

# Centenary Chimes

NEWSLETTER

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## Pastor's Pen



Rev. Sunyoung Lee

Thanksgiving is fast approaching and I would like to share some prayers that I have found that you could use as you gather with your loved ones. May you have a blessed time giving thanks to God for all the blessings you have received.

Peace,  
*Rev. Sunyoung Lee*

### 1. *A Prayer of Praise for God's Grace*

Father God, we give thanks to you with all our hearts; we tell of all your wonderful deeds. We tell of your provision, your protection and your mercy. Today, we tell of all your great blessings lavished on us this year. We ask for your continued grace in the coming year when we again give you glory.

### 2. *A Prayer of Thanks for What We Take for Granted*

Oh God, You are so good. You are faithful and gracious and You have blessed me beyond measure. Thank you for everyday blessings to which I have become accustomed, but never want to take for granted...Thank you my family, my friends, my job, my neighbors. Thank you for freedom to attend my church, for my pastors...and my many relationships. Thank you for the things You are doing in my heart and in my life. I'm grateful that by the power of Your Holy Spirit, I am much different today than I was 10 years ago, or a year ago. ... because of Your power at work in me, continually transforming me into Your image. I love and adore You, Lord, and my heart overflows with gratitude for all these blessings. In the precious name of Jesus, Amen.

– Julie K. Gillies, Contributing Writer

### 3. *A Blessing for a Thanksgiving Meal*

God most provident, we join all creation in raising to you a hymn of thanksgiving through Jesus Christ, your Son. For generation upon generation people of this land have sung of your bounty; we too offer you praise for the rich harvest we have received at your hands. Bless us and this food which we share with grateful hearts. Continue to make our land fruitful and let our love for you be seen in our pursuit of peace and justice and in our generous response to those in need. Praise and glory to you, Lord God, now and forever. Amen.

– Catholic Prayer: Blessing of Food for Thanksgiving

# Joy and Concerns

We are deeply gratified to have had Bishop Roy Sano give such an inspirational message at our Anniversary Sunday on October 20, 2019.  
We will continue to hold Bishop Sano in our thoughts and prayers until our paths cross again.

Please pray for the healing and recovery of:

- ♥ Brian Kurushima
- ♥ Mary Nakajima
- ♥ Mary Enomoto
- ♥ Nellie Mitani

We lift up prayers for the families of:

Emi Murata who passed away. *She is survived by her son Paul and daughter Judy.*  
Mitsuye "Mitzi" Sadamitsu, mother of Mark Sadamitsu, passed away on September 17.  
Gregory Uematsu, D.D.S., passed away at the age of 72, on September 12, 2019.  
*He was a former Knights "Y" Club member.*  
Lillian Yamaka who passed away on October 16, 2019.  
*A long time devout Centenary member is now with her beloved husband,  
George Yamaka, her brother-in-law Wesley Yamaka, and father-in-law Rev. Yuzuru Yamaka.*

## Upcoming Church Activities & Meetings

Nov 16	Nihongo Yard Sale & Country Store, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Nov 17	Finance Committee Meeting, 12:30 p.m. Church & Society Round Table, "What's Up with Centenary UMC" Nihongo Men serving lunch
Nov 24	English Praise Worship, 10:45 a.m. Christmas Crafts Day in fellowship hall after worship Thanksgiving Floral Arrangement Class, 1 – 3 p.m., multi-purpose room
Nov 27	Youth Expressions, 6-7:30 p.m.
Nov 28	Thanksgiving Dinner Project Prep, 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner Project Deliveries
Nov 28-29	Church Office Closed
Dec 1	Advent Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room B Holiday Boutique
Dec 4	Youth Expressions, 6-7:30 p.m.
Dec 8	Advent Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room B Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
Dec 15	Advent Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room B Christmas Floral Arrangement Class, 1-3 p.m., multi-purpose room VIT serving lunch
Dec 18	Youth Expressions, 6-7:30 p.m.
Dec 21	Christmas Pageant Rehearsal, 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Dec 22	Joint Celebration Worship Sunday, 10:45 a.m.
Dec 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service, 6 p.m.
Dec 24-Jan 3	Church Office Closed
Jan 6	Church Office Opens

# Finances

Giving report for August/September 2019 from Gail Nishinaka, Treasurer.

