



Loving God, Serving Others, Transforming Lives.

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PRELUDE 前奏

O Worship the King

RiverBells Lite

We invite you to quietly prepare yourself for worship.

WELCOME & PRAYER 歓迎と祈禱

Rev. Motoe Yamada Foor

***CALL TO WORSHIP 招き**

One: A great teacher once said, "When Jesus Christ calls us, he bids us come and die" (*Dietrich Bonhoeffer, The Cost of Discipleship*). We are the people who have responded to this call.

All: Through Christ, we want to die to the fears that keep us from loving.

One: Through Christ, we want to die to the stubbornness that keeps us from sharing our gifts.

All: Through Christ, we want to die to seeking our own success and salvation in disregard for the good of all God's children.

One: This is God's promise, that if we die with Christ, we will also rise with Christ.

All: God be praised for the glorious promise of new life in Christ. Alleluia.

***OPENING HYMN 讚美歌**

"Lift Every Voice and Sing" (v. 1)

UM Hymnal #519

*1. Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty;
let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea.*

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;

sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;

facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.

ACT OF KINDNESS TESTIMONY

Shigeko Shibata

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SCRIPTURE LESSON

Loretta Ashizawa

Luke 13:1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

ANTHEM 讚美歌

'Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus

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MESSAGE 説教

"If it Bears Fruit"

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PREPARATION FOR PRAYER 賛美歌

"Gather Us In" (v. 4)

Faith We Sing #2236

*4. Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light-years 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.

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER 牧会祈祷

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THE LORD’S PRAYER 主の祈り

Our Father, 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.

***CLOSING HYMN** 讚美歌

“Amazing Grace” (v. 4)

UM Hymnal #378

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

***BENEDICTION** 頌栄

POSTLUDE

Take My Life and Let It Be

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SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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