FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, October 11 10:45 service



Good morning! Please click here if you would like to submit a prayer request.

Welcome Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Prelude *Meditation on "Beach Spring"* Dennis Janzer (b.1954)

Hymn Come, Thou Almighty King UMH 61 vs 1, 2, 4

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, scatter thy foes.
Let thine almighty aid our sure defense be made, our souls on thee be stayed; thy wonders show.

Life of the Community

Call to Worship

We are standing on holy ground.

All those who have gone before us have witnessed to the love of God.

We are challenged to be people of loving service continuing the work of the church. Lord, open our hearts and spirits to accept the call to serve you by giving to others. We are all in! We come to worship you!

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,

and to eternity love and adore.

Children's Moment

Pastoral Prayer

Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Lord's Prayer

Our Creator in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
And deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture

Exodus 3:9-12

Message

Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Hymn

Whom Shall I Send

UMH 582

I, the Lord of sea and sky I have heard my people cry All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart

I, who made the stars of night I will make their darkness bright Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne my people's pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away

Anthem

God of Comfort, God of Courage

Wilbur Chenoweth (1899-1980)

Offertory Prayer

Living God, you miraculously used the burning bush to attract the attention of Moses. Just as the bush was on fire but not destroyed, so you sustain those you call to fulfill your purposes. Thank you for responding to the needs of your people and creating new leaders. By your Holy Spirit, help us trust you completely as we seek to spend our lives following Jesus, your Son. Let us be bold witnesses of your amazing power and love. We offer you these gifts for the work of your church here and around the world, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Offertory

O Waly, O Waly

Emma Lou Diemer (b.1927)

Doxology

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH No. 94

Closing Hymn

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

UMH 664

Sent forth by God's blessing,

Our true faith confessing,

The people of God from His dwelling take leave.

The Supper is ended.

O now be extended

The fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of His teaching,

Receptive souls reaching,

Shall blossom in action for God and for all.

His grace did invite us,

His love shall unite us

To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

With praise and thanksgiving

To God ever-living,

The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.

Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,

Embracing His children of each tribe and race.

With Your feast You feed us,

With Your light now lead us;

Unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving

Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

Benediction

Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Receive the good news of Jesus the Christ in Benediction. As Christ has shown mercy upon us redeeming us with his life, go and redeem one another.

Alleluia UMH 186

Postlude

Toccata on Psalm 150

Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)

Virtual Coffee & Chat

Join us after the service for a virtual coffee chat! All are welcome.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81124350936

Please message Paula McKinney or Pastor Ann for the password.