



THANKSGIVING SHOWTIME



NOVEMBER 17, 2024 : 11:20-12:30
AT SANCTUARY
PARKVIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
727 T STREET, SACRAMENTO

PROGRAM

Emcee: Jonathan Sakakibara

- Sora Davis: Piano "The Juggler" "Forest Drums" "Party Songs"
- Kara and Lexi Tanoue: Song with Ukulele
- Lucas Wright: Piano "Amazing Grace"
- Richard Tang: Taekwondo Presentation
- Hana Davis: Gymnastics Floor Routine
- Liam Wright: Piano "The Glow Worm" "Irish Wedding Dance"
- Kishwer Vikaas: "Stand-Up Comedy"
- Parkview Photo Club Presentation
- Sakura Chorus: "Raccoon Drumming at Shoji Temple" "Cosmos"
- Mayumi Hata (Sakura Chorus Pianist): Piano "Aubade" "Aqua" by Ryuichi Sakamoto
- Taeko Houston (Sakura Chorus Singer): Sharing Craft Work
- Parkview Presbyterian Church Choir: "Stand by Me"

---Thanksgiving Offering Donations---

- Donna T. Komure: Japanese Minyo Dancing,
Let's dance! "Ichi tasu Ichi (1 + 1)"

Join us for a Thanksgiving Coffee Hour in the Social Hall



The Celebration of Worship

November 17, 2024 • Thanksgiving Showtime Sunday

*"Piglet noticed that even though he had a Very Small Heart,
it could hold a rather large amount of Gratitude."*

- A. A. Milne

Pastor:

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Worship Leader:

Donna Komure-Toyama

Pianist:

Janet Hill

Choir Conductor:

Ben Pryor

Japanese Reader:

Michael Wright

Centering Prayer for Worship

Almighty God, the seasons turn but Your love is changeless. As we worship You today give us thankful and faithful hearts. We praise You for the brilliant blue sky, crisp breezes blowing, maple leaves dancing, the smell of hot cider, the taste of a perfect apple. We are eager for Your touch upon our lives. We wait expectantly for Your Spirit to work in us to make us more like our Beloved Savior Jesus Christ. 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.

** Those who can, please stand*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Call to Worship

Donna Komure-Toyama

Leader: Almighty God, open our eyes and hearts to see Your hand at work in the splendor of creation and in the beauty and diversity of human life.

People: Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, and share Your blessings with all who accompany us on our life's journey.

All: May we reflect Christ's goodness and glory in our lives, confident of His presence with us, empowered by His grace.

*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!

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 hath 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

Donna Komure-Toyama

Leader: What God asks of us is to remember that God will be with us and work within us and within the world. Let's draw near to God now, expecting to experience God's transforming presence. Let's entrust our brokenness to God, that we may be made whole.

*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

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:	Diane Younglove, Gary Younglove
Ushers:	William Yee, Gary Younglove
Parking Barriers (Sat):	William Yee
Parking:	Carl Odell
Sound System:	Cathy Nishizaki
Zoom Moderator/Greeter:	Aki Kumagai
Altar Flowers:	Jonathan & Haruko Sakakibara



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:** For the Beauty of the Earth (#473)

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth, over and around us lies,

Refrain. Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,

Refrain.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight,

Refrain.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,

Refrain.

***Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Prayer of Confession

Donna Komure-Toyama

Leader: Eternal God, we come to You stressed and fearful in the midst of the uncertainties and disappointments of life.

People: Preoccupied with news of conflict and despair, and with our own concerns, we forget to look up and notice the wonders You have made in this world. Open our hearts to recognize that we live in a world bursting with opportunities to show bravery, kindness and respect.

All: Help us be a church that practices gratitude as we partner with You to build the world into a beloved community that brings You joy.

A Time for Contemplation

This time of quiet is offered to encourage you to share your personal thoughts with God as well as listen to God through the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Assurance of God's Grace

Donna Komure-Toyama

Leader: God's love is more determined than our despair; God's joy is more resilient than our fear; God's grace is more powerful than our guilt and shame.

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

***Response to God's Forgiveness:** Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me (#582 Glory to God hymnal)

All Sing: Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Donna Komure-Toyama

Leader: As the forgiven and redeemed people of God, let us share our peace and joy with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

***Hymn of Reflection:** In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful
(#2195 black songbook)

Sing two times.

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near, lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

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 Scripture Reading: James 1:17 Michael Wright

So, my very dear friends, don't get thrown off course. Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of heaven. The gifts are rivers of light cascading down from God, the Father of Light.

2nd Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 3:8-9 Donna Komure-Toyama

Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love for one another, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or abuse for abuse; but, on the contrary, repay with a blessing. It is for this that you were called-that you might receive a blessing.

Sermon & 3rd Scripture Reading: Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

"The Wisdom of Piglet: Gratitude and Generosity"

2 Corinthians 9:8-11

God can pour on the blessings in astonishing ways so that you're ready for anything and everything, more than just ready to do what needs to be done. As one psalmist puts it,

They throw caution to the winds,
giving to the needy in reckless abandon.
Their right-living, right-giving ways
never run out, never wear out.

This most generous God who gives seed to the farmer that becomes bread for your meals is more than extravagant with you. God gives you something you can then give away, which grows into full-formed lives, robust in God, wealthy in every way, so that you can be generous in every way, producing with us great praise to God.

Musical Interlude

Janet Hill

Opportunity To Present Offerings

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

Donna Komure-Toyama

Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave