



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 13

10:45 AM SERVICE

Prelude *Adoration* Florence Price (1887-1953)

Introit *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* Lloyd Pfautsch (1921-2003)

Welcome Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Opening Hymn *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* UMH 315 v. 1, 4, 5

1. Come, ye faithful, raise the strain
of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought forth Israel
into joy from sadness;
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
Jacob's sons and daughters,
led them with unmoistened foot
through the Red Sea waters.

4. Neither might the gates of death,
nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal
hold thee as a mortal;
but today amidst the twelve
thou didst stand, bestowing
that thy peace which evermore
passeth human knowing.

5. "Alleluia!" now we cry
to our King immortal,
who, triumphant, burst the bars
of the tomb's dark portal;
"Alleluia!" with the Son,
God the Father praising,
"Alleluia!" yet again
to the Spirit raising.

Children's Moment Reverend Gerardo García Palacios

Life of the Community Mira Dabrowski

Call to Worship Pamela Cutkosky

May today there be peace within.

May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you.

May you be confident knowing you are a child of God.

Let this presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.

It is there for each and every one of us.

Pastoral Prayer Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Lord's Prayer Mira Dabrowski

Our Creator who art in heaven, hallowed be your Name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem *To Live Is Christ* Eugene Butler (1935)

Scripture *1 Corinthians 15:12-20* Jeff King

Hymn *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UMH 206 v. 1 & 2

I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus,
God set the stars
to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

(Refrain)
In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2. I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness,
shine on my path,
and show me
the way to the Father.

(Refrain)

VirtuAll Voices *Battle Belongs* Phil Wickham

Sermon Reverend Carol Moore

Invitation to the Offering Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Offertory Prayer Pamela Cutkosky

Sovereign God, we give our tithes and gifts this day, knowing that you are deserving of the best we have to offer. The tithe in scripture we are called to give is to be our first fruits – not what is leftover. Yet in his writing, Paul reminds us that Christ was, in fact, the first fruits in your new covenant of salvation for each of us! May we live as an offering worthy of this great gift. We pray this in is Christ’s name! Amen.

Offertory *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me* arr. William Farley Smith (1941-1997)
Traditional African American Spiritual

Doxology

Closing Hymn *Christ Is The World's Light* UMH 188

1. 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!

2. 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!

3. 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!

4. 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!

Benediction Reverend Dr. Debra Murray

Alleluia

Postlude *Postlude on "We Shall Overcome"* Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)