	Aug-Sept Actual	Aug-Sept Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Pledges	\$20,508	\$35,202	\$105,831	\$158,407
Unpledged Giving	\$5,868	\$5,550	\$23,897	\$24,975
Easter Offering			\$10,738	\$10,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$26,376</b>	<b>\$40,752</b>	<b>\$140,466</b>	<b>\$193,382</b>
Apportionments & Quotas	\$12,558	\$8,372	\$37,674	\$37,674

## Regular Church Events

Sunday Mornings:

- + Japanese Language Personal Prayer Time, 8:30 a.m. in Chapel
- + Nihongo Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. with Rev. Ryohei Kawano
- + English Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.
- + English Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. with Rev. Sunyoung Lee
- + Japanese Bible Study, 11:15 a.m.
- + Monday Night Bible Study, 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- + Tuesday Night Praise Band Practice, 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
- + Thursday Eastside Bible Study – 7:30 p.m.

## Blessing of the Animals



# Rally Sunday

by Carolyn Tokunaga



Sunday, September 15 was Rally Sunday at Centenary. Jayden Im and Kamryn Nava received Bibles. Instructors in faith were recognized for their work with children and adults - Judy Asazawa, Mark Nishinaka, Dennis Park, Kathy Sadamitsu, Carole Sasaki, Cynthia Nishinaka

On Rally Sunday, the youth selected Bible verses that have inspired and guided them in their lives. The messages were heartfelt and inspiring as we witnessed how they live their faith.

*Haley Shirai*

**Philippians 2: 3-4** – “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.” I would like to tell a story that just happened about a couple of weeks ago at school. I was talking with a classmate about a Washington DC trip that 90 8th graders will be attending in March. This classmate was so sad because she was going but didn't know too many of the students that were going. So, I asked her if she would like to hang out with me. I could not believe the expression and how her face lit up when she said, yes. (Her smile was from ear to ear.) I even asked her if she would like to be a roommate with me and 2 other classmates in our hotel room. She was so happy and excited and thankful; she could not wait to go home and tell her parents. I believe my faith in God has lead me to make these types of gestures and allows me to continue to be a caring individual.

*Kamryn Nava*

**Matthew 14:22-32** (Jesus Walks on Water) – “Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Jesus walks on water in a storm and the disciples thought he was a spirit. This miracle stuck in my mind because I learned that with faith and trust in Jesus and God, all good things will happen.

This semester I ran for ASB representative but I was scared to give my campaign speech in front of my classmates. But, I really wanted to try to be my class representative. So I made a quick prayer to ask God for courage. When I stood in front of my classmates, I suddenly felt brave and I had lots of confidence. I was able to say my speech easily. I forgot about being scared. The speech came out okay and I was not afraid—just like today! And, I became an ASB representative.

*Joshua Nishinaka*

**Philippians 4:13** “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

To me this verse is very powerful and says a lot. I can relate to this verse because there have been plenty of times when I wanted to quit baseball forever. One mistake could get to you mentally. It will make or break your future in this sport.

I did not stop though because God knows that I can achieve and go above and beyond my goals. Anything is possible as

long as you put your mind to it. Also, God allows you to fail in order to succeed.

No pain, no gain is a saying that says in order to achieve you will suffer at one point. There have been obstacles in all of our lives. That does not mean to turn back or to give up. It really means to discover what you can or can't do. None of it will happen though if you do not give it your best effort. Eventually hard work pays off. God still forgives you even if you make the worst of the worst mistakes. I am a child of God and you are children of God. Let's set things straight and spread God's Word to make this world a much better place.

