

4th Sunday of Easter – May 8, 2022 – 8:30am & 10:30am

Order of Worship

The Community Gathers

Lighting of Altar Candles

Gathering Music -

A Word of Greeting and Welcome/Centering Words ~

Minister Ainise Isama'u

Christ is our shepherd, who knows us and calls us. Our shepherd gives us eternal life; no one can snatch us from his hand.

Opening Hymn* - *“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

(8:30) Faith Chancel Choir

“Beautiful Day”

(10:30) One Love Band

Giving God Glory As We Come To Worship

Call to Worship (L: Leader P: People)-

(8:30) Minister Ainise Isama'u, (10:30) Tam Kobayashi

L: Christ is our shepherd.

P: We are Christ's sheep.

L: The shepherd is calling us to join God's flock.

P: We will follow our shepherd.

L: Rejoice, little one, for no one can snatch us from the shepherd's hand.

P: In God's flock, we rest secure.

L: Come! Let us worship.

Opening Prayer

(8:30) Minister Ainise Isama'u, (10:30) Tam Kobayashi

Loving Shepherd, in the midst of sorrow and loss, you wipe away every tear from our eyes. May the wonders of your love reach down to us this day. As Peter raised Tabitha from the dead, raise us also to new life. Help us cling no longer to the darkness threatening to overcome our world, that we may reside in the glory of the Lamb. Wake us from the slumber that numbs our spirit, even as you nourish us in the strength of your Spirit. May the world see the shepherd living in us, and may we come to dwell in your pastures, which remain ever green. Amen

Message for the Children (In Us All)

Darrell Mark

Special Message – Mother's Day

Choral Anthem – *“Head to Toe”*

Only By Faith

The Word of God for the people of God

Scripture Lesson: Acts 9:36-43

(8:30) Minister Ainise Isama'u, (10:30) Tam Kobayashi

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them, and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile, he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

L: The Word of God for all people

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon: ~ "Mom's House, Mom's Rule"

Rev. Allison Mark

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Rev. Allison Mark

We Respond to God's grace

Offering Our Gifts ~

Minister Ainise Isama'u

Doxology*

Kristen Katayama

***Offertory – Prayer of Dedication**

(8:30) Minister Ainise Isama'u, (10:30) Tam Kobayashi

Loving Shepherd, we thank you for your tender care. Everything we have come the goodness of your love. Receive the gifts we return to you now, that sheep in other flocks may come to know you and discover that you are the one who lays down your life for the flock. Amen.

Going Forth in God's Holy Name

Faith In Action – The Ministry of Faith UMC –

Minister Ainise Isama'u

Closing Hymn* ~ "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

(8:30) Faith Chancel Choir

"Carry You"

(10:30) Whitney Nakayama

Commission and Blessings * -

Rev. Allison Mark

Passing of the Peace* - Postlude