

***Tokyo Union Church***  
***5th Sunday in Lent***  
***April 10, 2011 at 8:30 am & 11:00 am***

PRELUDE

"Evocation a la Chapelle Sixtine"  
(\* Please Stand; ◇◇ Late Seating)

F. Liszt

(11:00) INTROIT

Sanctuary Choir

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) [adopted from Isaiah 55]

Pastor: Come, O people of God, and seek the Lord.

**People: We will call upon him and pray to him while he is near.**

Pastor: Let the wicked abandon their way of life;

**People: Let the evil change their way of thinking.**

Pastor: Let them all come back to God, who is merciful.

**All: Let them come back to the Lord, who will lavish them with forgiveness. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF CELEBRATION – No. 469 "Morning Has Broken"

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Praying together)

**Lord, we come to you now fully aware that we hurt you by the ways we treat one another:**

**-every time we speak words that pierce and wound;**

**-every time we make decisions that are rooted in pride and selfishness;**

**-every time we rush to judgment and criticism.**

**O God, forgive our willingness to treat others as we do. We are sorry for hurting you and those you have placed in our lives. Help us, we pray, to speak words that heal and uplift. Help us to act in ways that promote your Kingdom. In all circumstances, help us to follow the life of Jesus, by doing unto others as we would have them do unto us. In Christ we pray. (silent prayers of confession) Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Please remain standing to sing the Congregational Response.)

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\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS – ("Great is Thy Faithfulness" – Refrain Only)

**Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!**

**Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;**

**Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

GOOD NEWS FOR KIDS

Pastor Barry Dawson

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*Preschool-kindergarten ages 3-7 may go to the 4<sup>th</sup> floor classroom at this time.*

*Nursery care for children ages 0-2 is provided in the first floor nursery throughout the entire service.*

SHARING NEWS OF OUR CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP

*In the name of the Lord, we warmly welcome all visitors and newcomers to Tokyo Union Church.*

*Visitors, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering bag.*

MOMENT FOR MISSION - Easter Outreach Special Offering

Outreach Ministry Team

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Romans 1:28 – 2:4

(Pew Bible, NT, p.143)

Lectors: (8:30) Chika Eto (11:00) Paul Bunting

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 7:1-5

(Pew Bible, NT, p.6)

SERMON

Pastor Matthew Hardin

(11:00) INSTALLATION OF ELDERS (See insert)

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Praying today for **Peace Center for the Blind, East Jerusalem**)

The Lord's Prayer – **Ecumenical**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

### GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING

(8:30) Meditative Music

(11:00) Anthem

"Worthy is the Lamb"

Miwako Horii, organ  
Sanctuary Choir

\* Presentation of Tithes and Offerings – Hymn No. 591

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

\* Prayer of Dedication

### (8:30) THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER (Responsively)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*(All Christians are invited to come forward for Communion. Communion will be served by 'intinction'. Please take the bread, dip it in the cup and then eat. Those not receiving communion may come forward for a special blessing. Families and friends may elect to stand together to commune. 聖餐式はクリスチャンのための式典です。クリスチャンでない方はご自分の席でお待ちになるか、または参列してサーバーの前で腕をXに組み祝福の言葉を受けて下さい。聖餐はご家族・友人と一緒に受けられます。)*

Meditative Music

Ignatius Banda, organ

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (praying together)

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with these holy mysteries. This spiritual food of your Son, our Savior, assures us of your favor and goodness towards us. We thank you that we are members of the body of Christ, and heirs of your everlasting kingdom. May we continue in that holy fellowship and do with faith all that you ask of us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION – No. 335

"Though I May Speak"

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 586: **Amen, Amen, Amen.**)

*Following the 11 am service, the Prayer and Healing Ministry Team will be available in front of the sanctuary for persons desiring prayer.*

POSTLUDE

"Präludium und Fuge über B-A-C-H"

