



# Pacific Beach

## United Methodist Church

ONLINE WORSHIP  
APRIL 4, 2021  
EASTER SUNDAY

### WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Introductions and Invitations

Welcome & Welcoming Music

Call to Worship

One: This day is like every other day.

**All: Alarm clocks beeped. Covers were removed.**

**Coffee was brewed. Weary bodies came to life.**

One: And yet this day, is like no other day—

**All: For the sun rose, and we knew it was a miracle.**

**The tomb was empty, and they knew it was love.**

One: So again and again we say—

**All: The longest night is over.**

**Death has lost its sting.**

**Jesus is among us.**

**Alleluia! Amen.**

One: Again and again and again—

**All: Alleluia! Amen.**

Hymn #302

“Christ The Lord Is Risen Today” (v. 1, 2, 4)

Opening Prayer

God of hope, in the midst of death, you call forth life. When all hope seemed gone, you raised Jesus from the grave. We come before you today, longing for your life-giving presence. God of new life, raise us up with all your people. Lift us from the tombs of our despair and doubt, that we may rejoice in your power over death. God of joy, fill our hearts with alleluias as we sing your praises. Glory to God. Amen!

Sharing the Peace of Christ (*greet fellow worshipers in the live chat as we sing song #2034 “Blessed Be The Name of the Lord”*)

### WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children in Ministry

Erich Grimm-Schmitt

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Message: “The Empty Tomb”

Lori Leopold

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer (*we pray for God's guidance as we sing #389 "Freely, Freely" v. 1 & 2*)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offering of Gifts (*followed by*)

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication (*we read and pray aloud together*)

**Living God, you give us the greatest gift of all, the gift of new life. Grateful for this gift, we bring our offerings, the work of our hands. Use our gifts to share your word of hope, your promise of forgiveness, and your blessings with all creation. Grateful for your love, we offer ourselves, that we might walk with our neighbors into your garden of love. Amen.**

Communion

Hymn #158

"Come Christians Join to Sing"

Benediction

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

**All are invited to share in virtual coffee time online  
via Zoom (*may require app download*).**