

Message *A BIG THANK YOU* Reverend Doug Norris

*Closing Hymn *Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God* UMH 604

- 1. Praise and thanksgiving be to our God our maker,
source of all blessing, prodigal creator.
Baptized and made your own,
now we come before you, while we adore you.
- 2. Not our own holiness nor that we have striven
brings us the peace which you, O Christ, have given.
Baptized and set apart, strengthen us,
O Savior, with grace and favor.
- 3. Come, Holy Spirit, come in visitation;
you are the truth, our hope, and our salvation.
Baptize with joy and power, give,
O Dove descending, life never ending.
- 4. Praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
one Lord, one faith, one source of every merit.
Here now renew your church
through this water given; grant peace from heaven.

*Benediction Reverend Doug Norris

*Alleluia

Postlude *Glory to God on High* arr. John Longhurst (b. 1940)

Altar flowers are given by Tom & Orlene Fingar in celebration of
the marriage of our son, Craig Fingar, and Elizabeth Bugbee on Oct 8.

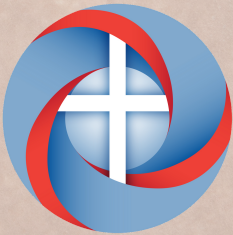
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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

Thanksgiving Sunday

SUNDAY November 20, 2022
10:45 AM SERVICE



First United Methodist Church of Palo Alto

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Prelude *Rodrigo-Suite (Ouverture)* G.F. Handel
Fiume di Musica

Welcome Reverend Doug Norris

Greeting Song *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love* FWS 2223

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord (2x)
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Life of the Community Cedric Fellows

*Call to Worship Cedric Fellows

It is done.
God has always been in charge— yesterday and today.
Even when things seem out of control,
God's reign is on its way.
Let us prepare the way for God.

*Opening Hymn *Come, Ye Thankful People Come* UMH 694

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

2. All the world is God's own field,
fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown
are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take the harvest home;
from the field shall in that day
all offenses purge away,
giving angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store
in the garner evermore.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come,
bring thy final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home.

VirtuAll Voices *Wana Baraka* Trad. Kenyan
arr. Shawn Kirchner

Children's Moment Reverend Gerardo García Palacios

Prayer of Confession

Reverend Doug Norris

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, in word and in deed. We have come short of your glory. We have broken the unity of your holy Church. We have turned aside from Jesus. O most merciful God, pardon our sins and grant us your peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer Reverend Doug Norris

Lord's Prayer Reverend Doug Norris

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 *For the Beauty of the Earth* John Rutter

Invitation to the Offering Cedric Fellows

Offertory Prayer Cedric Fellows

Accept, O Lord, these offerings your people make to you. Grant that the work to which they are given may prosper under your guidance. To your honor and glory through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Paul Manz (1919-2009)

*Doxology UMH 95

*Hymn *For the Fruits of this Creation* UMH 97 v. 1-2

1. For the fruits of this creation,
thanks be to God;
for good gifts to every nation,
thanks be to God;
for the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

2. In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done;
in our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

Scripture *Psalms 100* Lucy Tompkin
UMH p. 821 (sing Response 1, read remainder)