**ORDER OF WORSHIP:** 

June 21, 2020

(\*those who are able, please stand)

WORDS OF WELCOME

**PRELUDE** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please read the parts in **bold.**) Leader: The kingdom of God has come near;

People: repent, and believe in the Good News. (Mark 1:15)
All: Let us worship Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

\*OPENING HYMN Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us #381

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of strength and courage, in Jesus Christ you set us free from sin and death, and call us to the risk of faith and service. Give us grace to follow him who gave himself for others, that, by our service, we may find the life he came to bring. As you delivered us from death through our baptism in Christ and the victory of his resurrection, send us forth to proclaim that glorious redemption, so that the world may claim the freedom of forgiveness and new life in you. We pray in the Name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. 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 GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 10:24-39

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 6:3-11

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Fear Not!" Rev. Dr. Jim Sack

\*HYMN Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee #175

THE OFFERING: https://wtuc.net/donate

#### \*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

BLESSING FOR FATHER'S DAY

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN Just as I Am, Without One Plea #357

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Sack

**POSTLUDE** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\*June budget: \(\frac{\pmathbf{4476,000}}{476.000}\)
Received by June 17: \(\frac{\pmathbf{1104,000}}{406.000}\)

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

## WTUC Prayers of Celebration, Healing, Hope, and Mercy

- \*Prayers for the Maasai Community of Olyoshoibio outside of Nairobi for protection, healing and recovery from the coronavirus. Prayers for the elderly and Cathy Berghahn's friend, Simeon's mother who is ill. Prayers for healing and protection.
- \*Prayers for healing, 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 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 have been unable to return to 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 and for a good summer vacation. Prayers for Ann Tang, WTUC 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. Continued prayers for healing and increased mobility.

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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 Preacher: Rev. Dr. Jim Sack Liturgist: Carol Sack 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