

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

October 25, 2020

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

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

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

Leader: He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you

People: but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6:8)

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

*OPENING HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy #64

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

I call on the Lord in my distress, and he answers me. Save me, O Lord, from lying lips and from deceitful tongues. What will he do to you, and what more besides, O deceitful tongue? Too long have I lived among those who hate peace and seek out war to justify their means. Teach me to be a person of peace, so that I may do my part in bringing love to the world. Please hear our prayer in the Name of Jesus, Our Lord and Saviour. Amen. (Adapted from Psalm 120)
(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

Psalm 122

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Zebley

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
Thanks be to God.

1 Peter 3:9-11

MESSAGE "Pursuing Peace" Mr. Wisdom Addo

*HYMN Let There Be Peace on Earth #431

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 THE PEOPLE

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

*HYMN God of Grace and Glory #577

*BENEDICTION Rev. Zebley

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*October budget: ¥476.00 Received as of 10/18: ¥384.000

*prayers for God's richest blessings on **October birthday folk** - Jonathan Sack (5th); Tony Canales, Julie Rogers (6th); Misae Urata (7th); Natalie Terada (15th); Katsuhiko Urata (17th); Betsy Terada (18th); Alec Ingulsrud, Elsa Ingulsrud (21st); Allie Rogers (24th). (If your name is not on this list, please let Pastor know.)

WTUC Prayers of Celebration, Healing, Hope, and Mercy

- *Prayers for West Tokyo Union Church in our new 2020-21 Church Year. Prayers for our leadership, members, youth, children and friends of the congregation.
- *For Ann Tang and her family as they remember her loving father who passed away this past week in Malaysia. Prayers of strength, comfort and grace during this time.
- *Prayers of healing for thousands suffering with the coronavirus worldwide. Prayers for effective medical treatment, vaccines as well as willingness to follow safety precautions to bring the pandemic to an end.
- *Prayers for the United States during the upcoming Presidential election. Prayers for peace, civility, protection and unity among leaders and communities.
- *Prayers for the mother of Peter Reis who is in a nursing home in Sacramento, CA. Prayers for encouragement and strength as she is far from family and feeling isolated.
- *Prayers for Stephen Eskildsen and his family as they remember the passing of their mother, Marion Sorlie Eskildsen who served in Japan many years as a Lutheran missionary.
- *Prayers of safety, protection, recovery and encouragement for many on the West Coast of the US coping with the fires. Prayers for those who have lost property and loved ones and for the brave men and women fighting the fires and their families.
- *Prayers of healing and recovery for Pastor Claudia Genung-Yamamoto of Kobe Union Church who recently broke her wrist and is now recovering from surgery.
- *Prayers of endurance and peace for families and individuals still in home isolation.
- *Prayers of protection and grace for elderly parents of members of our congregation.
- *Prayers of strength and encouragement for Yoki Muro.
- *Prayers for Ron Carnahan's sister, Karen, as she recovers from surgery and continues with physical therapy. She can now walk 30 steps a day. Continued prayers for healing and increased mobility.

Our guest speaker today Wisdom Addo is a Rotary Peace Fellow and the Executive Director at the West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation (WACPF), a non-governmental organization that serves the youth in schools and communities through education on human rights, leadership training, and peace building in Ghana. Wisdom also serves as the Africa Chapter Coordinator for the PeaceJam Foundation-USA. His work aims to provide peace education to the youth and focuses on acquiring and advancing capacities, skills, values, and knowledge, thus contributing to establishing a global and sustainable culture of peace. Wisdom is currently an M.A candidate in Peace Studies at the Rotary Peace Center, International Christian University (ICU) in Mitaka, Japan.

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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:	Mr. Wisdom Addo
Liturgist:	Pastor Zebley
Organist:	Kazuko Sacon
Hospitality Coordinators:	Akiko Nishikata and Ann Tang
Youth Coordinator:	Ann Tang
Prayer Coordinator:	Kayo Ozawa

Steering Committee:

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