

Blessing

Anthem

Sweet Light

Chancel Choir

Sweet light from Jesus face, shining clear, shining bright,
We do not fear the coming night, keep our hearts in purest light.

Eternal day shines in your face, where we rest, safe in grace.
We rise and fall in your eternal day, touched by your gracious hand,
our life, our love, our light

Blessing

*Hymn

O Trinity, O Blessed Light

Congregation (see insert)

Invitation to the Offering

Emily King

Offertory Anthem

Chaconne

God our maker, God our keeper, God our lover, God our wisdom, God our endless joy

Doxology

Reverend Burke Owens

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Instrumental Meditation

Fiume di Musica

Closing Prayer

*Hymn

Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery

Congregation (see insert)

Benediction

Reverend Burke Owens

Recessional

Faith Be Our Light in Deepest Night

Chancel Choir

FIUME DI MUSICA

Flute:

Mimi Carlson

Oboe:

Julianne Stafford

Violin:

Alan Cooper
Florence Wong

Cello:

Alicia Wilmunder

Bass:

John Whitecar

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in gratitude to the current and past members of FUMC for their loving support all these years by Linda Grossman.

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

Palm Sunday

SUNDAY APRIL 13 2025

10:45 AM SERVICE



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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO
PALM SUNDAY
SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

Prelude	<i>All Glory, Laud, and Honor</i>	Dale Wood (1934-2003)
Palm Sunday Introit	<i>Hosanna</i> Chancel Choir	René Clausen
Welcome		Reverend Burke Owens
Passing of the Peace		
Life of the Community		Emily King
*Processional Hymn	<i>All Glory Laud and Honor</i>	UMH 280 v. 1 & 5
Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.		
1. Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One. [Refrain]		
2. The company of angels are praising thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply. [Refrain]		
3. The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present. [Refrain]		
Children's Moment		Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios
*Scripture	<i>John 13:31-35</i>	Caroline Pietrangelo Owens
Homily	<i>Love and Jesus</i>	Reverend Burke Owens
*Hymn	<i>Hosanna, Loud Hosanna</i>	UMH 278 v. 2-3
2. From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.		
3. "Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!		

LIGHT IN DEEPEST NIGHT
AARON DAVID MILLER, COMPOSER
A LENTEN MEDITATION BASED ON THE WRITINGS OF JULIAN OF NORWICH

Chancel Choir with Fiume di Musica and Organ

Prelude		
Choral Procession	<i>Faith Be Our Light In Deepest Night</i>	Chancel Choir
Faith, be our light in deepest night, Spirit of good, our endless day. Blest be your holy trinity, You are the goodness of all things.		
*Hymn	<i>Oh Love, How Deep</i>	Congregation (see insert)
Opening Prayer		
Anthem	<i>Living Prayer</i> Soloist: Diane Allen	Chancel Choir
Meditation		
Anthem	<i>Lead Us into Fullness of Joy</i>	Chancel Choir
Lead us into fullness of joy. You are our hope for endless bliss. Be our keeper By love you made us. By love you shape us. Through love preserve us. For love to intend us.		
Blessing		
Anthem	<i>Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth</i>	Chancel Choir
Mothering God, you gave me birth in the bright morning of this world. Creator, source of ev'ry breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.		
Mothering Christ, you took my form, offering me your food of light, grain of life, and grape of love, your very body for my peace.		
Mothering Spirit, nurt'ring one, in arms of patience hold me close, so that in faith I root and grow until I flow'r, until I know		
Meditation		
Anthem	<i>God Our Father, Christ Our Mother</i>	Chancel Choir