## Offertory Prayer

Merciful God, you open our eyes to your truth, and we bring our gifts to you with gratitude. We bring our offerings as a response to your call, a step in faith to follow you more closely. Use these gifts to spread your love and light, helping others to see your grace and mercy. Bless our giving and open our hearts to see the needs around us so that we may serve with compassion and humility. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Offertory

\*Doxology UMH 94

Stewardship Campaign Moment

Consecration of the Estimates of Giving

\*Closing Hymn Forth In Thy Name

UMH 438

- 1. Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labor to pursue; thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do.
- 2. The task thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfill; in all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.
- 3. Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine inmost substance see, and labor on at thy command, and offer all my works to thee.
- 4. For thee delightfully employ what e'er thy bounteous grace hath given; and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

\*Benediction

Reverend Burke Owens

\*Alleluia

Postlude

Toccata in D Minor

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and dedicated to the members of the church by Annette Rahn.

\*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

## Reformation Sunday

SUNDAY OCTOBER 27, 2024 10:45 AM SERVICE



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO REFORMATION SUNDAY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 2024

Prelude Les Chansons des Roses Dirait-on

Morten Lauridsen (1943)

Fiume di Musica

Introit Bless Thou the Gifts

Welcome Reverend Burke Owens

Passing of the Peace

Life of the Community Sumith Kalas

\*Call to Worship Sumith Kalas

Jesus is in our midst. Jesus, our healer, deliverer, and friend, is here. We have heard so many good things about him, but we long to meet him, to encounter him ourselves.

Call out to him, and do not be silent. Shout to him and do not allow anyone to silence your voice. Cry out and tell Jesus what you need!

Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us! We need a touch from you! Touch me; touch us in our need, which we lift right now in our hearts!

In this time of worship, celebrate God's goodness! In this time of celebration, know that Jesus touched your place of need. Hallelujah! Amen!

\*Hymn A Mighty Fortress is Our God

- 1. A mighty fortress is our God. a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe: his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate. on earth is not his equal.
- 2. Did we in our own strength confide. our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he: Lord Sabaoth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
- 3. And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us. we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him: his rage we can endure, for lo. his doom is sure: one little word shall fell him.

**UMH 110** 

4. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also: the body they may kill; God's truth abideth still: his kingdom is forever.

Children's Moment

Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios

Anthem

Walk Humbly with Your God

Joel Raney

Alan Cooper, violin Nancy Whitecar, cello (synth)

Scripture

**Galatians 1:13-24** 

Sandra Wilson

Message

Giving Our Lives

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

I Surrender All

**UMH 354** 

1. All to Jesus I surrender: all to him I freely give; I will ever love and trust him, in his presence daily live.

Refrain:

I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

2. All to Jesus I surrender: humbly at his feet I bow, worldly pleasures all forsaken;

- 3. All to Jesus I surrender: make me, Savior, wholly thine; let me feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that thou art mine. [Refrain]
- 4. All to Jesus I surrender: Lord, I give myself to thee; fill me with thy love and power; let thy blessing fall on me. [Refrain]
- 5. All to Jesus I surrender: now I feel the sacred flame. O the joy of full salvation! take me, Jesus, take me now. [Refrain] Glory, glory to his name! [Refrain]

Invitation to the Offering

Sumith Kalas