

The32th Sunday Rite of the year

23th Sunday of Pentecost Worship Service

《Sunday Morning Divine Liturgy》

【Entrance Part】

- Prelude (Silent Prayer)
"Praise the Lord"
(Hymn 21, No.151)
Composed by H. Peter
- Greeting
- Hymn 21-503
- Opening Prayer
- Reading Psalms120

【Worship of the Word】

- Scripture
 - ✚ Jeremiah 2:4-9
 - ✚ John 8:12-20
(Old Tes P.1174., New Tes P.181)
- Response Hymns 21-46
- Lecture Pastor Takaaki Inoue
"I am the light of the world"
- Apostles' Creed

【Communion Worship】

- Consecration Hymns 21-72
- Church Prayer (Litany)
- Peace Greetings
- Hymns21-83
- The Lord's Prayer
- The Supper

【Response, Dispatch, and Blessing】

- Hymn 21-509
- Offering of Thanksgiving
- Hymns of Glory Hymns 21-24
- Words of Dispatch
- Prayer of Blessing
- Aftermath (Silent Prayer)
"To Become Children of Light"
(Hymn 21, No.509)
Composed by Shinichi Takanami

【Today's Worship Service】

- AssistantCerver : Hitoshi Katsumi
- Musician : Sachie Shikano
- Donation Duty : Kimiko Kobuchi
- Reception Duty : Masato Sawada

【Today's schedule】

- ◇Church school (9:30 a.m.)
 - Talk : Masato Sawada
- ◇Hymn practice (after service)
- ◇Joint prayer meeting (after service)
- ◇Church School Teachers' Meeting
(after service)

【Information on this week's church meetings】

- ◇Morning prayer
 - November 11 (Thurs) 9:00a.m.
 - November 14(Fri) 9:00 a.m.
- ◇English Conversation
 - November13(Thurs)7:30 p.m.

【Information on next Sunday】

- ◇Church School Service (9:30 a.m.)
 - Talk : Inoue Mariko
- ◇Sunday Morning Service
November 16 (10:30 a.m.)
 - Scripture

✚Jeremiah 4:1-4

✚John 8:31-38

- Lecture by Pastor Takaaki Inoue
"The Truth Will Set You Free"
- Hymn 21 137、46、443
- Reading Psalms 121
- AssistantCerver : Masato Sawada
- Musician : Masako Iida
- Donation Duty : undecided
- Reception duty : Hideo Okumiya
- ◇Hymn practice (after service)
- ◇Joint prayer meeting (after service)
- ◇Mission Committee (After Worship)

Scripture

I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me
will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.]

(John 8:12)

【Reports and personal disappearances】

- (1) "Pastor Inoue's schedule for this week" :
Tuesday, the 11th, 1:00 PM: "Sharon Senri
Facility Liaison Meeting" Thursday, the 13th,
8:50 AM: "Omiya Nursery School Field Trip"
- (2) 《Scheduled church events for November》
 - November 18 (Tue) 10:00 AM "Mental Health
Study Session" Participation fee: ¥500
 - November 23 (Sun) 10:00 AM "Harvest
Thanksgiving Service", followed by "Hot Pot
Party"
 - November 24 (Mon) 1:30 PM "Sharon Senri
Worship Service"
- (3) The graveside service at Osaka Memorial
Park on Monday, November 3rd (a national
holiday) was attended by 14 adults and 1 child,
for a total of 15 participants. We are grateful.
- (4) Last week, Ms. Roro, Gao Yi, Gao Feng, and
their family attended worship for the first time.
We are grateful. We pray for good fellowship.
- (5) 【Today's prayer task】
For the construction of a new church building.
For peace to be realized in Ukraine and Gaza. For
friends and family in prison. For the growth of
children. For the sake of new believers and
seekers.

(6) 【Last week's meeting statistics】

day	meeting	boy	girl	adult	total	Donation
2	Church school	—	1	4	5	¥1,400
	meeting	male	female	child	total	Donation
2	Morning Service	5	16	5	20	¥10,250
6	Morning prayer	3	1	—	4	
7	Morning prayer	2	3	—	5	

(7) 【11/2donation report】

【Monthly Subscription】 Inoue Takaaki, Aizawa
Yoshiko, Iida Masako, Inoue Mariko, Inoue Asako,
Inoue Seiichiro, Katsumi Hitoshi, Kotubo Hanae,
Kobuchi Kimiko, Kobuchi Yoshihiro, Yukie Shikano,
Ritsuko Terada, Akemi Hishida, Kenichi Yamachiyo,
Seiko Yamachiyo (Total: ¥112,500) [Gratitude]
Masako Iida, Emiko Sakaguchi (Total: ¥12,000)
[Construction] Takaaki Inoue, Masako Iida, Mariko
Inoue, Ritsuko Terada (Total: ¥13,000) [Mutual Aid]
Takaaki Inoue, Mariko Inoue, Hideo Okumiya,
Sachie Shikano, Ritsuko Terada (Total: ¥6,000)

【Continuation of last week's sermon summary】

✚To belong to what is above means "to
belong to the kingdom of God." Through
baptism, we were buried with Christ and
died to this world. At the same time, we
were raised to belong to the kingdom of God.
Though our bodies still dwell in this world,
we already live in the kingdom of God, and
our citizenship is in heaven. This also means
"our master has changed." Since we have
made Christ our master, we must not serve
earthly masters. As the Nicene Creed
confesses, "We believe in one Lord, Jesus
Christ," our Master is Christ alone.
Therefore, the early Christians rejected
earthly masters (emperors) and joyfully
accepted martyrdom.
Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna in the 2nd
century, was a disciple of the Apostle John.
Captured during persecution, he was led to
the place of execution. The executioner
offered him a final chance: "Curse Christ,
and I will spare you." Polycarp replied, "For
86 years I have followed Christ, and in all
that time He has never brought me
misfortune, but only bestowed His grace
upon me. How could I curse a Lord who
loves me so much?" With these words, he
went to his martyrdom.
Since Christ, our Master, commanded us to
keep His words, they are the law of heaven,
and we must obey them. Why then do we
live as if belonging to this world? The
believers of the early church clearly
understood that faith means dying to this
world and being born into God's kingdom.
This world is passing away. We should
spend more time on what endures forever.
As those belonging to Christ, as citizens of
heaven, let us live wisely in this world.