

Trinity Sunday – May 26, 2024 – 10:30am

Order of Worship

The Community Gathers

Lighting of Altar Candles

Prelude – “America”

Faith Ensemble

A Word of Greeting and Welcome/Centering Words ~

Minister Ainise Isama’u

With strength and power, the Father comes to us. With arms stretched wide, the Son calls to us. With sighs too deep for words, the Spirit heals us. Thanks be to God, Mother and Father of us all.

Opening Hymn* - “Lift High the Cross” UMH 159

Faith Ensemble

Giving God Glory As We Come To Worship

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

Miki Hayashida

L: Who is like our God in glory and strength?

P: The voice of the Lord thunders over the waters.

L: Who is like the Lord in power and might?

P: The voice of God breaks the mighty cedars.

L: Who is like the Holy One in awe and wonder?

P: The voice of the Almighty shakes the wilderness.

L: God sits enthroned as King forever.

P: Worship God in holy splendor.

L: Come! Let us worship the Lord.

Opening Prayer

Miki Hayashida

Your Spirit calls us here, O God, to behold the glory of your majesty and power. For adopting us into your family and making us heirs with Christ, we thank you. For freeing us from the failings of the flesh, that we may be born anew with water and the Spirit, we praise you. Amen.

Message for the Children (In Us All)

Minister Ainise Isama’u

Commission Prayer: Japan Mission Adult & Young Adult Teams

Rev. Allison Mark

The Word of God for the people of God

Congregational Hymn – *“How Great Thou Art”* UMH 77

Faith Ensemble

Scripture Lesson: John 3:1-17

Miki Hayashida

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a Jewish leader. ² He came to Jesus at night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one could do these miraculous signs that you do unless God is with him.”

³ Jesus answered, “I assure you, unless someone is born anew, it’s not possible to see God’s kingdom.”

⁴ Nicodemus asked, “How is it possible for an adult to be born? It’s impossible to enter the mother’s womb for a second time and be born, isn’t it?”

⁵ Jesus answered, “I assure you, unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, it’s not possible to enter God’s kingdom. ⁶ Whatever is born of the flesh is flesh, and whatever is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Don’t be surprised that I said to you, ‘You must be born anew.’ ⁸ God’s Spirit^l blows wherever it wishes. You hear its sound, but you don’t know where it comes from or where it is going. It’s the same with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

⁹ Nicodemus said, “How are these things possible?”

¹⁰ “Jesus answered, “You are a teacher of Israel and you don’t know these things? ¹¹ I assure you that we speak about what we know and testify about what we have seen, but you don’t receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you don’t believe, how will you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has gone up to heaven except the one who came down from heaven, the Human One. ¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so must the Human One be lifted up ¹⁵ so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life. ¹⁶ God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him won’t perish but will have eternal life. ¹⁷ God didn’t send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

L: The Word of God for all people

P: Thanks be to God

Special Music – *“You Are My All in All”*

Faith Ensemble

Sermon: ~ “Holy, Holy, Holy”

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* *"Glory Be to the Father"* UMH 70

Faith Ensemble

***Offertory – Prayer of Dedication**

Miki Hayashida

Spirit of the living God, you offer us rich blessings and a church family to guide our way. We are your children, eager to show you our gratitude and our love. May this offering be a sign of our commitment to live as brothers and sisters of Christ. Bless our gifts this day, O God, that others may be blessed by them. May they help those in need be born anew in your Spirit and blessed in your holy name. Amen.

Going Forth in God's Holy Name

Faith In Action – The Ministry of Faith UMC –

Minister Ainise Isama'u

Closing Hymn* ~ *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* UMH 64

Faith Ensemble

Commission and Blessings * -

Rev. Allison Mark

Passing of the Peace* - Postlude