

**Tokyo Union Church**  
**World Communion Sunday**  
**October 2, 2005 at 8:30 & 11:00 am**

PRELUDE

"In My Dear God" by G. Böhm

(11:00) INTROIT

Sanctuary Choir

(\* Please Stand; \*\* Late Seating)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP - *Psalm 19*

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God, all creation speaks volumes of God's handiwork.

**All: Each sunrise proclaims God's faithfulness and the night reveals the Creator's awe.**

Leader: Without a word being spoken, all creation bears witness to the goodness of the Lord.

**All: So, too, may we join in witness with all creation. May the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be God's signature in the world.**

\*\*OPENING HYMN 229

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You, O Lord, have created us for goodness and to live in peace with one another and with you. Yet we have ignored your teachings and substituted our own self-serving goals. As a result we have inherited and perpetuated a world torn by violence, oppression, and strife. And at the heart we are estranged from our Creator and from the true selves you intended us to be. Wash us, we pray, with the healing of your grace. Renew us by the power of your Spirit and guide our feet in the way of peace. As we prepare to feast at your Table, may we rediscover our identity as defined by your love.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*\*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.*

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY - Fall Special Offering (See the back page)

Ken Inkster, elder

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 6:6-8 (OT p. 866)

Lectors: (8:30) Jean Pengosro (11:00) Roxanne Bucaria

\*\*GOOD NEWS FOR KIDS

Pastor Craig Hunter

*Preschool-kindergarten ages may go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor classroom at this time.*

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

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:12-17 (NT p. 201)

SERMON

"Clothe Yourself in Kindness"

Rev. John Hunter

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*(Praying today for Kuala Tripa, Aceh, Indonesia, Programma Comunitario da Reconciliancao, and Peace Center for the Blind)*

The Lord's Prayer – **Ecumenical** (Hymnal p. 16)

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(8:30) Meditative Music

Miwako Horii, organ

(11:00) Anthem

"Bring to the Lord" by E. Butler

Sanctuary Choir

\*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings - "We Are An Offering"

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to You; We are an offering.**

**Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives, they are Yours; We are an offering.**

**All that we have, all that we are, All that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You.**

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to You; We are an offering, We are an offering.**

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 thanks and praise.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING IN CHORAL FORM

Kumiko Nishimura

**All: From all that dwell below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise - Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung; Through every land by every tongue - Alleluia!**

Pastor: The night that Jesus was betrayed, He blessed and broke the loaf and said,

**People: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Pastor: "This is my body here for you, My gift that frees and makes you new."

**People: Alleluia!**

Pastor: Then Jesus also took the cup, After those gathered had all supped,

**People: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Pastor: "This is my lifeblood shed for you, The measure of my love for you."

**People: Alleluia!**

Pastor: "Do this," He said, "till time shall end, In mem'ry of your living Friend" -

**People: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Pastor: "Meet at my table and record, The love of your triumphant Lord."

**People: Alleluia!**

**All: Jesus, your feast we celebrate. We eat the food you consecrate. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
We glimpse that glad eternal feast, To which you welcome great and least. Alleluia!  
O risen Christ, ascended Lord, All praise to you let earth accord - Alleluia! Alleluia!  
You are, while endless ages run, With Creator, and with Spirit one. Alleluia!**

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND SHARING 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 may stand together to commune.*

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During the Communion

Hymn 517 "We Come as Guests Invited"

### EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP

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

### \*CLOSING HYMN

"They'll Know We Are Christians"

**1. We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.**

**We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.**

**And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.**

*(Refrain) And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.*

**Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

**2. We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand.**

**We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand.**

**And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. (Refrain)**

**3. We will work with each other; we will work side by side.**

**We will work with each other; we will work side by side.**

**And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride. (Refrain)**

**4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come.**

**And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.**

**And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one. (Refrain)**

\*BENEDICTION

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

*Following the 11:00 am service, the Prayer and Healing Ministry Team will be available in front of the sanctuary for persons desiring prayer.*

POSTLUDE

“Fugue in D Major” by J. Krieger

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TUC extends a special welcome to today's guest preacher, Rev. Dr. John Hunter, Pastor Craig's father, and to John's wife Peggy.

#### **THIS YEAR'S FALL SPECIAL OFFERING**

*TUC will provide essential relief and a fresh start for people who have not yet received aid from the tsunami disaster in Aceh, Indonesia, support for street children in Brazil, and assistance for women with visual imparities in Israel.*

##### **Kuala Tripa , Aceh, Indonesia**

International aid from last December's tsunami in Asia has still not reached some areas. Kuala Tripa in Aceh, Indonesia was one of the worst hit places in the disaster, leaving it 80% destroyed. As of September, Kuala Tripa had only received support from TUC and ICA Japan. Funds enable people there to restart their lives and livelihoods. TUC's donations will go toward vocational training and purchasing materials to aid them in rebuilding poultry businesses, farming and coconut processing facilities among many others.

##### **Programa Comunitario da Reconciliacao**

The "Programa Comunitario da Reconciliacao" ("Community Program of Reconciliation") is an NPO to aid street children in Sao Paulo, Santo Amaro, Brazil. Sao Paulo is still a city of violence where more than 1/5 of children and youth live in the streets and approximately 4,000 were killed in 2004. This preventive daycare & education center for more than 400 children and teenagers in a slum area of Sao Paulo (established by the Lutheran Church in 1986) has succeeded in sending several teenagers to university and the center itself obtained the KANITZ award in 2002 as one of the most effective children charities in Brazil.

##### **Peace Center for the Blind, East Jerusalem, Israel**

Visually impaired women from impoverished Palestinian families typically are kept home, secluding them from the outside world. The Peace Center for the Blind gives these women a chance to be more self-reliant by offering them an education and vocational training as well as life skills. Presently they have about 25 students from East Jerusalem and refugee camps and villages in the West Bank. Their dream is to buy a building with space for 75 -100 students, serving as a school and boarding house.