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# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT ENGLISH AND JAPANESE JOINT WORSHIP DECEMBER 7, 2025 • 10:00 am ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE 前奏: - Shane Cantanho

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP 招きの言葉: – Ted Hasegawa

One: Jesus comes into our homes and our hearts not to add a burden, but to offer peace.

All: We welcome Christ, and we make room for his presence.

One: This morning at Wesley Church, we will bring our full lives, our schedules, our worries, and our distractions.

All: And we will lay them down at the feet of Jesus. One: Jesus says, "There is need of only one thing."

# All: Teach us to choose the better part - to be with you. Amen.

# \*OPENING PRAYER 祈祷: - Ted Hasegawa

During December and Christmas time, we are often "Martha-busy", pulled in a thousand directions. We try to hold everything together. We want to serve you but our lives get busy and crowded. Today, help us make space. Quiet the noise inside us. Unclench our grip on what feels urgent. Give us the grace to choose the "one thing", your presence, your voice, your peace. Meet us here, not because we've earned it, but because you are good. Amen.

# \*SONG: "Prince of Peace" – Wesley Praise Band

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You are holy (you are holy).
You are mighty (you are mighty).
You are worthy (you are worthy),
worthy of praise (worthy of praise).
I will follow (I will follow);
I will listen (I will listen);
I will love you (I will love you)
all of my days (all of my days).

#### I will sing to and worship

You are Lord of lords, you are King of kings, the king who is worthy.

you are mighty God, Lord of ev'rything.

I will love him, adore him,

You're Emmanuel, you're the Great I Am,
and I will bow down before him.

you're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb.

#### I will sing to and worship

You're my Living God, you're my saving grace. the king who is worthy.

You will reign forever, you are Ancient of Days.

I will love and adore him,

You are Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End.

I will bow down before him.

You're my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer and Friend.

You're my Prince of Peace, and I will live my life for you.

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#### **ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING:**

Todd Ninokata & Natasha Odama and family

Reader 1: Welcome to Advent: An Advent of Renewal. Today we practice making space—creating room for God's presence.

Reader 2: Scripture tells of a home filled with activity, where Jesus invites a shift from being pulled in many directions to choosing the "one thing" that matters.

Reader 1: Peace comes when we unclench, simplify, and become present to Christ—right here, right now. Reader 2: We light the candle of peace, asking God to quiet the noise within us and make room for holy presence.

(Light the 2nd candle.)

**COMMUNION**: — Rev. John Oda, Senior Pastor

**SONG: "In Remembrance of Me"** – Wesley Praise Band

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In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine. In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor. In remembrance of me, open the door and let your neighbors in, let them in.

Take, eat, and be comforted; drink and remember, too,

that this is my body and precious blood shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.
In remembrance of me, always love.
In remembrance of me, don't look above, but in your heart, look for God.
Do this in remembrance of me.

## **SONG**: "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

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Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend; Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men? Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,
Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way,
oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

You are the one that we praise, you are the one we adore;

you give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for, oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving your own; here in our weakness you find us falling before your throne, oh, we're falling before your throne.

You are the one that we praise, you are the one we adore; you give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for, oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Children and Youth dismissed to their classes.

#### **ANTHEM:**

# "God's Kingdom Now Is Come" — Chancel Choir

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# **SCRIPTURE 聖書:** — Ted Hasegawa

Luke 10:38-42

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain

village where a woman named Martha welcomed him.

39 She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet
and listened to what he was saying. 40 But Martha was
distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and
asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to
do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me."

41 But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are
worried and distracted by many things, 42 but few things
are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the
better part, which will not be taken away from her."

JAPANESE SCRIPTURE 聖書: - Akiko Buchananブキャナン明子ルカによる福音書10章38節-42節(新共同訳)

38一行が歩いて行くうち、イエスはある村にお入りになった。すると、マルタという女が、イエスを家に迎え入れた。<sup>39</sup>彼女にはマリアという姉妹がいた。マリアは主の足もとに座って、その話に聞き入っていた。<sup>40</sup>マルタは、いろいろのもてなしのためせわしく立ち働いていたが、そばに近寄って言った。「主よ、わたしの姉妹はわたしだけにもてなしをさせていますが、何ともお思いになりませんか。手伝ってくれるようにおっしゃってください。」<sup>41</sup>主はお答えになった。「マルタ、マルタ、あなたは多くのことに思い悩み、心を乱している。<sup>42</sup>しかし、必要なことはただ一つだけである。マリアは良い方を選んだ。それを取り上げてはならない。」

#### MESSAGE 説教:

# "The One Thing" — Rev. John Oda, Senior Pastor

# **SONG**: "Power of Your Love" – Wesley Praise Band

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Lord, I come to you,
let my heart be changed, renewed,
flowing from the grace that I've found in you.
And Lord, I've come to know
the weaknesses I see in me
will be stripped away by the pow'r of your love.

Hold me close, let your love surround me. Bring me near, draw me to your side.
And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle, and I will soar with you, your Spirit leads me on in the pow'r of your love.

Lord, unveil my eyes,
let me see you face to face,
the knowledge of your love as you live in me.
Lord, renew my mind,
as your will unfolds in my life,
in living every day in the pow'r of your love.

Hold me close, let your love surround me.

Bring me near, draw me to your side. And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle, and I will soar with you, your Spirit leads me on in the pow'r of your love.

# COLLECTION OF OUR OFFERING 献金: — Ted Hasegawa

OFFERTORY MUSIC: — Shane Cantanho "Over the Rainbow" a la "Iz"

Altar flowers are given by the Matsui, Kiyomura, and Morita grandchildren and great grandchildren in memory of James and Misaye Yamaguchi; Tadao & Lorraine Tokimoto; and Fumio Higashihara.

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"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Words by Thomas Ken, Music by Luis Bourgeois Public Domain

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: - Ted Hasegawa

God of abundance, we give these gifts as an act of trust. We release what we cling to, so our hands and our hearts can be open to you. Use what we offer to bless others, strengthen this church, and create space in this world for mercy, justice, and love. And as we give, shape us into people who choose what matters most. Amen.

#### PASTORAL PRAYER 牧会祈祷: — 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,

# \*HYMN: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH #196

Wesley Praise Band

and the glory, forever. Amen.

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Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to they glorious throne.

\*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.

# POSTLUDE MUSIC 後奏: — Shane Cantanho

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\*Please stand if you are able.