

*Doxology UMH 94

*Closing Hymn *Take My Life, and Let It Be* UMH 399

1. Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

3. Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

2. Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

*Benediction Reverend Burke Owens

*Alleluia UMH 78

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

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Richard,
on what would have been the anniversary of our joy-filled
wedding 40 years ago, by Linda Grossman.

Cover image: Marjorie Owens and son Burke, Jersey Shore, June 1958

*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 Shaull
Organist: Diane Keller
Head Usher: Daniel Fifita



FIRST PALO ALTO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mother's Day



SUNDAY MAY 10, 2026
10:45 AM SERVICE

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MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY MAY 10, 2026

Prelude *The Peace May Be Exchanged* Dan Locklair (b. 1949)

Welcome Reverend Burke Owens

Passing the Peace

Life of the Community Pamela Cutkosky

*Call to Worship Pamela Cutkosky

Easter people, no matter the bends and curves in our path, Jesus does not leave us alone on this journey of faith.

God gives us the Spirit, our Advocate and Helper.

The Spirit lives in and among us, pointing us all toward the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus.

God gives us the Spirit, our Guide and Guardian.

Easter people, God's story abides in you, calling you to live as co-creators of love and abundant life.

We come to worship God and listen for the Spirit who inspires, guides, and helps us join in God's story, until God's kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

*Hymn *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* UMH 715

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

2. Jesus the Savior reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

3. His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of earth and hell
are to our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

4. Rejoice in glorious hope!
Jesus the Judge shall come,
and take his servants up
to their eternal home.
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice;
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

Children's Moment Reverend Gerardo Garcia Palacios

Anthem *For the Beauty of the Earth* John Rutter

*Scripture *John 14:15-21* Azi Mokhlessi

Message *Thanks to Mom* 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

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 *Surely the Presence of the Lord* UMH 328

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings,
I see glory on each face;
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Invitation to the Offering Pamela Cutkosky

Offertory Prayer

Abiding Spirit of Love, you have not left us orphaned. As Jesus offered himself in love and obedience, so we offer these gifts today—not out of obligation, but as signs of our love and trust. Take them, bless them, use them—to remind the world that Christ's story abides in us. May your Spirit strengthen us to live what we give and give what we believe. In the name of the one who promised never to leave us. Amen.

Offertory *Meditation I* Marianne Kim (b. 1972)