



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

## Third Sunday After Pentecost

SUNDAY JUNE 26

10:45 AM SERVICE

Prelude	<i>Gather Us In</i>	Jeffrey Honoré (b. 1956)
Welcome		Reverend Mary Elyn Bahlert
*Opening Hymn	<i>Gather Us In</i>	Faith We Sing (FWS) 2236

1. Here in this place new light is streaming  
Now is the darkness vanished away  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings  
Brought here to you in the light of this day  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken  
Gather us in, the blind and the lame  
Call to us now and we shall awaken  
We shall arise at the sound of our name

2. We are the young, our lives are a mystery  
We are the old who yearn for your face  
We have been sung throughout all of history  
Called to be light to the whole human race  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty  
Gather us in, the proud and the strong  
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly  
Give us the courage to enter the song

3. Here we will take the wine and the water  
Here we will take the bread of new birth  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters  
Call us anew to be salt for the earth  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion  
Give us to eat the bread that is you  
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion  
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true

4. Not in the dark of buildings confining  
Not in some heaven light years away  
But here in this place the new light is shining  
Now is the kingdom, now is the day  
Gather us in and hold us forever  
Gather us in and make us your own  
Gather us in, all peoples together  
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones

Children's Moment		Reverend Gerardo García Palacios
Life of the Community		Colleen Crangle
*Call to Worship		Colleen Crangle

God is a God who calls.

**We have gathered to worship and to hear that call.**

God is a God who equips.

**We are here to worship and to be shaped into the body of Christ.**

God is a God who sends.

**We are here to worship so that we can carry that spirit of worship out into the world where we live.**

God is a God who blesses.

**We are here to worship and to request a double share of that blessing.**

Let us worship God.

**Amen!**

Pastoral Prayer		Reverend Mary Elyn Bahlert
Lord's Prayer		Reverend Mary Elyn Bahlert

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	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>	arr. Alice Parker
Scripture	<i>Ephesians 2:11-22</i>	Sandra Florstedt

\*Hymn *Jesus, United By Thy Grace* United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) 561

1. Jesus, united by thy grace  
and each to each endeared,  
with confidence we seek thy face  
and know our prayer is heard.

2. Help us to help each other, Lord,  
each other's cross to bear;  
let all their friendly aid afford,  
and feel each other's care.

3. Up unto thee, our living Head,  
let us in all things grow;  
till thou hast made us free indeed  
and spotless here below.

4. Touched by the lodestone of thy love,  
let all our hearts agree,  
and ever toward each other move,  
and ever move toward thee.

5. To thee, inseparably joined,  
let all our spirits cleave;  
O may we all the loving mind  
that was in thee receive.

6. This is the bond of perfectness,  
thy spotless charity;  
O let us, still we pray, possess  
the mind that was in thee.

Message *No Longer Strangers to One Another* Reverend Mary Elyn Bahlert

Invitation to the Offering Colleen Crangle

Offertory Prayer Colleen Crangle

**Loving and welcoming God, we have come through a time in our lives when, for many months, we sheltered in our homes: working from home, learning from home, worshiping from home. As we bring our tithes and offering to you this morning, you open our minds to a wider definition of home and a broader definition of family. May the gifts we give today find their way to home projects: ways this world can feel like a safer, more loving home to all your children. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.**

Offertory *What A Friend We Have in Jesus* Neil Harmon (b. 1967)

\*Doxology UMH 95

\*Closing Hymn *In Christ There is No East or West* UMH 548

1. In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no south or north;  
but one great fellowship of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.

2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere  
their high communion find;  
his service is the golden cord  
close binding humankind.

3. In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek,  
and neither slave nor free;  
both male and female  
heirs are made, and all are kin to me.

4. In Christ now meet both east and west,  
in him meet south and north;  
all Christly souls are one in him  
throughout the whole wide earth

\*Benediction Reverend Mary Elyn Bahlert

\*Alleluia

Postlude *Toccata - Sortie* Auguste Larriu (1840-1925)

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our father,  
Earl Edward Ross, Sr., by Vickey Conley.

*\*Please stand as you are able where indicated by an asterisk.*