

Tokyo Union Church
January 29, 2006 at 8:30 & 11:00 am

PRELUDE "I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ" by D. Buxtehude
(11:00) INTROIT Sanctuary Choir

(* Please Stand; ** Late Seating)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (IN UNISON) Psalm 111 (OT p. 531)

**OPENING HYMN 281 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

For the ways in which we bury your light underneath layers of busyness and denial, Lord have mercy. For the times we fail to recognize your light in the eyes of the hungry, the outcast, the stranger, Lord have mercy, with our children and parents and neighbors and friends. For the opportunities not taken to share your light, Lord have mercy. Have mercy upon us.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn "As The Deer")

**As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after You,
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship You.
You alone are my strength, my shield, to You alone may my spirit yield,
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship You.**

**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 Mark 1:21-28 (NT p. 33)

Lectors: (8:30) Jiro Hayashi (11:00) Jean Wilson

**GOOD NEWS FOR KIDS Ryan Jade

Preschool-kindergarten ages 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 467 "How Great Thou Art"

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (OT p. 168)

SERMON "God Will Send a Messenger" Pastor Bruce Sloan

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Praying today for **Ho Chi Minh City Child Welfare Foundation, Vietnam**)
The Lord's Prayer – **Ecumenical** (Hymnal p. 16)

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(8:30) Meditative Music

Miwako Horii, organ

(11:00) Anthem "How Lovely Are The Messengers" by F. Mendelssohn

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 507 "I Come with Joy"

(11:00) THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRESENTATION & QUESTIONS TO NEW MEMBERS

Pastor: Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you depend upon Him for salvation as it is offered in the gospel?

New Member: I do.

Pastor: Do you promise that, relying on the help of the Holy Spirit, you will endeavor to live as a follower of Christ?

New Member: I do.

Pastor: Will you continue to grow as a Christian and seek to know and do the will of God as taught in the Bible?

New Member: I will.

Pastor: Will you be loyal to the church of Christ, wherever you are, and will you support this church by your prayers, presence, gifts, and services?

New Member: I will.

COVENANT OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Do you, the members of this congregation, welcome these disciples who have witnessed to their faith in Jesus Christ, and promise by your fellowship to strengthen their ties with the household of God?

Congregation: We do. With joy and thanksgiving we renew our covenant with God and with each other, as we welcome you into this Christian fellowship. With you we dedicate our lives and our church to the work of the Kingdom of God.

EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP

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

*CLOSING HYMN 379 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn "May You Run and Not Be Weary")

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

POSTLUDE

"Fugue" by B. Cernohorsky

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

Ho Chi Minh City Child Welfare Foundation, Vietnam: HCWF ministers to local street children and provides shelter for girls who have been sexually abused. HCWF also supports programs for disabled, disadvantaged and malnourished children, provides pre-natal and post-natal education for needy mothers, and offers community-based child and family support services.

THIS WEEK AT TUC

Jan. 29 (Sun)	8:30 & 11:00 am	Worship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	12:15 pm	Meet-New-Members Luncheon (B1)
	4:00 pm	Evening Praise Service - Ken Inkster
Jan. 30 (Mon)	10:00 am	WS Bible Study (Nishiyama room)
Jan. 31 (Tue)	10:00 am	WS Bible Study (2F)
		Sunday Bulletin Announcement Deadline
Feb. 2 (Thu)	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Balcony)
	7:30 pm	Prayer Group Mtg. (2F)
Feb. 4 (Sat)	4:00 pm	Theology Reading Group (2F)
Feb. 5 (Sun)	8:30 & 11:00 am	Worship
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	4:00 pm	Evening Praise Service - Ken Owusu

<Next New Members Class - February 19 at 12:30 pm in 2F Classroom>