, despite our failings, loves us unconditionally. Believing that we are accepted and beloved by God, let's confess our sins to God.

Prayer of Confession

Titus Toyama

Leader: Guiding God, You see us just as we are, and yet You love us with a parent's love. You give us the first and best of all your gifts, the Holy Spirit who makes us Your children.

People: Forgive us when we do or say harmful things, or neglect the good we could do.

All: Help us be kind to one another, tenderhearted reminders of Your love. May we work with You to bring Your kingdom into our troubled world. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Time for silent reflection and confession to God

Assurance of God's Grace

Titus Toyama

Leader: Now to the One who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we can ask or imagine, to God be glory in the church. (Ephesians 3:20)

All: Thanks be to God. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*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

Titus Toyama

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

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: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (#276)

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not; Thy compassions they fail not, as Thou hast been Thou forever will be.

Refrain. Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand has provided. Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

*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.)

Sermon and 2nd Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

“The Yep and Nope Brothers”

Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus was back in the Temple, teaching. He said, “Tell me what you think of this story: A man had two sons. He went up to the first and said, ‘Son, go out for the day and work in the vineyard.’ “The son answered, ‘I don’t want to.’ Later on he thought better of it and went. “The father gave the same command to the second son. He answered, ‘Sure, glad to.’ But he never went. “Which of the two sons did what the father asked?” They said, “The first.”

Jesus said, “Yes, and I tell you that crooks and prostitutes are going to precede you into God’s kingdom. John came to you showing you the right road. You turned up your noses at him, but the crooks and prostitutes believed him. Even when you saw their changed lives, you didn’t care enough to change and believe him.

Musical Offering

Janet Hill

Time for silent reflection

Opportunity To Present Offerings

Titus Toyama

All: Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because God’s given Jesus Christ, God’s Son. (Repeat) And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say, “I am rich” because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat) Give thanks. Give thanks.

*Doxology

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

Titus Toyama

Joys & Concerns

Titus Toyama

Choir Anthem

“Promised Land”

by Natalie Sleeth

Hymn of Reflection: “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” (#171)

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul He leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me, and on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing brought me.

In death’s dark dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Unison Prayer of Guidance

All: Now may the words of our mouths, the meditations 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: James 3:13

Miko Kumagai

Do you want to be counted wise, to build a reputation for wisdom? Here’s what you do: Live well, live wisely, live humbly. It’s the way you live, not the way you talk, that counts.

1st Scripture Reading: James 2:14-18

Titus Toyama

(The Message)

Dear friends, do you think you’ll get anywhere in this if you learn all the right words but never do anything? Does merely talking about faith indicate that a person really has it? For instance, you come upon an old friend dressed in rags and half-starved and say, “Good morning, friend! Be clothed in Christ! Be filled with the Holy Spirit!” and walk off without providing so much as a coat or a cup of soup - where does that get you? Isn’t it obvious that God-talk without God-acts is outrageous nonsense?..You can no more show me your works apart from your faith than I can show you my faith apart from my works. Faith and works, works and faith, fit together hand in glove.