F. Liszt

### Holy Week Schedule

<b>April 17 (Sun)</b>	<b>Palm/Passion Sunday Service at 8:30 &amp; 11:00 am Taize Service at 4:00 pm</b>
<b>April 21 (Thu)</b>	<b>Maunder Thursday Service at 7:30 pm</b>
<b>April 22 (Fri)</b>	<b>Good Friday Service at 7:30 pm</b>
<b>April 24 (Sun)</b>	<b>Easter Sunday Service at <u>8:30, 10:00 &amp; 11:30 am</u></b>

**Peace Center for the Blind, East Jerusalem:** This center offers Palestinian women who are visually impaired a basic education and fundamental vocational and domestic skills in order to become more self-reliant and participatory members of their communities. PCB is currently working toward financing a new school and dormitory in order to serve more women.

# THE 2011-2012 TUC COUNCIL

## Administrative Team

**Pastor** ----- Pastor Barry Dawson (†)  
**Associate Pastor** ----- Pastor Matthew Hardin (†)  
**President** ----- Russell Gesling  
**Vice-President** ----- Christopher Duffy  
**Treasurer** ----- Vacant  
**Clerk** ----- Mary Foster

## Ministry Teams

**Adult Education & Young Adults** ----- Peter Mathies  
**Children** ----- Betsy Skarecky  
**Communications** ----- Isaku Murakami  
**Development** ----- Jody Fuller  
**Early Learning Center** ----- Junko Takahashi  
**Evangelism** ----- Suzie Kim  
**Fellowship** ----- Suresh Kukde  
**Finance** ----- Joe Dunkle  
**Membership** ----- April Morito  
**Nominating** ----- Akiko Adachi, Scott Carroll  
**Outreach** ----- Paul Fukuda  
**Personnel** ----- Kathy Koll, Susan Prout  
**Property & Use** ----- Vacant  
**Spiritual Life** ----- Linda Hirata  
**Stewardship** ----- Brad White  
**Worship & Music** ----- Nancy Pierson-Umezu  
**Youth** ----- Janelle Odate  
**Shukyo Hojin** ----- Jiro Hayashi <†>  
**Women's Ministry** ----- Tomomi Kumagai

<†> – Ex-officio members of the Council

## Elders Completing Their Term of Service

Chris Couch, Wally Higgins, Theodore Jennings, Ikuko Omori, Hitomi Yokote

**A WARM WELCOME** to our newcomers and visitors! We invite you to the coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall after the 11 am service, so we can greet you personally. **NEXT NEW MEMBER'S ORIENTATION CLASS** will be held on **Sunday, May 8** (1<sup>st</sup> session) at 12:30 pm in the 2F classroom. We invite anyone who is interested in joining TUC. **To sign-up for the classes, please contact April Morito (Membership Elder) at [aprille\\_1289@yahoo.co.jp](mailto:aprille_1289@yahoo.co.jp).**

**TOPICAL BIBLE STUDY:** Get Ready for Milk and Honey - Dan Brandsma will lead a discussion-based class that re-examines the stories of Genesis from the perspective of the Israelites as they prepared to cross the Jordan. The class will address topics that include exploring the character of God, understanding our destiny, and living in community. Come and join us! Dates: March 6 through May 8. Time: 9:45 am in the 2F classroom.

**PLEASE CHECK THE OUTREACH BULLETIN BOARD** in the lobby for messages of encouragement from our supported missions from around the world!

**AN EASTER LILY for the Sanctuary!** The donation for Easter lilies is ¥3,000. Please use the offering envelopes marked EASTER LILY and write your name on it. Also the special envelopes (for Easter Lilies) are available in the pews and beside the flower sign-up sheet in the Lobby. Final Call for donations will be **TODAY**.

