

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

# Transfiguration Sunday



Sunday, February 14  
10:45 service

Good morning! Please click [here](#) if you would like to submit a prayer request.

Welcome

Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Introit

*Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above*

Lloyd Pfautsch (1921-2003)

Prelude

*Adoration*

Florence Price (1887-1953)

Processional Hymn

*Christ is the World's Light*

UMH 188

Christ is the world's light, Christ and none other;  
born in our darkness, he became our brother.  
If we have seen him, we have seen the Father:  
Glory to God on high!

Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none other;  
no one can serve him and despise another.  
Who else unites us, one in God the Father?  
Glory to God on high!

Christ is the world's life, Christ and none other;  
sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother;  
he, who redeems us, reigns with God the Father:  
Glory to God on high!

Give God the glory, God and none other;  
give God the glory, Spirit, Son, and Father;  
give God the glory, God with us, my brother:  
Glory to God on high!

Life of the Community

## Call to Worship

We do not know what to say,  
**For we are afraid.**  
But a cloud overshadows us,  
**And a voice comes to us—**  
“This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!”  
**Lord, we listen today!**

## Pastoral Prayer

### Lord's Prayer

Our Creator who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## Scripture

*Mark 9:2-9*

## Hymn

*O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair*

UMH 258

O wondrous sight! O vision fair  
of glory that the church shall share,  
which Christ upon the mountain shows,  
where brighter than the sun he glows!

From age to age the tale declares  
how with the three disciples there  
where Moses and Elijah meet,  
the Lord holds converse high and sweet.

The law and prophets there have place,  
two chosen witnesses of grace;  
the Father's voice from out the cloud  
proclaims his only Son aloud.

With shining face and bright array,  
Christ deigns to manifest that day  
what glory shall be theirs above  
who joy in God with perfect love.

And faithful hearts are raised on high  
by this great vision's mystery;  
for which in joyful strains we raise  
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

Message

Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Anthem

*Anthem for Transfiguration*

Paul Hofreiter

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Prayer

God of Transformation, we come together as those who have met you on the mountaintop. We have each had our holy encounters with you; and in those moments, we have wanted to stay on the mountain and retreat from the world. We know that is our longing, not yours. So, as we offer our gifts this morning in response to your blessings in our life, remind us that our mission begins as we leave this place, and help us hold our memories of those mountaintop encounters with you in our hearts. We pray boldly in Jesus' name. Amen.

Offertory

*I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*

Doxology

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH No. 94

Closing Hymn

*To God Be the Glory*

UMH 98

To God be the glory, great things he hath done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. (Refrain)

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,  
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Benediction

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*Alleluia*

UMH 186

Postlude

*Postlude on "We Shall Overcome"*

Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)

## 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.