

Tokyo Union Church
January 15, 2006 at 8:30 & 11:00 am

- PRELUDE "Prelude in E minor" by D. Buxtehude
- (11:00) INTROIT Sanctuary Choir
(* Please Stand; ** Late Seating)
- *CALL TO WORSHIP Laura Hibbard
Leader: God, you have searched me and know me.
People: Before a word is on my tongue, you know it. Wherever I go, you lay your hand upon me.
Leader: Far beyond our understanding are your thoughts and your ways.
People: Wonderful are your works, mighty God. We praise your holy name!
- **OPENING HYMN 356 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
- *PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Mighty God, you are Creator of all, yet we confess that we have not served you with the fullness of commitment you deserve. You call, O God, but we fail to listen. You ask us to follow, but we go our own way. You offer us new life, but we tread old, familiar paths that are empty and barren. In your mercy, loving God, forgive our sin. Replace our waywardness with faithful trust. Renew our spirits by your spirit. Free our hearts from the grip of sin. Lead us to follow and serve Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- *ASSURANCE OF PARDON
- **SHARING OF THE PEACE
We welcome you to Tokyo Union Church. Visitors, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offering bag.
- THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING John 1:43-51 (NT p. 87)
Lectors: (8:30) Joy Onozuka (11:00) Steve Cannon
- **GOOD NEWS FOR KIDS Pastor Bruce Sloan
*Preschool-kindergarten children may go to the 2nd floor classroom at this time.
Nursery care for children ages 0-2 is provided on the first floor throughout the entire service.*
- HYMN 426 "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"
- THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING I Samuel 3:1-10 (OT p. 236)
- SERMON "Hearing the Voice of God" Pastor Bruce Sloan
- PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Praying today for **Asian Rural Institute, Japan/Asia**) Laura Hibbard
The Lord's Prayer – **Ecumenical** (Hymnal p. 16)
- GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
(8:30) Meditative Music Miwako Horii, organ
(11:00) Anthem "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" by C. A. Walworth Sanctuary Choir
- *Presentation of Tithes and Offerings - "Give Thanks"
Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His son. (Repeat)
And now let the weak say, "I am strong;" Let the poor say, "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat) Give thanks!

(8:30) HOLY COMMUNION - *Please turn to Hymnal p.13*

Hymn 333

“Seek Ye First”

EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP

In the name of the Lord, we warmly welcome all visitors and newcomers.

*CLOSING HYMN 391 “Take My Life”

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn “Make Me a Servant”)

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

POSTLUDE

“Voluntary” by M. Greene

Everyone is welcome to join the Evening Praise Service at 4 pm.

Asian Rural Institute (ARI), Japan/Asia: ARI provides training for rural leaders, primarily from Asian and African countries, in sustainable development, organic farming, and community organization. Program graduates return to their home countries with increased skills where they work with rural groups to improve their daily lives.

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

Jan. 15 (Sun)	8:30 & 11:00 am	Worship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	after 11 am service	Special Congregational Meeting
	2:00 pm	Theology Reading Group (Pastor's office)
	4:00 pm	Evening Praise Service - Ken Owusu
Jan. 17 (Tue)	10:00 am	WS Bible Study (2F)
		Sunday Bulletin Announcement Deadline
Jan. 19 (Thu)	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Balcony)
	7:30 pm	Prayer Group Mtg. (2F)
Jan. 20 (Fri)	6:45 pm	VIP Alpha (B1)
Jan. 22 (Sun)	8:30 & 11:00 am	Worship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	12:30 pm	New Members' Class (2F)
	2:00 pm	Council Mtg. (B1)
	4:00 pm	Evening Praise Service - Pastor Bruce Sloan

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