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Toyohiko Kagawa 賀川 豊彦 10 July 1888 – 23 April 1960



## The Celebration of Worship

October 30, 2022 • Reformation Sunday

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Pianist:
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## Centering Prayer for Worship

Creative God, every year the world spins through its seasons and every season brings new opportunities and challenges. We wonder about the mysteries of nature and we wonder at the mysteries in our own lives. The season of autumn is a time of change. We can feel it in the shorter days, and in the cooler evening air. God of love, You never change. You remain faithful throughout history; to this church, to us, to our world. In this time of worship, as we pray and listen together to You, we open ourselves to the transforming power of Your kingdom, changing our hearts, our lives and our world. May we learn and grow, and always and forever remain Yours. In the name of Christ Who accompanies us, and the Holy Spirit Who guides us. Amen.

## Prelude

Nancy Arata-Fong

#### \*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

Tia Kilpatrick

## Call to Worship

Jana Nakase-Lee

Leader: Let's adore the Creator God of love who redeems us; Who sustains us every moment; Who has loved us with everlasting love.

# People: We praise you, Magnificent God; for You are Lord of all.

Leader: Relying on the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ; trusting in the wisdom of the Holy Spirit, we open our hearts to God. **All: Holy One, as we worship, fill us with Your Life. You alone are worthy of glory and honor and praise.** 

All: Gracious God, we come into Your presence with gratitude and joy. We open our lives to Your Spirit, so that we may be filled with Your love and light. Receive our thanks and praise!

## \*Opening Hymn: "To God Be the Glory" (#485)

To God be the glory; great things He has done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, who yielded His life an atonement for sin, and opened the lifegate that all may go in

*Refrain.* Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give Him the glory: great things He has done! Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He. Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear for God has willed His truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for Him. His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure. One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth; Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also. The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.

## Benediction

Jana Nakase-Lee

## \*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

Nancy Arata-Fong

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. Opportunity To Present Offerings Jana Nakase-Lee 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

Jana Nakase-Lee

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	Jana Nakase-Lee
Joys & Concerns	Janet Hill, Judy Yee
Congregational Prayer	Janet Hill, Judy Yee

## & 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: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (#260)

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal. Great things He has taught us; great things He has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see

*Refrain.* Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give Him the glory: great things He has done!

## Invitation to Confession

Leader: In worship and at work, now and in every moment, Christ is among us: loving us, teaching us, and hoping to lead us. But we often focus on details and desires that keep us from recognizing Him. Believing that God saves us by grace and fills us with faith, let's allow God's Spirit to lead us as we pray together to God.

## Prayer of Confession

Jana Nakase-Lee

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Leader: We have wounded your heart, gracious God, hoarding what we have, always grasping for more, judging or fearing those different from us. Forgive us.

People: Free our lives from grudges, resentment and hopelessness.

All: With Christ in our midst, we can become the people you dream about: loving, kind, courageous, and compassionate children of God.

Time for silent reflection and confession to God

## People: Out of the riches of grace, God pours blessings

Assurance of God's Grace

new life to us.

into our lives, giving us all we need in Jesus Christ, so we might live in hope and joy.

Leader: For God so loved the world; enough to become

one of us, enough to suffer along with us, enough to offer

All: Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

#### \*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 PeaceJana Nakase-LeeLeader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.All: And also with you.

## Children's Message

Sue Lorens

Jana Nakase-Lee

#### \*Hymn of Reflection: "For All the Saints" (#526)

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou was their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia! Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### 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: Ephesians 2:8 Aki Kumagai For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—

**1st Scripture Reading: Romans 1:16-17** Jana Nakase-Lee For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, "The one who is righteous will live by faith."

#### Sermon

A Visit with Reformer Toyohiko Kagawa

#### **Musical Offering**

Time for silent reflection

Nancy Arata-Fong