The HERALD Newsletter

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Worship Schedule: Adult and Nichigo Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Pastor's Message

October 2018

(Pastor Brad has been on sabbatical for the month, so he selected a message from July 2013 to share again.)

Psalm 103 is one of the most beautiful and hopeful pieces of literature ever composed. It is primarily a psalm of praise written by King David in gratitude to God for His many blessings bestowed on those who believe in Him. These blessings include our complete forgiveness, God's daily care of us, and His ongoing mercy and kindness.

As I read and meditated on this passage recently, I was humbled that the God of the Universe would set His love upon a sinner like me in such a powerful way: Simply by placing my trust in Jesus, I have become the recipient of profound blessings that sustain me each day and will continue through eternity.

Think about that – through faith in Jesus, you and I are children of a God who will never cease from showering us with His love.

I encourage you to spend some time reading and reflecting upon this great Psalm, and allow God to speak to you of His loving kindness and majesty.

God Bless You,

Pastor Brad

The JCC Mission Statement

To proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and seek spiritual growth for the entire congregation through:

- Worship, prayer, and Bible study
- Outreach and evangelism
- Loving service to the Church and community
- Fellowship
- Cultural activities unique to our ethnic congregation



Celebrating 100 years of worship

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Newsletter articles are due on the last Saturday of each month at **noon**. Send your articles to klokawa@msn.com

Website: www.jccslc.net

Operation Christmas Child

It's time again to begin filling a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child to demonstrate God's love to needy children around the world. The shoeboxes will be available during the month of October. Come and pick up one or two for your family to fill. They will be due back to the church on **Sunday, November 11, 2018** so that they have time to be shipped overseas.



Gift suggestions for your box include:

- TOYS items that children will immediately embrace such as dolls, toy trucks, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, etc.
- SCHOOL SUPPLIES pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pads, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.
- HYGIENE ITEMS toothbrush, soap (put in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.
- OTHER t-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights with extra batteries.
- Do not include toothpaste or candy of any kind.
- Shipping for the boxes is \$9 per box. Checks are payable to Operation Christmas Child.

PERSONAL NOTE - You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family.

PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE: Used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures, food, liquids or lotions, breakable items, glass containers, or aerosol cans.

Condolences

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Kevin Turner, who passed away on September 5, 2018. Kevin was the husband of Sandy Turner and son-in-law of Sadie Yoshimura. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Starks Funeral Parlor. Read the full obituary at:

http://www.starksfuneral.com/obituary?o=1959-SOeLV2Gzbp

Remember in Your Prayers

Please remember the following friends and family in your prayers:

- Jana Hansen Larry Harada Toshiko Marse Pastor Hanabusa Yolie LaFontaine Kay Nakashima Sumiko Rosvall
- Chris Miya Grace Matsumura Susan Fukushima Steve Fukushima Susan Rosvall

Mas Horiuchi

Mr. "C" Miki Harada Wat Misaka Kai Ronning Marie Matsukawa Saeko Nakashima

Church Women United News

A multi faith gathering of Christian Women

Mark your calendar and plan to attend CWU's World Community Day Celebration

When: Friday, November 2, 2018 (1st Friday)
Time: Morning (9:30 - 1:00, including lunch)
Where: Christ United Methodist Church 2375 East 3300 South
Theme: "Reaching for Wholeness – In Harmony with God's People"
Keynote Speaker: TBA
Registration: \$1 Lunch: \$5.00
Community Outreach: "World Community Bazaar"
(Christmas Shopping Opportunity)
Specifics Forthcoming
Free-will Offering: Used for CWU National Programs:

Checks made payable to: "Church Women United" Lunch RSVP: To Mary Ann Allison at 801-278-9223 by Monday, October 29

This is a wonderful ecumenical celebration shared worldwide and an opportunity to learn and grow spiritually and personally. Hope to see you there.

Silent Sacrifice

Reverend Sab and Marion Masada were recently interviewed in a film called "Silent Sacrifice" – the story of Japanese American incarceration in California's San Joaquin Valley and Beyond. The film can be viewed on the internet at **valleyPBS.org/sacrifice**.

JCC Centennial DVDs are Here!

The JCC Centennial DVDs have already arrived! If you placed a pre- order, you will or have received your copy in the mail. The DVD contains almost 2 hours of video – the luncheon program at the Cottonwood Country Club, which includes speakers Pastors Choi, Alexander, Nakaoka and Kramer; musical selections by Brian Itliong, and other highlights of the Saturday event. The disc also has Pastor Kramer's worship sermon on Sunday, as well as the JCC100 video clip covering 100 years of the JCC. Contact **Patty Price** at patp1406@gmail.com for your copy; \$10 per disc.

Flu Thank You

Thanks once again to Stephanie Mori-Nakao for making the arrangements to have nursing services come to the church to administer flu shots in preparation for the cold and flu season. We also appreciate Stephanie and Gary for providing lunch that day!

