

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

June 14, 2020

*(*those who are able, please stand)*

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please read the parts in **bold**.)

Leader: Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah: The Spirit of the Lord

**People: has anointed me to bring good news to the poor
and release to the captives. (Luke 4:18)**

All: Let us worship Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*OPENING HYMN Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah #127

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, we live in frightening and stressful times. We see
injustice in our world and fear that your love, grace and protection
has disappeared. Forgive us for our fears, sins, apathy and lack of
action to help those who are suffering. Refill us with your Spirit and
give us a vision of your Kingdom's purpose and power. Assure us of
your love and grace, that we may ever hold fast the hope which is in
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

(Silent prayers may be offered.)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalms 85:1-13

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 5:1-8

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Enduring Hope"

Rev. Zebley

*HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

#121

THE OFFERING:

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*THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.*

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF WHOLENESS AND PROTECTION

The Lord's Prayer #895 (Please pray in your own language/tradition.)

*HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God

#102

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Zebley

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*June budget: ¥476,000

Received by May 31: ¥320,900

*for God's richest blessings on **June birthday folk** - Jim Sack (3rd);
Laura Ingulsrud (4th); Abigail Zebley (10th); Carolyn Morikawa (16th);
Shawn Seevers (19th); Mari McKenzie (21st); Augustine Canales (23rd);
Carol Sack (26th); Kristi Hoskins (28th); Yutaka Kakuma, Isaiah Zebley
(30th). (If your name is not on this list, please let Pastor know.)

WTUC Prayers of Celebration, Healing, Hope, and Mercy

- *Prayers for healing, racial justice and peace in the US in the wake of the tragic death of George Floyd. Prayers for all those involved in protests across the US and globally.
- *Prayers of blessing for Seme Nelson who has returned to South Sudan for time with his family before taking a leadership position in an international church agency in Finland.
- *Prayers for graduates of ASIJ. For Jacob Foster and Katherine Dillard. Praise for their accomplishments and prayers for guidance and grace as they prepare for college.
- *Prayers of wisdom, strength and good decision-making for governments worldwide.
Prayers for all churches for wisdom and power. 2 Timothy 1:7
- *Prayers of encouragement and peace for the mother of Peter Reis who is struggling with loneliness and depression in her retirement facility in CA.
- *Prayers for Zenora and David Rackham as Zenora recovers from stomach surgery and David needs relief from back pain. Prayers for protection, healing and strength.
- *Prayers for the church finances. Prayers of praise that online giving now works!
- *Prayers for Jim Sack for a continued good recovery from knee surgery.
- *Prayers for teachers, students and families during this time of online learning for encouragement and relief from stress.
- *Prayers of endurance and peace for families and individuals in home isolation.
- *Prayers for international students who are waiting to return home.
- *Prayers of protection and grace for elderly parents of members of our congregation.
- *Prayers of continued strength and encouragement for Yoki Muro.
- *Prayers for the youth in the congregation to continue to grow in spirit and numbers at WTUC, along with friends at ASIJ, CAJ and TUC and for Ann Tang as she serves as Youth Coordinator.
- *Prayers for the newly developing Tokyo Young Life Chapter and leaders, Megumi Sotherden and Kingsford Asare.
- *Prayers for Ron Carnahan's sister, Karen, as she recovers from surgery and continues with physical therapy. Prayers for thanksgiving that she has much more mobility. Prayers for continued healing, strength, and loving care-givers.

West Tokyo Union Church

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a church where all are welcome



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Ministers:	the people of West Tokyo Union Church
Pastor:	Rev. Christian Zebley
Liturgist:	Malcolm Foster
Organist:	Kazuko Sacon
Hospitality Coordinator:	Ann Tang
Prayer Coordinator:	Kayo Ozawa

Steering Committee:

Chair: Malcolm Foster; Membership: TBD; Member-at-large: Seme Nelson;
Outreach Coordinator: Yasu Nagase; Pastoral Relations: Carol Sack; Secretary:
Esther Yomoah; Treasurer: Mark Hisamatsu; Worship Coordinator: Betsy Terada;
Youth/CE Coordinator: Ruth Ingulsrud