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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PALO ALTO**

Hybrid Service

Order of Worship

November 12, 2023

Transitional Pastor: Rev. Jane Esterline
Organist: Dr. Andrew Chislett, Director of Music
Cantor: Elliot Franks
Liturgist: Chuck Hebel

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Call to Worship
What does this worship service need?
Quiet where faith can grow, song that blossoms hope, scripture that remembers love, honest words to untangle a small length of knotty existence, gifts offering service of the heart.
Who shall come to this worship service?
All who have prayer in their lives and all who are lonely for the touch of God.

Opening Prayer
Vida Kenk

*Hymn #409 God Is Here, vs 1 & 2

Call and Prayer of Confession
Christ Jesus, our teacher and friend, we have not listened for your word amid the clamor of words all around us. We are more pleased to repeat familiar tunes than to listen for new melodies and strange harmonies. We try harder to defend what we think we know than to reach for what is beyond our grasp. We pray for ears to hear the cries of our neighbors and for hearts which resonate with your Spirit. Silence anxiety and cause us to learn afresh to sing the songs of faith, hope, and love. Amen.

Assurance
Beloved, know that every movement toward God is received with gladness and the full and welcoming embrace of the Holy One.
Thanks be to God!

Passing the Peace


Sermon: Yeast & Firewood

*Hymn #292 As the Wind Song, vs 1 & 2

Offertory/Special Music

Prayers of the People and Prayer of Jesus
● Our Creator in heaven, holy be your name. Your kindom come your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
● Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
● Save us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kindom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Communion

*Hymn #546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing, vs 1-3

*Benediction

Postlude