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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ENGLISH AND JAPANESE JOINT WORSHIP
SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 • 10:00 am**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE 前奏: – Praise Band

WELCOME 歓迎: — Rev. John Oda, Senior Pastor

***CALL TO WORSHIP** 招きの言葉:

– Aton Abril

One: When we are surrounded on every side,
wondering which way is up and which way is down...

Many: Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

One: When we question which way to go and how to
follow God's path for us...

Many: Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

One: When we find our rest in God and long for
others to know the sweet peace of God's embrace...

Many: Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

One: Today, as we gather for worship, may we come ready to listen and discern God's help that meets us right where we are.

Many: Help us, God, to receive your help and to extend your help to our neighbors, all for the glory of your name.

***OPENING PRAYER 祈禱:** – Aton Abril

Unshakable and merciful God, you meet us in the ruins just as surely as in times of rejoicing. When all feels lost, you are not. When we stumble for answers, you remain our refuge. Receive these gifts, given not from abundance alone but from hearts that still dare to trust. Let them be signs of your presence in broken places, tools of healing, hope, and grace in a hurting world. Help us live our praise, even in lament, as your people who believe in your goodness—still. Amen.

***SONG: “10,000 Reasons” – Wesley Praise Band**

Words and music by Jonas Myrin & Matt Redman

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Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
worship God's holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul!

I'll worship your holy name!

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me.
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
worship God's holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship your holy name!

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger,
your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing;
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
worship God's holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship your holy name!

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
the end draws near and my time has come.
Still my soul will sing your praise unending!
Ten thousand years, and then forever more!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;

worship God's holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship your holy name!
Lord, I'll worship your holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
worship God's holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship your holy name!
Lord, I'll worship your holy name.
I'll worship your holy name.
Lord, I'll worship your holy name.

***SONG: "Reckless Love" – Wesley Praise Band**

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Before I spoke a word,
you were singing over me.
You have been so, so good to me.
Before I took a breath,
you breathed your life in me.
You have been so, so kind to me.

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God.
Oh, it chases me down, fights till I'm found,
leaves the ninety nine.

I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it.
Still you give yourself away.
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God.

When I was your foe,
still your love fought for me.
You have been so, so good to me.
When I felt no worth,
you paid it all for me.
You have been so, so kind to me.

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God.
Oh, it chases me down, fights till I'm found,
leaves the ninety nine.
I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it.
Still you give yourself away.
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God.

There's no shadow you won't light up,
mountain you won't climb up
coming after me.
There's no wall you won't kick down,
lie you won't tear down
coming after me.

There's no shadow you won't light up,
mountain you won't climb up
coming after me.

There's no wall you won't kick down,
lie you won't tear down
coming after me.

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God.

Oh, it chases me down, fights till I'm found,
leaves the ninety nine.

I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it.
Still you give yourself away.

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,
reckless love of God.

Children dismissed to their classes.

ANTHEM: “There Is a Balm in Gilead” — Chancel Choir

African-American Spiritual

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CERTIFIED LAY SERVANT RECOGNITION: Aton Abril

– Rev. John Oda

SCRIPTURE 聖書: — Aton Abril

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

¹⁸My joy is gone; grief is upon me; my heart is sick.

¹⁹Listen! The cry of the daughter of my people from far and wide in the land: "Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") ²⁰"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." ²¹For the brokenness of the daughter of my people I am broken, I mourn, and horror has seized me. ²²Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of the daughter of my people not been restored? ^{9:1}O that my head were a spring of water and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!

JAPANESE SCRIPTURE聖書:

– Taihei Shigemori 重森泰平
エレミヤ書8章18-23節(新共同訳)

¹⁸わたしの嘆きはつのもりわたしの心は弱り果てる。¹⁹見よ、遠い地から娘なるわが民の叫ぶ声がする。「主はシオンにおられないのかシオンの王はそこにおられないのか。」なぜ、彼らは偶像によって異教の空しいものによってわたしを怒らせるのか。²⁰刈り入れの時は過ぎ、夏は終わった。しかし、我々は救われなかった。²¹娘なるわが民の破滅のゆえにわたしは打ち砕かれ、嘆き、恐怖に襲われる。²²ギレアドに乳香がないというのかそこには医者がないのか。なぜ、娘なるわが民の傷はいえないのか。²³わ

たしの頭が大水の源となりわたしの目が涙の源となればよいのに。そうすれば、昼も夜もわたしは泣こう
娘なるわが民の倒れた者のために。

MESSAGE 説教: “We Lament: ‘How Long, O Lord?’”

– Mark Teagle, Director of Spiritual Formation,
Community Engagement, and Music

SONG: “By the Waters of Babylon” – Wesley Praise Band

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By the waters, the waters, the waters of Babylon
we lay down and wept, and wept, for thee, Zion.
We remembered thee, remembered thee,
remembered thee, Zion.

COLLECTION OF OUR OFFERING 献金: — Aton Abril

OFFERTORY MUSIC: – Praise Band

“Gratitude” – Ivan Vielma and Wesley Praise Band

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***DOXOLOGY 頌栄: – Wesley Praise Band**

"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 祈禱:** — Aton Abril

Unshakable and Holy God, we bring these gifts before you, not as mere offerings, but as acts of faith in your unshakable kingdom. Though the world around us trembles, we trust in your steadfast love, knowing that in Christ, we are welcomed, transformed, and sent forth to serve. Bless these gifts, that they may be used to build your justice and mercy, bringing hope to the broken and light to the weary. With grateful hearts, we offer ourselves alongside these gifts, that we may be signs of your grace in the world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER 牧会祈禱: — 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: “Great Is Your Faithfulness” UMH #140**

— Wesley Praise Band

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Great is your faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with you;
you never change, your compassions, they don't fail;
as you have been, you'll forever stay true.

Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed your hand has provided;
great is your faithfulness, Lord, to me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness

to your great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed your hand has provided;
great is your faithfulness, Lord, to me.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endures,
your own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed your hand has provided;
great is your faithfulness, Lord, to me.

***BENEDICTION 祝禱:** – Mark Teagle

***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: — Shane Cantanho

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