

Message *We Are Needed More Than Ever* Pastor Sepuloni Feleunga

HOLY COMMUNION

*Hymn *This Little Light of Mine* UMH 585

1. This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. (let it shine)

2. Everywhere I go

3. All through the night

*Benediction Pastor Sepuloni Feleunga

Postlude *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Richard Elliott (b. 1957)

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in
cherished memory of Toby Williams by Alan Cooper.

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

Interim Pastor: Douglas Norris
Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries: Gerardo Garcia Palacios
Director of Music: Mark Shaull
Organist: Diane Keller
Head Usher: Daniel Fifita



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2023

10:45 AM SERVICE



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Prelude	<i>This Little Light of Mine</i>	Calvin Taylor (b. 1948)
Welcome		Reverend Doug Norris
Life of the Community		Emily King
*Call to Worship		Emily King

We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

We are the salt of the earth.

We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

We are the light of the world.

We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

Come, let us love one another with the love of God. Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

*Hymn	<i>Rise, Shine, You People!</i>	United Methodist Hymnal 187
1. Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.		
2. See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling; he brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.		
3. Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.		
4. Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us. Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation.		

Children's Moment	Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios
First Tongan Choir Anthem	
Prayer of Confession	

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer	Reverend Doug Norris
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Lord's Prayer	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.
Invitation to the Offering	Emily King
Offertory Prayer	Emily King

God of all creation, source of every blessing: you have given us so much. As we bring our tithes and gifts to you this day, these seem so small by comparison, unless we see that we are truly called to give ourselves back to the world. May we be the salt that brings value and flavor into relationships with those around us. May we be the light that helps others find their way to your love and care. We pray all of this in the mighty name of Jesus, who came to help us see all we could be. Amen.

Offertory	<i>Steal Away</i>	arr. William Farley Smith (1941-1997)
Doxology		
Anthem	<i>O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord</i>	Eleanor Daley
*Scripture	<i>Matthew 5:13-20</i>	Debbie Krueger
Hymn	<i>Hail to the Lord's Anointed</i>	UMH 203
1. Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free; to take away transgression, and rule in equity.		
3. He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth; love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth. Before him, on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go, and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.		
2. He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong; to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in his sight.		
4. To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend; his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end. The tide of time shall never his covenant remove; his name shall stand forever; that name to us is love.		