

Offertory Prayer

Generous God, we offer our gifts with open hearts, recognizing that our generosity reflects our faith in you and your actions in the world. Help us to share according to what we have, knowing that in the body of Christ, we are bound together in a relationship, offering help and hope to one another. Amen.

Offertory

*Doxology UMH 94

*Closing Hymn UMH 671
Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

1. Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, thy love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
traveling through this wilderness.

2. Thanks we give and adoration
for thy gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of thy salvation
in our hearts and lives abound;
ever faithful, ever faithful
to the truth may we be found.

*Benediction Reverend Burke Owens

*Alleluia

Postlude Richard Elliott (b. 1957)
Improvisation on "Hymn to Joy"

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birthdays of our youngest grandchildren, James & Hazel Rose, by Janet and Bill Nicholls.

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

Senior Pastor: Burke Owens
Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries: Gerardo Garcia Palacios
Director of Music: Mark Shaull
Organist: Diane Keller
Head Usher: Daniel Fifita



FIRST PALO ALTO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

SUNDAY JUNE 30, 2024
10:45 AM SERVICE



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Prelude *All Things Bright and Beautiful* Dale Wood (1934-2003)

Welcome Reverend Burke Owens

Passing of the Peace

Life of the Community Cedric Fellows

*Call to Worship Cedric Fellows

Beloved, when hope is high, abundance surrounds us, and we bask in the goodness of God's provision, God calls to us...

Open your heart and your hands.

When disaster strikes, need overwhelms the senses, and we carry the weight and worry of a perilous present and unknown future, God calls to us...

Open your heart and your hands.

When we are moved with compassion, our hearts urging us to reach out to support our siblings in Christ, God calls to us...

Open your heart and your hands.

Children of God, as we gather for worship today, listen! God call us to open our hearts and our hands to one another in need and in abundance.

May our worship open our hearts and our hands to one another as we learn to share with one another in all seasons, for we are all one in the Body of Christ. Amen.

*Hymn *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* UMH 731

1. Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
God, whose word cannot be broken,
formed thee for his own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou mayst smile at all thy foes.

2. See, the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters,
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river
ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which like the Lord, the giver,
never fails from age to age.

3. Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near!
Thus deriving from our banner
light by night and shade by day,
safe we feed upon the manna
which God gives us when we pray.

4. Blest inhabitants of Zion,
washed in our Redeemer's blood;
Jesus, whom our souls rely on,
makes us monarchs, priests to God.
Us, by his great love, he raises,
rulers over self to reign,
and as priests his solemn praises
we for thankful offering bring.

Children's Moment Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios

Summer Choir Anthem *I Have Longed for Thy Saving Health*
William Byrd

*Scripture *Mark 5:24-34* Lucy Tompkin

Anthem *Prayer for Healing* Molly Ijames

Message *Touching God* Reverend Burke Owens

Moment of Silence

Prayers of the People Reverend Burke Owens

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord, for these gifts,
we give you thanks!

*Lord's Prayer Reverend Burke Owens

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.

*Hymn *O Christ, the Healer* UMH 265

1. O Christ, the healer, we have come
to pray for health, to plead for friends.
How can we fail to be restored
when reached by love that never ends?

2. From every ailment flesh endures
our bodies clamor to be freed;
yet in our hearts we would confess
that wholeness is our deepest need.

3. How strong, O Lord, are our desires,
how weak our knowledge of ourselves!
Release in us those healing truths
unconscious pride resists or shelves.

4. In conflicts that destroy our health
we recognize the world's disease;
our common life declares our ills.
Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

5. Grant that we all, made one in faith,
in your community may find
the wholeness that, enriching us,
shall reach the whole of humankind.

Invitation to the Offering Cedric Fellows