**BIBLE STUDY: JESUS' SERMON ON THE MOUNT** - Think Pastor Barry and Pastor Matt give *great* sermons? (Yes, of course!) Well, come study and explore the *greatest* sermon. On Tuesday mornings Pastor Matt will lead a new study on the world-changing message contained in Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. The class meets from 10-11:30 am in the 2F classroom. For more information, contact Pastor Matt at [astpastr@gol.com](mailto:astpastr@gol.com)

**"BIBLE AS A WHOLE" Class:** (52-week course, Tue. evenings from 7 pm - 2F classroom) will study Lesson 5 this week. ¥2,000 to cover partial cost of course book. A registration sheet is on 1F Lobby bulletin board.

**MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST** will meet at 8:00 am in the B1 Kitchen on Saturday 16th. Check out our TUC Men's Ministry website at <http://holyoldfools.com>.

**THE PRAYER CHAIN** is a group of people who are contacted by email, fax, or phone to pray for the leaders & ministries of TUC and for any other prayer requests we receive during the week. Contact Mary Foster at [tucprayer@yahoo.com.au](mailto:tucprayer@yahoo.com.au) with your prayer requests.

**TODAY'S Communion:** (8:30) Russell Gesling, Isaku Murakami **Altar Guild:** (8:30) Jody Fuller (11:00) Nobuko Gaine **Ushers:** (8:30) Gesling family **AV Operator:** (8:30) Kazunori Higuchi (11:00) Ronald Julian **Nursery:** (11:00) Toshiko Carroll **Flowers:** Kaoru Shikata, to the glory of God.

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY: Communion:** (8:30) Mary Foster, Isaku Murakami, Nancy Pierson-Umezu **Altar Guild:** (8:30) Jody Fuller (11:00) Hisako Sekido **Lectors:** (8:30) Dennis Schneider (11:00) Paul Fukuda **Ushers:** TBA **Greeters:** TBA **AV Operator:** (8:30) Maki Yamamoto (11:00) Kazunori Higuchi, Masaharu Okada **Nursery:** (11:00) Kaoru Hirano **Flowers:** Chika Eto (arrangement), Stefan Becker (donation)

**TOKYO UNION CHURCH** was founded in 1872 and is an ecumenical and international congregation of English-speaking Christians. The word "union" is used to indicate that the membership is composed of Christians from many churches and nationalities who are united through a common faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The members of Tokyo Union Church bring the richness of their own Christian heritage and experience into our worship, study, fellowship, and service. Tokyo Union Church is independent and financially self-supporting; it is a member of the National Christian Council of Japan. **Our Vision: A diverse community of growing, committed Christians in the heart of Tokyo, sharing the light of Christ with all nations.**

## THIS WEEK AT TUC

<b>Apr. 10 (Sun)</b>	<b>8:30 &amp; 11:00 am</b> 9:45 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm 12:30 pm	Worship – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent Sunday School Elders' Installation (@11am Worship) New Elders' Training (2F) Easter Choir Rehearsal (S)
<b>Apr. 12 (Tue)</b>	10:00 am <u>By Noon</u> 7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study (2F) Sunday Bulletin Announcement Deadline "Bible as a Whole" Class (2F)
<b>Apr. 13 (Wed)</b>	9:30 am 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Women's Bible Study (2F) Interim Pastor Search Mtg. (WS Office) Prayer Group Mtg. (2F)
<b>Apr. 14 (Thu)</b>	6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (3F) Women's Evening Bible Study (2F)
<b>Apr. 15 (Fri)</b>	7:00 pm	Evangelical Leadership Training Mtg. (L)
<b>Apr. 16 (Sat)</b>	8:00 am 2:00 pm	Men's Breakfast (B1 kitchen) Homeless Fellowship Luncheon (B1)
<b>Apr. 17 (Sun)</b>	<b>8:30 &amp; 11:00 am</b> 9:45 am 10:00 am 12:30 pm 12:45 pm 1:30 pm 4:00 pm	Worship – Passion/Palm Sunday Sunday School Easter Choir Rehearsal (S) Easter Choir Rehearsal (S) Outreach Team Mtg. (2F) ELC Board Meeting Taize Service (Sanctuary)

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