*Kaimani Nava*

**Luke 14:11** - "For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

This verse is about being humble. This relates to me because during the last game of last season of baseball my teammates and I were playing against a team we knew we were going to beat. This was an important game because it would determine who would go on to play in the league championship. We played them several times during the season and beat them each time.

Even our cheers reflected our confidence in winning. Looking back now, I realize that we were teasing them and making them feel bad. We let them know we had beaten them many times before. At the end of the game we found out we were being too cocky. We were too lazy and our best wasn't in the game.

Not only did we lose the game but we lost the chance to go on to play for the league championship. Two days later we learned that this team won the championship. That made me feel upset and sad. I have never won a championship game in this league.

This memory really connected to this Bible verse. The lesson I learned is to play each game with our skills and teamwork, not by boasting about our other game scores. This was a very embarrassing lesson on how to be humble.

*Jayden Im*

**Genesis 1:1** - "In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth,..."

I chose this verse because I love the earth and it gives me joy and peace. When I see the ocean it brings me memories of my family playing at the beach and when I was younger, I remember the times I would fight with my brother at the beach which was still good times. I also love the ocean because it's a home for animals and it provides food for them.

When I'm surrounded by nature, it brings me great peace. When I'm at a park sitting on a bench under a tree, I love the breeze because it calms me down when my family and I are having tough times. I love watching the grass, the trees, the sky, and birds flying. I also enjoy watching squirrels because they make me laugh.

God also created the light and the dark. I don't like the dark though because it scares me because I think there are ghosts watching me. I like the light because I get to wake up early in the morning and bother my mom.

Lastly, God created heaven. I love heaven because God is there and He is protecting us on earth. When we die, it makes me feel good knowing that I will meet God one day in heaven. I see heaven as a better place to live than earth because there's joy and peace and no worries every day.

This is why I chose Genesis 1 verse 1 because what God created is a fantastic place to live.

*Caleb Im*

**Proverbs 3:5-6** - "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

I chose this verse because there have been times I needed help or felt scared and I had to rely on Him. Last July 4th, there was an earthquake. It was a very big earthquake and it shook Downtown LA very hard. I felt scared because my apartment shook hard and it felt very long. On that day I prayed to God to stop the earthquakes and 2 days later, the earthquakes stopped. I trusted him that He would stop the earthquake and we were safe.

Another time I had to trust in God was when I was at the supermarket with my Mom and my brother Jayden. I went to the restroom but when I came out, my family wasn't there. I was very scared so I prayed to the Lord to help me find my family. When I prayed I felt a bit better because I knew God was going to help me. I then asked someone for help and I stayed where I was at. The person asked me a description of my Mom but at that very moment, my family came and I felt very relieved and happy.

During these situations, I trusted in God and he really helped me.

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# Team Aiko

by Carolyn Tokunaga

Aiko's Team ran/walked for Suicide Prevention. It is a way for the Centenary family and friends to remember and honor the 14 years of Aiko Nobori's life and to raise awareness of the signs of depression and suicide.



# Rally Sunday

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Emily Doi

**Philippians 4:6-7** – “Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

"It's a crisp, early morning--barely 7 am-- and my mom and I are in the car, driving to school. While I'm rifling through my backpack and organizing my things, my mom patiently waits for me. Once I'm finished with whatever I'm doing, she turns and asks me, "Would you like to start our morning prayer?" It's our routine; every morning on the way to school, we say a morning prayer. It's short and sweet, taking two minutes, but it means a lot to us. In our morning prayers, we count our blessings and thank the Lord for what we have. We ask Him to continue to keep our family safe, happy, and healthy and ask him to support each family member in his or her daily endeavors. No matter what I'm worried about--will I achieve all I set out to do today, will others understand the message I'm trying to convey, will I be able to make the most of this day--after our morning prayer, I feel as if everything will be alright. In those quiet, serene two minutes of my morning, my fears and anxieties are replaced with motivation and inspiration. In those two minutes, my mindset resets, setting an uplifting tone for the rest of the day. In those two minutes, I am made to feel completely at ease.

