

## In Appreciation:

Greeters:	Betsy Eskridge, Miyo Uchida
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Ushers:	Terri Bowman, Julie Chew
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Parking Barriers:	William Yee
Sound System:	Cathy Nishizaki
Zoom Moderator:	Lois Van Beers
Altar Flowers:	William & Judy Yee

In Celebration of Family & Friends

### *Christian Healing Ministry – Forgiveness*

“If you forgive others their sins,  
your heavenly Father will forgive you.”

– Jesus (Mathew 6:14)

1. Ask the Lord to help you forgive. (Philippians 4:13)
2. Ask the Lord to come in and heal that memory.
3. Forgive what has been done. (Matthew 6:15)
4. Release that person and what happened to the Lord.
5. Confess if you have wished them harm.
6. Ask God’s forgiveness (I John 1:9)
7. Ask God’s blessing upon them. (Luke 6:27-28)
8. Ask God’s blessing upon you.



## The Celebration of Worship

September 18, 2022 • 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave
Worship Leader:	Judy Fukuman
Pianist:	Wade Tambara
Japanese Reader:	Miyo Uchida

### Centering Prayer for Worship

*Transforming God, as we worship, may Your Holy Spirit shape us in ways we never imagined so that we may be the people of God doing the work of God in our community and world. Please touch others with Your mercy and saving grace through our lives as we live to bring You glory. Amen.*

Prelude

Wade Tambara

\*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

Centering Song: “There Is a Redeemer”

There is a Redeemer, Jesus God’s own Son; precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Refrain.* Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

*Refrain*

When I stand in glory, I will see his face; there I’ll serve my King forever in that holy place.

*Refrain*

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

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*\* Those who can, please rise*

## Call to Worship

Judy Fukuman

Leader: Come if you are chased by the demands of others. Come if you feel threatened by a loss of security. Come so that you might be strengthened and challenged.

**People: As we worship You, O God, lead us into life! Leader: Come if you need forgiveness. Come if you need the willingness to forgive others. Come so that you might be strengthened and challenged.**

**All: As we praise You for Your grace and glory, O God, lead us into life!**

## \*Opening Hymn: “Praise the Lord, God’s Glories Show” (#481)

Praise the Lord, God’s glories show, Al-le-lu-ia!

Saints within God’s courts below, Al-le-lu-ia!

Angels round the throne above, Al-le-lu-ia!

All that see and share God’s love. Al-le-lu-ia!

Earth to heaven and heaven to earth, Al-le-lu-ia!

Tell the wonders, sing God’s worth, Al-le-lu-ia!

Age to age and shore to shore, Al-le-lu-ia!

Praise God, praise forevermore! Al-le-lu-ia!

Praise the Lord, great mercies trace, Al-le-lu-ia!

Praise this providence and grace, Al-le-lu-ia!

All that God for us has done, Al-le-lu-ia!

All God sends us through the Son. Al-le-lu-ia!

## Invitation to Confession

Judy Fukuman

Leader: What God asks of us is to remember the promise: that God will be with us and work in us. Come before God now, expecting to experience God’s transforming presence. Let’s entrust our brokenness to God, that we may be made whole.

## Prayer of Confession

Judy Fukuman

Leader: Loving God, You long for us to be faithful and kind, to live as role models for a world desperate for healing and hope.

**People: But we know the mistakes we have made, the impatient words we have spoken, the trouble we have stirred up by our bad tempers and unforgiving hearts.**

Leader: We continue to do things that break Your heart, our brokenness leads us to disregard others and harm the planet.

## 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: “Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive” (#444 GtG)

*Sing to the tune of “Amazing Grace” (#288)*

“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” you taught us, Lord, to pray, but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew: what trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to you!

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease. Then, by your mercy reconciled, our lives will spread your peace.

## 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

Wade Tambara

*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.*

## 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: Luke 11:4

Miyo Uchida

Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.

## 1st Scripture Reading: Isaiah 1:16-18

Judy Fukuman

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.

“Come now, and let us reason together,” says the Lord, “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they will be like wool.”

## Sermon & 2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

*The Spirituality of...Forgiveness - Part 2*  
*Matthew 18:21-22*

Then Peter got up the nerve to ask, “Master, how many times do I forgive a brother or sister who hurts me? Seven?” Jesus replied, “Seven! Hardly. Try seventy times seven.”

## Musical Offering

Wade Tambara

*Time for silent reflection*

## Opportunity To Present Offerings

Judy Fukuman

**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

Judy Fukuman

**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

Judy Fukuman

## Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

**All:** Forgive us. Pour out Your merciful Spirit on us, and on our world, we pray. Amen.

*Time for silent reflection and confession to God*

## Assurance of God's Grace

Judy Fukuman

Leader: God doesn't love us if we change; God loves us so that we can change. Trusting in God's goodness and mercy, believe the good news of the gospel,

**All:** With gentleness, God speaks to us; with graciousness, God forgives us; with joy, God loves us. 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

Judy Fukuman

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

**All:** And also with you.

## Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

## Hymn of Reflection: “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” (#372)

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart.