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# TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ENGLISH AND JAPANESE JOINT WORSHIP AUGUST 17, 2025 • 10:00 am ORDER OF WORSHIP

(Please be sure to silence your cell phones. Thank you!)

PRELUDE 前奏: - Shane Cantanho

**CANDLE LIGHTERS**: — Logan and Kaylee

WELCOME 歓迎: — Mark Teagle, Director of Spiritual Formation, Community Engagement, and Music

\*CALL TO WORSHIP 招きの言葉: - Roger Miller

Leader: We come together this morning, knowing that following Jesus means standing for truth, even when it's difficult.

People: We are here this morning at Wesley, willing to be the ones who speak up for those who are the margins, even when it brings strife.

Leader: Jesus calls us to follow him, even when it

means standing apart from the crowd.

People: We will walk in the way of truth, trusting that God's justice will guide us through and grant us strength for the journey.

Leader: Let us continue our worship this morning, knowing that even in moments of division, God's peace is with us.

ALL: We open our hearts to the call of Christ, ready to stand firm for what is right!

# \*OPENING PRAYER 祈祷: - Roger Miller

Gracious God, we gather as your people, acknowledging that the path of discipleship is not always an easy one. Jesus warned us that following him could lead to division, as the truth he brought often confronted the status quo of his day. Help us to stand firm in the face of division, to speak truth with love, and to trust in your guiding presence even when it feels difficult. May we find the courage to follow Jesus, knowing that his path leads to a peace beyond understanding. In his name, we pray. Amen.

## \*SONG: "Stir in Me" – Wesley Praise Band

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Stir in me a fire that the world cannot explain.

I come to worship you.

Stir in me a passion that my heart cannot contain. I come to worship you.

Hold me, break me, mold me and make me more and more like you. I come to worship you. To love you, fear you,

draw ever near you as I worship you.

I come to worship you, O Lord.

Stir in me a fire that the world cannot explain.

I come to worship you.

Stir in me a passion that my heart cannot contain. I come to worship you.

Hold me, break me, mold me and make me more and more like you. I come to worship you. To love you, fear you,

draw ever near you as I worship you. I come to worship you, O Lord.

## \*SONG: "Sacrifice of Praise" - Wesley Praise Band

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Oh— Oh— Oh—

We bring to you the sacrifice of praise.

Give thanks to you with all our voices raised. For you are good, for your mercy never fails. We celebrate before the Throne of Grace. For you are great and greatly to be praised. For you are good, for your mercy never fails.

Oh— Oh— Oh— We bring to you the sacrifice of praise. Give thanks to you with all our voices raised. For you are good, for your mercy never fails. We celebrate before the Throne of Grace. For you are great and greatly to be praised. For you are good, for your mercy never fails.

You are good. You are good. You are good, for your mercy never fails. You are good. You are good. You are good, for your mercy never fails.

For you are good, for your mercy never fails. For you are good, for your mercy never fails. For you are good, for your mercy never fails.

For you are good, for your mercy never fails. For you are good, for your mercy never fails. For you are good, for your mercy never fails.

**RALLY SUNDAY: Introducing our Gods' Garden teachers** 

- Rev. John Oda, Senior Pastor and Kelli Martines, Director of Administration
  - Nursery (Sacred Seedlings): Mari Fujii, Christine Ozawa,
     Mika Visitacion
  - ◆Pre-K—2nd Grade (Best Buds/Super Sprouts): Mary Asano, Lisa Bantilan, Leighton Horio, Jayne Williams, Kiyomi Yanai
  - •3rd-5th Grades (Giving Tree): Rob Hikido, Clarissa Johnston-Abril, Jim Mar
  - Introducing our Youth Director: Vanessa Perry-Mar

