

Offertory Prayer

God of eternal presence, thank you for the gifts we are able to give through your generosity to us. Use our gifts to make your presence known to more and more people, that your household may grow and hope may be spread abroad among all of humankind; through Christ our Living Lord. Amen.

Offertory

*Doxology

UMH 94

HOLY COMMUNION

*Closing Hymn

We Are the Church

UMH 558 v. 1-4

[Refrain:]

I am the church! You are the church!
We are the church together!
All who follow Jesus, all around the world!
Yes, we're the church together!

3. Sometimes the church is marching,
sometimes it's bravely burning,
sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding,
always it's learning. [Refrain]

1. The church is not a building,
the church is not a steeple,
the church is not a resting place,
the church is a people. [Refrain]

4. And when the people gather,
there's singing and there's praying,
there's laughing and there's crying
sometimes, all of it saying: [Refrain]

2. We're many kinds of people,
with many kinds of faces,
all colors and all ages, too,
from all times and places. [Refrain]

*Benediction

Reverend Norman Obenshain

*Alleluia

UMH 78

Postlude *Toccata from Symphony No. 5* Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

The postlude is in honor of Bill Nicholls' birthday, in gratitude
for all he does for the organ of FUMCPA.

*Please stand where indicated by an asterisk.

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Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries: Gerardo Garcia Palacios
Director of Music: Mark Shaul
Organist: Diane Keller
Head Usher: Daniel Fifita



FIRST PALO ALTO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

SUNDAY JULY 6 2025
10:45 AM SERVICE



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PALO ALTO
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025

Prelude *Invocation in B-flat Major* Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Welcome Reverend Norman Obenshain

Passing the Peace Reverend Norman Obenshain

Life of the Community Emily King

*Call to Worship Emily King

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The God of hope is with us -- a very present help in all ages.

Praise the Lord!

*Hymn *All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded* UMH 132

1. All my hope is firmly grounded
in the great and living Lord;
who, whenever I most need him,
never fails to keep his word.
God I must wholly trust,
God the ever good and just.

2. Tell me, who can trust our nature,
human, weak, and insecure?
Which of all the airy castles
can the hurricane endure?
Built on sand, naught can stand
by our earthly wisdom planned.

3. But in every time and season,
out of love's abundant store,
God sustains the whole creation,
fount of life forevermore.
We who share earth and air
count on God's unfailing care.

4. Thank, O thank, our great Creator,
thru God's only Son this day;
God alone, the heavenly potter,
made us out of earth and clay.
Quick to heed, strong in deed,
God shall all the people feed.

Children's Moment Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios

Scripture *Ezekiel 10:9-19, 11:23-25* Sandra Florstedt

Anthem *If Thou But Suffer God To Guide Thee* Newmarket

Message *Hope in the Face of Chaos* Reverend Norman Obenshain

Moment of Silence

Prayers of the People Reverend Norman Obenshain

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord, for these gifts,
we give you thanks!

*Lord's Prayer Reverend Norman Obenshain

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 *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me* UMH 509

1. Jesus, Savior, pilot me
over life's tempestuous sea;
unknown waves before me roll,
hiding rock and treacherous shoal.
Chart and compass came from thee;
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

2. As a mother stills her child,
thou canst hush the ocean wild;
boisterous waves obey thy will,
when thou sayest to them, "Be still!"
Wondrous sovereign of the sea,
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

3. When at last I near the shore,
and the fearful breakers roar
'twixt me and the peaceful rest,
then, while leaning on thy breast,
may I hear thee say to me,
"Fear not, I will pilot thee."

Invitation to the Offering Emily King