Philippians 4:6-7 resonates with me because it precisely describes my relationship with prayer. Through my morning routine, I've come to realize that the essence of prayer isn't in having all of your wishes come true. Let me tell you, I can pray for an A on my test all I want, but I've learned that hard way that without the proper preparation and effort, no amount of prayer is going to be able to hand me that A! Instead, the power of prayer is in the calm I feel before taking that exam. The power of prayer is in the sheer joy I feel when I nail a tough passage in a cello performance. The power of prayer is in the strength and endurance I muster up when I'm powering through a week filled with orchestra seating auditions, ASB Homecoming rally set-ups, and Girl Scout projects. So all in all, for me, prayer means peace. Prayer means thankfulness. And most of all, prayer means protection in Christ Jesus, which is why those daily two minutes mean so much to me."

# Acknowledgements

Donations August 12, 2019 to October 20, 2019

## MEMORIALS

Asazawa, Judy - In memory of Dr. Ben Tamaki  
Asazawa, Judy - In memory of Mitsue Sadamitsu  
Hagiya, Yoshie - In memory of Mrs. Sadamitsu  
Hagiya, Yoshie - In memory of Dr. Ben Tamaki  
Haruta, Steve and Jan - In memory of Dr. Ben Tamaki  
Haruta, Steve and Jan - In memory of Paul Hagiya  
Kakimi, Makiko - Memorial  
Kubo, Ruth - In memory of Loved Ones  
Kurushima, Brian - In memory of Mary Meri Kurushima  
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Matsuno, Lori - In memory of John Terui  
Miyazaki, Lynn and Shu - In memory of Mary Toma  
Miyazaki, Lynn and Shu - In memory of Masako Tomota  
Morita, Albert and Pauline - In memory of Dr. Ben Tamaki  
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Rivera, Jane and Ernie - In memory of Dr. Ben Tamaki  
Saito, Mary - In memory of Kaz Saito  
Sasaki, Skeeter and Carole - In memory of Mitsue Sadamitsu  
Serizawa, Yoichi - In memory of Emi Serizawa  
Tamaki, Susan - In memory of Dr. Ben Tamaki  
Tokunaga, Carolyn - In memory of Mark's Mom, Mitsuye Sadamitsu

## 123rd ANNIVERSARY

Asazawa, Judy  
Carlos, Arelia and Florencio  
Furuta, Sandee  
Goerke, Dorothy  
Green, Mary Tamaki  
Griffin, Takeko  
Hasegawa, Ron and Sonoko  
Hayashi, Karin  
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Lew, Cynthia and Victor  
Matsuno, Lori  
Miyake, Masako  
Miyaoaka, Mush and Grace

Miyashiro, Ed  
Nakagawa, Mark and Pam  
Nishimura, Setsuko  
Nishinaka, Angel  
Nishinaka, Robert and Gail  
Nobori, Marilyn  
O'Brien, Gloria Fujita  
Okada, Dorothea  
Okuda, Sakae  
Oyama, Wendell and Jane  
Pinto, Art  
Sadamitsu, Mark and Kathy  
Saruwatari, Tom and Donna  
Saito, Mary  
Shohara, Hisako  
Shum, Patrick  
Tait, Tom and Michele  
Tamaki, Anna Mae  
Tamaki, Paul  
Tamaki, Susan  
Tanimoto, Patricia  
Togawa, Fred and Kaz  
Tokunaga, Carolyn  
Ujiye, Donna  
Urugami, Stan  
Uyemura, Vicky  
Wong, France  
Yamaki, June

Yamamoto, Hideko  
Yamamoto, Tim and Tomoko  
Yamanaka, Russell and Barbara  
Yasui, Emmie  
Yun, Jake and Yoko

## WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Asazawa, Judy  
Haruta, Steve and Jan  
Kasuyama, Terry  
Matsuno, Lori  
Nishinaka, Robert and Gail  
Nobori, Marilyn  
O'Brien, Gloria  
Oyama, Jonathan  
Oyama, Wendell and Jane  
Sasaki, Skeeter and Carole  
Tokunaga, Carolyn  
Uyemura, Vicky  
Yun, Ashley

## SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Edwards, Susan - Donation towards office supplies  
Edwards, Susan - Donation towards utility bill  
Fujita, Gloria - La Oportunidad  
Hiroshige, Ernest - Soup Kitchen at McArther Park  
Hiroshige, Ernest - Homeless food donation program  
Honjo, Osamu - Thank you  
Kondo, Shig and Yuko - In Appreciation for Prayers  
Kubo, Ruth - Thanks for birthday card  
Kuruma, Harry and Carole - Church and Society lunch donation  
Leon, Vicky - La Oportunidad  
Miyaoaka, Mush and Grace - Stamps  
Nisei Week Foundation - Special Offering  
Nishinaka, Robert and Gail - Angel Nishinaka birthday  
Nobori, Marilyn - UMCOR  
Sano, Bishop Roy - Celebrating ministry of Rev Sunyoung Lee  
Shepherd, William - La Oportunidad  
Shirai, Emmie - Thank you for birthday wishes  
Takasugi, Tomoko - Wedding for Eric  
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## *Church & Society's Commitment to LGBTQIA Inclusivity & Starting the Dialog About Becoming a Reconciling Congregation*

by Kris Leese & the Church & Society Committee

Church & Society's role within the United Methodist church is to work in areas of important social concern and develop strategies that address issues of social justice within our society. Our church and society committee seeks to project the vision of God's full inclusive love openly and proudly not only to everyone that walks through the doors of our church, but also by changing our vision and mission statements to reflect this full inclusion. Specifically, we are interested in and have started down the path to become a reconciling congregation.

So what does this mean? A Reconciling Congregation is one that affirms people of all sexual orientations and gender identities with the aim to transform our Church and world into the full expression of Christ's inclusive love. The LGBTQIA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, Asexual) population has suffered discrimination and exclusion for decades, not only within churches but within society at large. As we all know, the UMC has just voted to proceed with the Traditional Plan, further excluding and discriminating against people who identify as LGBT. By declaring ourselves a Reconciling Congregation, we are stating that contrary to the UMC international body, which states that "homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching...", we believe that our Church should welcome all of God's children to participate fully in all aspects of worship and that individuals who identify as LGBT must be expressly included. Also by doing so, we would make it clear that we will not discriminate based on gender identification or sexual orientation when it comes to holding leadership positions within the church, ordination, and marriage.

If we vote to become a Reconciling Congregation, we would display a statement (such as on our website, bulletins, and newsletters) that we are a Reconciling Congregation and we welcome all regardless of gender identification or sexual orientation. Simply stating that we "welcome all" in our welcoming statement does not technically welcome LGBT persons under the UMC rules, which is why it is necessary for us to expressly do so. Other than that, our Church will continue as always to welcome all to worship together and to celebrate our Japanese American and multicultural heritage, but may include the occasional pride flag for special occasions.

Throughout this process, we sincerely want to engage with everyone personally to gain a better understanding of how everyone feels about becoming Reconciling. So if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to any of us in the Church & Society committee, and we'll be happy to have a conversation. Also, the Church & Society Committee plans to hold monthly events relating to LGBT inclusivity and reconciling. Please keep an eye out for these events in the announcements and plan to join us for open discussion and education. Let's all work together in order to "Touch Heaven and Change Earth" so that Centenary can be a true expression of God's full inclusive love. God Bless.

Next Event: November 17, 2019 at 12:30pm

**Round Table Discussion: "What's Up with Centenary and the UMC"** - An open discussion of the history of LGBT exclusion in the UMC, the Traditional Plan that was recently passed at the General Conference, and the plans being proposed for the 2020 General Conference. Dessert, coffee, and tea will be served.





Congratulations to Jon Sasaki for making a hole-in-one during Centenary's Golf Tournament!



## Annual Golf Tournament

Holy Moly...We Had a Hole-in-One at Centenary's Golf Tournament!

