Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost – October 19, 2025 – 10:30A Stewardship 1: The Appetizer

Order of Worship The Community Gathers

Lighting of Altar Candles

Prelude – Instrumental Angela Gricar, acc.

A Word of Greeting/Centering Words – **Minister 'Ainise Isama'u** God's promises are written on our hearts. Look within, recall them, and claim God's future of peace.

Opening Hymn – "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" UMH#110, v.1,3

Angela Gricar, acc.

Giving God Glory As We Come to Worship

Call to Worship (L: Leader, **P: People**)

Tam Kobayashi

L: Oh, how I love your will, dear Lord. I meditate on your wisdom all day long.

P: Your teaching makes me wiser each day. Your instruction helps me become my truest self.

L: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth.

P: Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light that shines on my path.

Opening Prayer – Tam Kobayashi

Come, Holy Spirit, and renew us in this hour of celebration. We rejoice that you make us your partners. We rejoice in pursuit of a just and peaceful world. With Jesus, we ask the question, "Will there be faith on earth?" Will we settle for mere beliefs, or will we yield to the deep longing for your will to be done, here and now? Teach us to hope, work, and cry out for your justice and peace to be made real. Walk with us, Jesus, until we joyfully reach that day when all God's children belong to your eternal family. Amen.

A Message to the Children (In Us All)

Minister 'Ainise Isama'u, Stanley Pang

The Word of God for the People of God

Congregational Hymn – "Through It All" UMH#207, 2x

Angela Gricar, acc.

Scripture Lesson: Luke 14:15–24 (The Parable of the Great Banquet)

Tam Kobayashi
15 When one of the dinner guests heard Jesus' remarks, he said to Jesus, "Happy are those who will feast in God's kingdom."16 Jesus replied, "A certain man hosted a large dinner and invited many people. 17 When it was time for the dinner to begin, he sent his servant to tell the invited guests, 'Come! The dinner is now ready.' 18 One by one, they all began to make excuses. The first one told him, 'I bought a farm and must go and see it. Please excuse me.' 19 Another said, 'I bought five teams of oxen, and I'm going to check on them. Please excuse me.' 20 Another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.' 21 When he returned, the servant reported these excuses to his master. The master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go quickly to the city's streets, the busy ones and the side streets, and bring the poor, crippled, blind, and lame.' 22 The servant said, 'Master, your instructions have been followed and there is still room.' 23 The master said to the servant, 'Go to the highways and back alleys and urge

people to come in so that my house will be filled. 24 I tell you, not one of those who were invited will taste my dinner."

L: The word of God for all People.

P: Thanks be to God.

Special Music – "At This Table", arr. Huff

Faith Choir & Praise Band

Sermon "A Seat At The Table"

Minister 'Ainise Isama'u, Stanley Pang

Pastoral Prayer – Lord's Prayer

Minister 'Ainise Isama'u

We Respond to God's Grace

Offering our Gifts –

Minister 'Ainise Isama'u

Offertory – "What is Mine to Give" 2x

Faith Choir & Praise Band

Doxology – "Glory Be to the Father" UMH#71

Angela Gricar, acc.

Prayer of Dedication –

Tam Kobayashi

Your promise is written on our hearts, dear God, and your strength is in the work of our hands. We offer you all that we have and all that we are, that your love may be known throughout the world. Amen.

Going Forth in God's Holy Name

Faith in Action – The Ministry of Faith UMC –

Minister 'Ainise Isama'u

Closing Hymn – "Pass It On" Hymn#572

Angela Gricar, acc.

Commission and Blessings -

Minister 'Ainise Isama'u

Passing of the Peace – Postlude