Harvest Party

A Harvest Party for the Sunday School children (and adults!) will be held on **Saturday, October 27, 2018** at **noon**. Come in costume or not; but join in for fun and food!



Wear Your T-Shirts!

The "Official" date that the Japanese Church of Christ was organized was October 10, 2018. However, it was decided to hold the Centennial celebration in the month of August to accommodate summer vacations and to ensure the weather would be sunny and fair.

So to commemorate the "real" birthdate of our church, please wear your **JCC100 T-shirt** to church on **Sunday**, **October 14**. We will take yet another group photo to commemorate the event!

Stewardship Campaign

The Stewardship brochures will be sent out this month. The due date will be **October 31, 2018**. Submitting your pledge will help us plan the budget for next year.



Nichigo Retreat - Save the Date

The annual Nichigo Retreat will be held on **November 17** and **18**, **2018**. Reverend Fujii from Fresno, CA will be the guest speaker. More details to follow next month or contact Keiko Ikeda at keikoiikeda59@gmail.com.

Filling In

Thank you to all of the guest speakers who filled in for Pastor Brad last month while he was on sabbatical. We appreciate Greg Paige, Pastor Tipi Loma Pupua, Pastor Grace Suzuki and Pastor Jeff Silliman for providing inspirational messages for our congregation.

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	October 7	October 14	October 21	Music Worship October 28		
Liturgist	Patty Price	Ron Nishijima	Steve Fukumitsu	Jan Aramaki		
Scripture Readers	E) Zach Paige J) Yoko DeRose	E) Carson Kawabata J) Keiko Ikeda	E) Elise Mori J) Toshiko Marse	E) Bob Jones J) Akiko Oki		
Greeter	Sadie Yoshimura	Dorthie Conway	Betty Murakami	Michiko Kenmotsu		
Ushers	Misako Bowker Motoko Lochner	Betty Kubota Allyn Nakashima	Lorraine Crouse Alison Cheung	Pauline Vosburgh Mary Tabata		
Song of Praise						
Pianist	Elizabeth Ward	Yas Iwamoto	Greg Paige	Allyn Nakashima		
CommunionServers	Al Kubota Ron Nishijima Laura Olson					
Ed Bldg Monitor	*	*	*	*		

October 2018 - Worship Service Participants

*Make sure there is someone in the Fellowship Hall during service or that the door is locked.

JCC October Calendar

JCC October 2018 Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 -Taiko practice, 6pm	2 -Parking, Jazz, 7pm	3 -Parking, Fallout Concert, 7pm	4	5	6
7 -Communion, 10:30am	8 -Taiko practice, 6pm	9 -Fellowship Hall Remodel, 4:30pm -Session, 6pm	10 -Parking, Aubrey and Milgos, 7pm	11	12 -Taiko practice, 6pm	13
14 -JCC100 T-Shirt Day	15 -Taiko practice, 6pm	16 -St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen, 11:15 am	17 -Parking, Jimmy Buffet, 8pm	18	19 -Taiko practice, 6pm -Parking, Jazz, 8:30pm	20 -Parking, Thomas Rhett, 7:30pm
21	22 -Taiko practice, 6pm	23	24	25	26 -Taiko practice, 6pm	27 -Herald Deadline -Harvest Party, noon
28 -Music Worship, 10:30am	29 -Taiko practice, 6pm -Parking, Josh Groban, 7pm	30	31			

*Calendar current as of Herald printing, 9/27/18.

For up to date building use information, go to <u>www.jccslc.net</u>, Events/Activities tab, JCC Building Usage Schedule link

October Community Events

• Nikkei Senior Center luncheon, sponsored by Mount Olympus JACL Saturday, October 13, at Dai Ichi Ward, 2000 South 900 East at noon. Free for seniors 85+, others \$2 donation.

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Centennial Photos

Photos from the Centennial weekend in August.



"Shin" means "faith" - portrayed in a thousand cranes. Photo courtesy: Dennis Kuba



Mariko and Rev. George Hanabusa enjoy Sunday lunch.



Pastor Brad and Brian Itliong perform at luncheon.



Marc, Pam and Greg Stillman peruse photo displays.



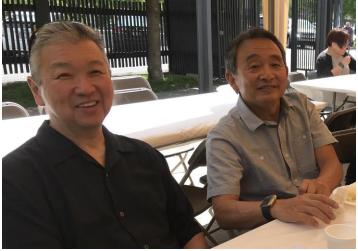
Mas Horiuchi, Karen and Brian Kido, Jeanette Misaka, Raymond Uno, Yo Misaka and Ron Nishijima at luncheon.



Gary Nakao, Theresa Mori-Sueoka, Jerry Mori and Steve Fukumitsu.



Pastors Jeff Silliman, Luke Choi, Brad and Keri Kramer, Pat and Bill Alexander, Mrs. Pupua and Tipi Loma Pupua.



Wes Kida and Dean Shiba, of the JCC Worship Band.



Ron Nishijima, Wat Misaka and Rita Inoway.



Nichigo Choir performs during Centennial Worship Service.