

May 10, 2020 Fifth Sunday of Easter 9:45 AM

PRELUDE *I Worship You O Mighty God* John Douglas
By Sondra Corbett-Wood
Welcome by Pastor Mike Holland

CALL TO WORSHIP Susan & Bill Richardson

One: In spring's repeat performance of birth and new life,
we pause to regard Mothers Day.

**Many: From water and womb, in the evolution of life,
we came into the world inhaling our first breath**

One: We are children of the cosmos, stardust through
and through, yet we celebrate a feminine life-force
that runs pervasively through all things.

**Many: Whether with us or departed, whether close or
estranged, we pause to remember our mothers
and honor all women with equality and justice.**

One: We remember their gifts to us, the pain they
endure, the sustenance they give. We respect their
sacrifices, struggles, accomplishments and love.

**Many: Moms, mama, mommy, madre, mumsy, mother,
we bless the special women of our families.**

One: Let us pray in the living Spirit of Sophia Christ:

OPENING PRAYER led by Miguel Magaña, Elder

**With mystics and saints of history, we give thanks,
Creator Goddess, that You evolved humanity so that
our species could reproduce, nurture and love. May
we who conceive children support them and their
mothers and caregivers in every way possible, and
hope that they will love us in return. Empower us all.
Amen**

OPENING SONG *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT with Robbie Arevalos

Know our children, you are blessed, God's light to be.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
May the Spirit's power fill you,
May our tender comfort still you.
Know our children, you are blessed, God's light to be.

COMMUNION SONG *One Piece of Bread*

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION led by Pastor Mike
(have bread/cracker and juice ready to participate online)
Prayer of Thanksgiving

***O God, our mother, Spirit of All Life,
You meet us at this table and move among this bread and cup;
make us mindful of our oneness with You
and with all creation, Amen.***

SPECIAL MUSIC *Claire de lune* John Douglas
By Debussy

(Special request from Stephanie Brown dedicated to all
mothers, past, present & future)

MORNING PRAYERS with Pastor Kel Henderson

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (Unison), translation by Parker Palmer
**Heavenly Father, Heavenly Mother, Holy and
blessed is Your name. We pray for Your reign of
peace to come, we pray that Your good will be done,
let heaven and earth become one. Give us this day
the bread we need, give bread to those who have
none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us,
lead us beyond the evil of these days – for Yours is
the power and the glory and the mercy: forever Your
name All in One. Amen.**

Quiet Meditation *Blest Be The Tie That Binds Us Together*
By Bob Gilman John Douglas

MESSAGE *Celebrating Mother's Day* Pastor Mike Holland
with Apologies to Women

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Pamela Galera, Elder
(*Online giving is an option through churchofthefoothills.org*)
(*Or, mail in pledges and gifts to the church office.*
Or, drop them in the mail slot at the church office. Thank You!)

BENEDICTION

Pastor Kel Henderson

CONGREGATIONAL/CHORAL RESPONSE

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel God's mighty power and God's 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.

(Repeat)

POSTLUDE

Knowing You

John Douglas

By Graham Kendrick