

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

October 4, 2020

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

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRELUDE

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

Leader: "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast.

People: it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way. It is not irritable or resentful. (1 Corinthians 13:4-5)

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

*OPENING HYMN The Church's One Foundation #545

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear Loving God, thank you for giving us life, provision and the ability to help and love others. As we walk with you each day, teach us to display the marks of lives that have been supernaturally changed by Jesus Christ. While the world around us is speeding by, our hearts often give way to fear and we easily lose our patience with situations and people. Forgive us. Remind us that You are always there as the Good Shepherd who protects, sustains and guides us. Help us to overcome evil with good and shine as your lights in a broken world. Make us ambassadors of reconciliation. We pray in the Name of the 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 OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalms 40:1-8

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Ruth Ingulsrud

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-6

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Fruit of the Spirit: Patience" Pastor Zebley

*HYMN Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart #500

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

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee #430

*BENEDICTION Rev. Zebley

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*October budget: ¥476.00

Sept. received: **¥196.500**

*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.
- *Prayers of thanksgiving for a wonderful WTUC Youth Retreat at Lake Nojiri! Prayers for continued growth of our youth in community, Biblical knowledge and love for God.
- *Prayers of healing for US President and Melania Trump as well as thousands suffering with the corona virus worldwide. Prayers for effective medical treatment, vaccines as well as willingness to follow safety precautions to end the pandemic.
- *Prayer for the Goto family in Hawaii as they grieve the passing of their husband and father Arnold from heart failure. He served as the President of the Hawaii Baptist Foundation. He was a friend of Ron Carnahan who was able to visit him in Dec.
- *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 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 wisdom, strength and good decision-making for governments worldwide. Prayers for all churches and church leaders for wisdom and power. 2 Timothy 1:7
- *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 worship services are currently hybrid: in-person and online for Fall, 2020. You may come to worship in person or worship online via WTUC's Facebook page. Please do not come to church if you feel sick or have a fever. We would ask that you also wear a mask, use hand-sanitizer and practice social distancing in worship.

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 Coordinators:	Akiko Nishida 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