#### **RALLY SUNDAY: Presenting our 3rd grade Bibles**

- Rev. John Oda
  - Arissa, Kenton, Logan, Miles and Oliver

### **RALLY SUNDAY: Blessing of the Backpacks**

- Rev. John Oda and Kiyomi Yanai

#### Children and Youth are excused to their classes.

## SCRIPTURE 聖書: - Roger Miller

Luke 12:49-56

<sup>49</sup>"I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided,

three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

<sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

JAPANESE SCRIPTURE聖書: - Yoshiko Sasaki 佐々木美子ルカによる福音書12章49節-56節(新共同訳)

<sup>49</sup>「わたしが来たのは、地上に火を投ずるためである。その火が既に燃えていたらと、どんなに願っていることか。 <sup>50</sup>しかし、わたしには受けねばならない洗礼がある。それが終わるまで、わたしはどんなに苦しむことだろう。 <sup>51</sup>あなたがたは、わたしが地上に平和をもたらすために来たと思うのか。そうではない。言っておくが、むしろ分裂だ。 <sup>52</sup>今から後、一つの家に五人いるならば、三人は二人と、二人は三人と対立して分かれるからである。 <sup>53</sup>父は子と、子は父と、母は娘と、娘は母と、しゅうとめは嫁と、嫁はしゅうとめと、対立して分かれる。」

<sup>54</sup>イエスはまた群衆にも言われた。「あなたがたは、雲が西に出るのを見るとすぐに、『にわか雨になる』と言う。実際そのとおりになる。<sup>55</sup>また、南風が吹いているのを見ると、『暑くなる』と言う。事実そうなる。<sup>56</sup>偽善者よ、このように空や地の模様を見分けることは知っているのに、どうして今の時を見分けることを知らないのか。」

# MESSAGE <u>説教</u>: "Speaking Truth in Love"

- Rev. John Oda, Senior Pastor

### **SONG**: "Instrument of Peace" – Wesley Praise Band

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Lord, make me an instrument of peace, an instrument of peace.

Lord, make me an instrument of peace, an instrument of peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is darkness, let me sow light. For in the giving, we shall receive, and in the dying, we're given life.

Lord, make me an instrument of peace, an instrument of peace. Lord, make me an instrument of peace, an instrument of peace.

Where there is sorrow, let me sow hope. Where there is doubt, let me sow faith. Where there is injury, your pardon give, your consolation to those in pain.

Lord, make me an instrument of peace, an instrument of peace.

Lord, make me an instrument of peace, an instrument of peace.

Amen, amen.

## COLLECTION OF OUR OFFERING 献金: — Roger Miller

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** — Shane Cantanho

Today's Altar Flowers are given in honor of God's Garden Teachers

#### **FINANCE and TRUSTEES UPDATE:**

- Lori Tabuchi, Finance Chair
- Dave Brown, Chair, Board of Trustees

#### \*DOXOLOGY 頌栄: - Shane Cantanho

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

#### In Japanese:

A-me-tsu-chi ko-zo-ri-te Ka-shi-ko-mi ta-ta-e-yo Mi-me-gu-mi a-fu-ru-ru Chi-chi mi-ko mi-ta-ma wo. Amen

## \*OFFERTORY PRAYER 祈祷: - Roger Miller

God of justice and truth, we offer these gifts as a sign of our commitment to follow you. May they be used to support the work of truth and justice in the world. May our offerings help bring light into dark places. Give us the strength to speak truth in love and to stand with the oppressed, the marginalized, and the outcast. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

### PASTORAL PRAYER <u>牧会祈祷</u>: — Rev. John Oda

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## \*HYMN: "For the Healing of the Nations"

UMH #428 - Wesley Praise Band

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For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord; for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords; to a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word, help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release, that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace. Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase, fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned; pride of status, race, or schooling,

dogmas that obscure your plan. In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span, may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind; for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind, that by our response and service earth its destiny may find, earth its destiny may find.

\*BENEDICTION 祝祷: - Rev. John Oda

## \*RESPONSE 応答: - "Go Now In Peace"

- Wesley Praise Band

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Go now in peace, never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

# POSTLUDE MUSIC 後奏: — Postlude

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\*Please stand if you are able.