The sun was out as sixty golfers enjoyed a day of golf at the Montebello Country Club on September 27, 2019 for Centenary's 26th Annual Golf Tournament. Congratulations to Jon Sasaki for making a hole-in-one on the 6th hole and to the prize winners of Centenary's Golf Tournament.

The golf committee would like to thank all of our sponsors, golfers, raffle prize donors, golf donors, and those who bought raffle tickets. With your support, Centenary will continue to open its doors to all in Little Tokyo and beyond.

Thanks to those who helped with the golf tournament, namely, Carol Fujita, Frank Jurado, Alan Kuruma, Harry & Carole Kuruma, Rev. Sunyoung Lee, Randy Masada, Terry Miyashiro-Sonoda, Michele Nagata, Lori Nakama, Robert & Gail Nishinaka, Dennis Park, Jane Rivera, Skeeter Sasaki, Darren & Linda Shirai, Fred Togawa, Carolyn Tokunaga, and Tim & Tomoko Yamamoto. There is absolutely no way we could have had the golf tournament this year without their help! Special thanks to Fred Togawa who was Centenary's golf chairperson for so many years and who helped me every step of the way during my first year as the chairperson of the golf tournament.

Please save the date for Centenary's 27th Annual Golf Tournament which will be on September 25, 2020 at the Montebello Country Club!

In Christ,  
Vicky Leon  
2019 Centenary Golf Tournament Chairperson

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## Annual Golf Tournament...cont.

### Congratulations to the winners of Centenary's Golf Tournament!

#### Men's Flight A:

Low Gross	Gus Campos	70	\$100
Low Net 1	Wyman Wong	63	\$100
Low Net 2	Hajime Takahashi	65	\$50
Low Net 3	Richard Goto	66	\$30
Front	Gus Campos	30	\$50
Back	Hajime Takahashi	31	\$50

#### Men's Callaway:

Low Gross	Erik Stratton	72	\$100
Low Net 1	Grant Nakagawa	71	\$100
Low Net - TIE	Michael Park	72	\$40
Low Net - TIE	Bernard Leon	72	\$40
Front	Bernard Leon	33.5	\$50
Back	Grant Nakagawa	33.5	\$50

#### Men's Flight B:

Low Gross	Tetsu Tanimoto	91	\$100
Low Net 1	Randy Sato	61	\$100
Low Net 2	Akira Tanimoto	63	\$50
Low Net 3	Norio Fujii	66	\$30
Front	Randy Sato	31.5	\$50
Back	Randy Sato	29.5	\$50

#### Women's Flight:

Low Gross - TIE	Miiko Ishikawa	106	\$50
Low Gross - TIE	Rinko Tanabe	106	\$50
Low Net	Tomoko Yamamoto	76	\$100
Front	Emi Imoto	37	\$50
Back - TIE	Miiko Ishikawa	36	\$25
Back - TIE	Tomoko Yamamoto	36	\$25

#### Closest to the Pin:

Bernard Leon 6' 1" \$100

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## Christmas Crafts Day



Please join us for Christmas Crafts Day, November 24th at 12:00 in the Fellowship Hall. It is a free event and open to everyone of all ages.



## Holiday Boutique



### HANDCRAFTED GIFTS

Handwoven runners/scarves, crocheted cowl and infinity scarves, beautiful hand beaded necklaces and earrings, zippered cosmetic bags, beautiful afghans and toasty fleece blankets, gift towels, hats, a variety of bags, soup bowl cozies, and so much more. You might find the perfect stocking stuffers.

Come shop for unique Christmas gifts - all lovingly crafted.

## Pastors Pen

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### 4. A Thankful Prayer in the Good Times and Bad

Father God, we are thankful for the good times, the bad times, the days of plenty and the days of none. Today we bless and praise you with words and without. May our faces, hearts and hands be proof of our gratitude. Thank you for the people that are near and those who are far from us. Thank you for this celebration so we can complete your will to continually give thanks. Amen.

– Based on 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



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