

Lake Merritt United Methodist Church

An Inclusive Christian Community of Oakland



LAKE PARK

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

IN JOINT FELLOWSHIP

Sustaining a vibrant and growing congregation through Christian spiritual transformation, making our work and the church relevant and visible.

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Celebration of Leadership and Committee Work

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September 17, 2023
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

Rev. Sunae Cho, *Pastor*

INTROIT

Ye Servants of God

UMH 181, attributed to William Croft

LMUMC Bell Choir

OPENING PRAYER (*UNISON*)

Phyllis Elving

**All: We are called into the church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,
to be God's servants in the service of all,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join Christ in his passion and victory.
"Beloved let us love one another, for love comes from God."
All who love are born of God and know God.
Let us pray and worship God! Amen.**

Austin D. Hill

OPENING HYMN

(Please stand if able)

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

TFWS 2088 (x2)

**Lord, I lift your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life;
I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Margaret LeWright

SERMON

"SHARING OUR MINISTRIES"

INTRODUCTION

John 13:3-5

Rev. Sunae Cho, *Pastor*

LAY LEADER, Laurel Williams (VIDEO)

Membership Secretary
Sharon Cropsey

WORSHIP VITALITY TEAM (VIDEO)

Pastor Sunae Cho
Laurel Williams
Margaret LeWright
Jim Meredith

AV Team
Voice Choir
Bell Choir

Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me

TFWS 2139

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

Leader : Did ever you see the like before?

All: I know the Lord's laid his hands on me;

Leader: King Jesus preaching to the poor!

All: I know the Lord's laid his hands on me

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

STEWARDSHIP/GENEROSITY

Linda Weingarten

Patty Staggs

Kathleen Bell

CONGREGATIONAL NURTURING

Sue Dickey

Kate Wilson

FELLOWSHIP

Lisa Radspinner

Small Bible and Fellowship Groups

Welcoming

Care

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

Margaret LeWright

Alex Banash

Andrew Champion

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

Leader: Oh, wasn't that a happy day

All: I know the Lord laid his hands on me.

Leader: When Jesus washed my sins away!

All: I know the Lord laid his hands on me.

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

Rose Lynn Abesamis-Bell

Tom Huetteman

Kathleen Bell

Galia Kenny

Food Programs

Reconciling Ministries

Thanksgiving Community Luncheon

East Bay United Methodists for Racial Justice

NOMINATIONS

Pastor Sunae Cho

Phyllis Elving

Paul Bell-Tull

Rebecca Dean

STAFF PARISH RELATIONS (SPRC)

Juliet Hannafin

Jeannette Hanowsky

Allen Letsome

Galia Kenny

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

Leader: Some seek the Lord and don't seek him right;

All: I know the Lord's laid his hands on me;

Leader: They fool all day and pray all night,

All: I know the Lord's laid his hands on me

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

TRUSTEES

Randy Reed

Sherri Elinson

Wayne Fabrizio

Jim Clardy

Barbara Ganitch

Bonnie Church

Alex Banash

Don Weingarten

Sue Dickey

CHURCH COUNCIL

Tom Huetteman

Joseph Koroma

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Ron Fujie

Rev. Dr. Dale Tremper

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

Leader: My Lord's done just what he said;

All: I know the Lord's laid his hands on me;

Leader: He's healed the sick and raised the dead;

All: I know the Lord's laid his hands on me

**All: Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.
Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord,
I know the Lord laid his hands on me.**

BLESSING LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE WORK

Rev. Sunae Cho, *Pastor*

OFFERING & THANKSGIVING SONG

Bless Thou the Gifts

UMH 587, x2

**Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought;
Bless thou the work our hearts have planned.
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;
The rest, O God, is in thy hand.**

CLOSING SONG

(Please stand if able)

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

TFWS 2241

- 1. The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
We go in Jesus' name
To bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.**
- 2. We go to comfort those who mourn
And set the burdened free;
Where hope is dim, to share a dream
And help the blind to see.**
- 3. We go to be the hands of Christ,
To scatter joy like seed
And, all our days, to cherish life,
To do the loving deed.**
- 4. Then let us go to serve in peace,
The gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
We go in Jesus' name.**

CLOSING PRAYER *(RESPONSIVE)*

Phyllis Elving

Leader: Leadership is hard to define.

People: Lord, let us be the ones to define it with justice.

Leader: Leadership is like a handful of water.

People: Lord, let us be the people to share it with those who thirst.

Leader: Leadership is not about watching and correcting.

People: Lord, let us remember it is about listening and connecting.

Leader: Leadership is not about telling people what to do.

People: Lord, let us find out what people want.

Leader: Leadership is less about the love of power,
and more about the power of love.

All: Let our greatest passion be compassion.

Our greatest strength, love.

Our greatest victory, the reward of peace.

In leading let us never fail to follow.

In loving let us never fail. Amen.

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POSTLUDE

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus

setting by John Carter

From Walker's Southern Harmony

Thank you to our guest pianist, Ellen St. Thomas