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**TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY  
ENGLISH AND JAPANESE JOINT WORSHIP  
FEBRUARY 15 • 10:00 am  
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*(Please be sure to silence your cell phones. Thank you!)*

**PRELUDE 前奏:** – Shane Cantanho

**WELCOME 歓迎:** — Mark Teagle, Director of  
Spiritual Formation, Community Engagement, and Music

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP 招きの言葉:** – Clarissa Johnston-Abril

Leader: When Jesus saw the crowds, he began to teach them.

**People: And proclaimed, “Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness.”**

Leader: God, give us courage to do what is right, even when it costs.

**People: When people insult us, misunderstand us, or speak falsely against us,**

Leader: keep our hearts rooted in your love, not

bitterness or fear.

**People: We shall rejoice and be glad.**

**All: Because in the end, our reward will be great. Amen!**

**\*OPENING PRAYER 祈祷:** – Clarissa Johnston-Abril

Jesus, teach us the way of peacemaking: not avoiding conflict, but healing it; not winning, but reconciling; not proving ourselves right, but choosing love. Strengthen us when we are insulted, misunderstood, or pushed aside for doing what is good. When righteousness meets resistance, give us steady courage and clean hearts. And Lord, make this worship an inspired moment, where we will remember who we are—your blessed children who matter to you. Amen.

**\*SONG: “I Belong”** – Wesley Praise Band

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Here I am  
in the presence of the great I Am,  
near to your heart, O God.  
I have found my joy.  
I’ve searched so long,

in darkness I walked so far,  
fighting but I'm holding on  
when your love draws near.

Hallelujah, I belong here  
in your presence, safe and secure.  
I see hope coming on the horizon.  
There's no need for hiding, 'cause I belong.

I often fail,  
but daily your love prevails.  
Christ, my peace within.  
I will trust in you.  
In your presence, Lord,  
joys will overflow.  
You are God and friend.  
I am whole again.

Hallelujah, I belong here  
in your presence, safe and secure.  
I see hope coming on the horizon.  
There's no need for hiding, 'cause I belong.

I belong here, I belong here,  
I belong here, in your presence.  
I belong here, I belong here,  
I belong here, in your presence, in your presence.

Hallelujah, I belong here  
in your presence, safe and secure.  
I see hope coming on the horizon.  
There's no need for hiding, 'cause I belong.

Hallelujah, I belong here  
in your presence, safe and secure.  
I see hope coming on the horizon.  
There's no need for hiding, 'cause I belong.  
I see hope coming on the horizon.  
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**\*SONG: "Friend of God" – Wesley Praise Band**

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Who am I that you are mindful of me,  
that you hear me when I call?  
Is it true that you are thinking of me,  
how you love me? It's amazing!

I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God. God calls me friend!  
I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God. God calls me friend!

Who am I that you are mindful of me,  
that you hear me when I call?

Is it true that you are thinking of me,  
how you love me? It's amazing!

I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God. God calls me friend!  
I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God. God calls me friend!

God Almighty, Lord of Glory,  
you have called me friend.  
God Almighty, Lord of Glory,  
you have called me friend.

I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God. God calls me friend!  
I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God. God calls me friend!

***Children and Youth remain in worship.***

**ANTHEM: “Ascribe to Him Glory and Strength”**

— Chancel Choir

*Words Psalm 29 and Music by Robert Clatterbuck*

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**SCRIPTURE 聖書:** — Clarissa Johnston-Abril

Matthew 5:1-2, 9-12

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain,

and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**JAPANESE SCRIPTURE聖書:** – Yoshiko Sasaki 佐々木美子  
マタイによる福音書5章1-2節, 9-12節(新共同訳)

<sup>1</sup>イエスはこの群衆を見て、山に登られた。腰を下ろされると、弟子たちが近くに寄って来た。<sup>2</sup>そこで、イエスは口を開き、教えられた。

<sup>9</sup>平和を実現する人々は、幸いである、その人たちは神の子と呼ばれる。

<sup>10</sup>義のために迫害される人々は、幸いである、天の国はその人たちのものである。

<sup>11</sup>わたしのためにののしられ、迫害され、身に覚えのないことであらゆる悪口を浴びせられるとき、あなたがたは幸いである。<sup>12</sup>喜びなさい。大いに喜びなさい。天には大きな報いがある。あなたがたより前の預言者たちも、同じように迫害されたのである。」

**MESSAGE 説教: “You Matter” – Rev. John Oda**

**SONG: “Instrument of Peace” – Wesley Praise Band**

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Lord, make me an instrument of peace,  
an instrument of peace.

Lord, make me an instrument of peace,  
an instrument of peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love.  
Where there is darkness, let me sow light.  
For in the giving, we shall receive,  
and in the dying, we're given life.

Lord, make me an instrument of peace,  
an instrument of peace.  
Lord, make me an instrument of peace,  
an instrument of peace.

Where there is sorrow, let me sow hope.  
Where there is doubt, let me sow faith.  
Where there is injury, your pardon give,  
your consolation to those in pain.

Lord, make me an instrument of peace,

an instrument of peace.  
Lord, make me an instrument of peace,  
an instrument of peace.  
Amen, amen.

**COLLECTION OF OUR OFFERING 献金:**

— Clarissa Johnston-Abril

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** — Shane Cantanho  
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*Words by Thomas O. Chisholm and Music by William M. Runyan.*

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**\*DOXOLOGY 頌栄:** — Wesley Praise Band

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

*Words by Thomas Ken, Music by Luis Bourgeois*

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

*In Japanese:*

A-me-tsu-chi ko-zo-ri-te

Ka-shi-ko-mi ta-ta-e-yo

Mi-me-gu-mi a-fu-ru-ru



Chi-chi mi-ko mi-ta-ma wo. Amen

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER 祈禱:** — Clarissa Johnston-Abril

God of blessing, you call peacemakers your children, and you promise your kingdom to those who keep choosing what is right. Receive these gifts as signs of our trust. Use them to mend what is broken, protect those who are targeted, and support the work of justice, mercy, and reconciliation. Make our giving a practice of courage; quiet, faithful, and joyful, so that Wesley Church reflects your love. Amen.

**PASTORAL PRAYER 牧会祈禱:** — Rev. John Oda

**THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

Our Creator, 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.

**\*HYMN: “Power of Your Love”** — Wesley Praise Band

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Lord, I come to you,  
let my heart be changed, renewed,  
flowing from the grace that I've found in you.  
And Lord, I've come to know  
the weaknesses I see in me  
will be stripped away by the pow'r of your love.

Hold me close, let your love surround me.  
Bring me near, draw me to your side.  
And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle,  
and I will soar with you,  
your Spirit leads me on  
in the pow'r of your love.

Lord, unveil my eyes,  
let me see you face to face,  
the knowledge of your love as you live in me.  
Lord, renew my mind,  
as your will unfolds in my life,  
in living every day in the pow'r of your love.

Hold me close, let your love surround me.  
Bring me near, draw me to your side.  
And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle,  
and I will soar with you,  
your Spirit leads me on

in the pow'r of your love.

\***BENEDICTION** 祝禱: – Rev. John Oda

\***RESPONSE** 応答: – “Go Now In Peace”

– Wesley Praise Band

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Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
Amen. Amen. Amen.

**POSTLUDE MUSIC** 後奏: – Shane Cantanho

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