



Wesley United Methodist Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT JOINT ENGLISH & JAPANESE WORSHIP

March 3, 2024 • 10:00 am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE 前奏 – Shane Cantanho, piano

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP** 招きの言葉 (L.-Liturgist; P.-People)
– Jan Yamaguchi

L: There is a time for every thing, and this is the time that we gather to worship God.

P: We ask God to guide us this morning.

L: May God show us what we might tear down and what we might build up.

P: We ask God to strengthen us this morning.

L: May God show us what we might let go of and what we might keep.

P: We ask God to enlighten us this morning.

L: May God open our eyes to what is most precious in our lives.

All: We ask God to celebrate with us this morning here at Wesley Church!

***OPENING PRAYER 祈禱** – Jan Yamaguchi

Lord, I come before you in humbleness and pray that, in your mercy and kindness, you would help us to simply let go. Help us to let go of all the fears and worries, problems and doubts, guilt and disappointments. Help us to let go of the material items that clutter our lives. Help us to let go of all the things that get in the way of having a deeper relationship with you. Amen.

***SONG: “Gather Us In”** – Wesley Praise Band

Words and music by Marty Haugen

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Here in this place new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away,
see in this space our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in the lost and forsaken,

gather us in the blind and the lame'
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young—our lives are a mystery,
we are the old—who yearn for your face,
we have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in—the rich and the haughty,
gather us in—the proud and the strong;
give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, lightyears away,
but here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,

gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in—all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE: — Mark Teagle

COMMUNION: — Rev. John Oda, Senior Pastor

SONG: “All Who Are Thirsty” – Wesley Praise Band

Words and music by Brenton Brown and Glenn Robertson

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All who are thirsty, all who are weak,
come to the fountain,
dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away
in the waves of his mercy,
as deep cries out to deep.

We sing,
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,
come to the fountain,
dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away

in the waves of his mercy,
as deep cries out to deep.

We sing,
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come.

As deep cries out to deep.
As deep cries out to deep.
As deep cries out to deep.

We sing,
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.
Come, Lord Jesus, come.

SONG: “Amazing Grace” UMH #378 – Wesley Praise Band

*Words by John Newton Music 19th century American melody
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Amazing grace! how sweet the sound

that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Children, youth, and teachers excused to their classes.

CHOIR ANTHEM:

"Down in the Valley to Pray" – Chancel Choir

Words and music traditional, arr. by Jay Althouse

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SCRIPTURE聖書: — Jan Yamaguchi

Ecclesiastes 3:1-6, 10-13 (NRSV)

¹For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven:

²a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

³a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;

⁴a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

⁵a time to throw away stones,
and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace,
and a time to refrain from embracing;

⁶a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

¹⁰I have seen the business that God has given to everyone
to be busy with.

¹¹He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover
he has put a sense of past and future into their minds,
yet they cannot find out what God has done from the
beginning to the end. ¹²I know that there is nothing
better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves

as long as they live; ¹³moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil.

JAPANESE SCRIPTURE聖書: – Hikaru Bakoshi 馬越ひかる
コヘレトの言葉3章1節-6節、10節-13節（新共同訳）

¹何事にも時があり、
天の下の出来事にはすべて定められた時がある。

²生まれる時、死ぬ時、
植える時、植えたものを抜く時、

³殺す時、癒す時、
破壊する時、建てる時、

⁴泣く時、笑う時、
嘆く時、踊る時、

⁵石を放つ時、石を集める時、
抱擁の時、抱擁を遠ざける時、

⁶求める時、失う時、
保つ時、放つ時。

¹⁰わたしは、神が人の子らにお与えになった務めを見極めた。¹¹神はすべてを時宜にかなうように造り、また、永遠を思う心を人に与えられる。それでもなお、神のなさる業を始めから終りまで見極めることは許されていない。

¹²わたしは知った
人間にとって最も幸福なのは
喜び楽しんで一生を送ることだ、と

¹³人だれもが飲み食いし
その労苦によって満足するのは

神の賜物だ、と。

VIDEO: “Simply Lent”

MESSAGE 説教: “Simply Lent: Simply Let Go”

— Rev. John Oda, Senior Pastor

CANDLELIGHTING RITUAL: — Rev. John Oda

Music by Shane Cantanho

COLLECTION OF OUR OFFERING 献金 : — Jan Yamaguchi

OFFERTORY MUSIC — Shane Cantanho

***DOXOLOGY 頌栄** — Shane Cantanho

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" words by Thomas Ken | music by Luis Bourgeois | words and music 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 o. Amen

***OFFERTORY PRAYER 祈祷** — Jan Yamaguchi

God of Grace, multiply these tithes and offerings so that this church's ministry and mission may radically change lives and create new opportunities for us to be of service to a community in need. We pray that these gifts may help all your people. In the name of Jesus, we pray.
Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER 牧会祈祷: — Rev. John Oda

***HYMN** 赞美歌: “As the Deer” – Wesley Praise Band

Words and music by Martin Nystrom

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As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after you.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield;
to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship you.

You're my friend and you are my brother
even though you are a king.
I love you more than any other,
so much more than anything.

You alone are my strength, my shield;
to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship you.

I want you more than gold or silver,
only you can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
and the apple of my eye.

You alone are my strength, my shield;
to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship you.

***BENEDICTION 祝禱:** – Rev. John Oda

***RESPONSE 応答 – “Go Now In Peace”** – Shane Cantanho

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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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