



# First United Methodist Church of Palo Alto

Sunday, October 30, 2022

Prelude *All Things Bright and Beautiful* Neil Harmon (b. 1967)

Welcome Linda Grossman

Introit *What Shall I Render?* Jane Marshall

Life of the Community Linda Grossman

\*Call to Worship Linda Grossman

With the pressing crowds, searching for healing and hope,  
**We wish to see Jesus.**  
With the pushed out and cast aside, with the lonely lost, stripped of pride,  
**We wish to see Jesus.**  
With those who seek mystery and meaning, wisdom and grace,  
**We wish to see Jesus.**

\*Opening Hymn *For All That Dwell Below the Skies* UMH 101

1. From all that dwell below the skies,  
let the Creator's praise arise;  
let the Redeemer's name be sung,  
through every land by every tongue.

3. Your lofty themes, ye mortals, bring,  
in songs of praise divinely sing;  
the great salvation loud proclaim,  
and shout for joy the Savior's name.

2. Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;  
eternal truth attends thy word.  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,  
till suns shall rise and set no more.

4. In every land begin the song;  
to every land the strains belong;  
in cheerful sounds all voices raise,  
and fill the world with loudest praise.

VirtuAll Voices *We Are Called* by David Haas, arr. Tim Biglow

Children's Moment Reverend Gerardo García Palacios

Prayer of Confession Tom Fingar

**Lord, we confess our day to day failure to be truly human. We confess that we often fail to love with all we have and are, often because we do not fully understand what loving means, often because we are afraid of risking ourselves. We cut ourselves off from each other and we erect barriers of division. We confess that by silence and ill-considered word we have built up walls of prejudice. We confess that by selfishness and lack of sympathy we have stifled generosity and left little time for others. Holy Spirit, speak to us. Help us listen to your word of forgiveness, for we are very deaf. Come, fill this moment and free us from sin.**

Lord's Prayer Tom Fingar

**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.**

Chancel Choir Anthem *An Offering* Dan Forrest

Invitation to the Offering Linda Grossman

Consecration of Estimates of Giving Tom Fingar

Offertory Prayer Linda Grossman

**Mighty God, Architect of the Universe; your work of creation and building is always before us! We give our gifts this day in hopes that we might be co-builders with you in the creation of your kingdom here on earth! This is your church, our gifts secure the future of your church. Praise be to you, O God.**

Offertory *For the Fruit of All Creation* Frank Stoldt (b. 1958)

\*Doxology UMH 95

\*Hymn *My Gratitude, Now Accept, O God* Faith We Sing 2044

1. My gratitude now accept, O God,  
for tender care that you provide;  
for your abundant faithfulness.  
Endless is your supply.

3. I bring to you all my love and praise.  
I glorify and bless your name.  
Let me adore you, Holy One.  
with every breath I take.

2. From all your bounty I give to you;  
for all the blessings you impart.  
Receive this offering I bring.  
Receive my joyful heart.

4. All that is living belongs to you;  
all that I am in your hands kept.  
From abundance of your hand,  
gifts from the heart accept.