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Please join us at 11:30 on September 11 Healthy Brain Aging



Presentation by

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The Celebration of Worship

September 4, 2022 • Labor Day Weekend Sunday

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave Worship Leader: Christine Umeda Pianist: Haruko Sakakibara

Japanese Reader: Haruko Sakakibara

Centering Prayer for Worship

(As we gather for worship, let's pause and remember that we are in God's holy presence.)

Gracious God, you are the hope of the world. Give us strength, that we might work for you; make us humble, that we might live for your glory alone. Amen.

Prelude Haruko Sakakibara

*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

Christine Umeda

Leader: It is good to rest from our work, and to sing praises to Your name, O God;

People: To declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night.

Leader: For Your steadfast love is great above the heavens, Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

All: We bless you, Almighty God. You are present with us in Word and Sacrament, by water and the Spirit, so we join with all your works in praising Your great glory.

*Opening Hymn: "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" (#482)

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

^{*} Those who can, please rise

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the amen sound from His people again; gladly for aye we adore Him.

Invitation to Confession

Christine Umeda

Leader: In worship and at work, in life and in loss, now and in every moment, Christ is among us: loving us, teaching us, and hoping to lead us. We're invited to bring our faults and foolishness, our brokenness and bitterness to our God, confessing our sins, so we might be made new. Join me, as we pray together.

Prayer of Confession

Christine Umeda

Leader: God of our lives, You ask us to love each other, and you are more than willing to teach us how. Yet we find this simple request so hard to carry out, this easy lesson so difficult to learn.

People: Someone cuts us off in traffic, and we curse them. A colleague gets the recognition we wanted, and we whisper about them behind their backs. Forgive us, Merciful God.

All: With Christ's Spirit in us, we can become the people you long for us to be: loving, gentle, and compassionate people of God.

Time for silent reflection and confession to God

Assurance of God's Grace

Christine Umeda

Leader: God's Spirit helps us repair our mistakes, rebuild our lives, and fills our emptiness with hope and peace.

All: Thanks be to God, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Response to God's Forgiveness

All Sing: 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 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: "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (#369)

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

*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.)

Postlude Haruko Sakakibara

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.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;

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When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

- from the Iona Community

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving Words of Institution Receiving the Elements

Opportunity To Present Offerings

Christine Umeda

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

Christine Umeda

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

Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

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: Ecclesiastes 9:10

Haruko Sakakibara

Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might

1st Scripture Reading: Psalm 90:1-2; 90:14, 16-17 Christine Umeda Psalm 90:1-2.

Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were born or You gave birth to the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

Psalm 90:14, 16-17.

O satisfy us in the morning with Your lovingkindness, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

Let Your work appear to Your servants and Your majesty to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us; And confirm for us the work of our hands; Yes, confirm the work of our hands."

Sermon & 2nd Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Sermon Series: The Spirituality of . . . Work

Aquila and Priscilla: Faith at Work

Acts 18:1-4

After Athens, Paul went to Corinth. That is where he discovered Aquila, a Jew born in Pontus, and his wife, Priscilla. They had just arrived from Italy, part of the general expulsion of Jews from Rome ordered by Claudius. Paul moved in with them, and they worked together at their common trade of tentmaking. But every Sabbath he was at the meeting place, doing his best to convince both Jews and Greeks about Jesus.

Musical Offering

Haruko Sakakibara

Time for silent reflection

Communion Hymn: "Let Us Break Bread Together" (#513)

Let us break bread together on our knees;

Let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.