



Pacific Beach

United Methodist Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP

DECEMBER 12, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude

Greeting

Introit

“That’s the Good News”
Arr. by David Clydesdale

Pastoral Welcome & Announcements

Music Meditation

Call to Worship

Christina Boyd

One: A voice calls out in the wilderness.

All: It sings of a home for all. It speaks of justice and peace.

One: We could choose to ignore it.

All: We could drown out that song. We could choose not to listen.

One: Instead, we come into this space.

All: We let the world grow quiet. We listen.

One: A voice calls out in the wilderness. Do you hear it?

All: We hear it. In listening, we worship.

One: Let us draw near to God.

*Hymn #246

“Joy to the World” (v. 1, 2, 4)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King;

let every heart prepare him room,

and heaven and nature sing,

and heaven and nature sing,

and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns!

Let all their songs employ;

while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains

repeat the sounding joy,

repeat the sounding joy,

repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,

and makes the nations prove

the glories of his righteousness,

and wonders of his love,

and wonders of his love,

and wonders, wonders of his love.

Call to Confession

Christina Boyd

Prayer of Confession

Expansive God, We know that the church is your house, and your house has room for everyone. Yet, too often, instead of setting the table for our neighbors, we block the door.

Instead of welcoming all, we judge others by our own standards. Instead of sharing our second coat, we hide it in the attic, holding on to fear instead of letting go with love. Remind us that your home is a home for all, that truth requires hard work, that truth requires uncomfortable justice. Help us to be bold enough to see it and brave enough to live it. With hope we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Pastor Lori Leopold

Family of faith, God sent prophets like John the Baptist to us because this work is not easy. Helping create a world where all might have a home, and all might be loved, and all might know peace, is an audacious goal. Fortunately for us, when we mess up—when we lose our way or forget our call—we are met with grace. God could not love us any more or any less than God already does. So rest in this good news:

All: We are at home with God—forgiven, claimed, and loved. The door is always open for us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Candle: JOY

*Sharing the Peace of Christ (*safely pass the peace as we sing song #251 "Go Tell it on the Mountain" v. 1 & 3*)

Refrain:

**Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.**

**While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold throughout the heavens
there shown a holy light.**

Refrain:

**Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born!**

**Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn.**

Refrain:

**Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born!**

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children in Ministry
Music to Lift Our Spirits

Pastor Lori Leopold
"What Child is This?"
Composed by Jay Rouse

Scripture: Luke 3:1-18
Message: "A Home for All"

Christina Boyd
Pastor Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer (*we pray for God's guidance as we sing #2205 "The Fragrance of Christ"*)

Refrain:

**Lord, may our prayer rise
like incense in your sight
May this place be filled
with the fragrance of Christ.**

**I will thank you, Lord, with all of my heart,
You have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the Lord I will bless you,
I will adore before your holy temple.**

Refrain:

**Lord, may our prayer rise
like incense in your sight
May this place be filled
with the fragrance of Christ.**

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #2235-A

"We Are Singing"

**We are singing for the Lord is our light,
We are singing for the Lord is our light
We are singing for the Lord is,
for the Lord is our light.
We are singing, singing,
we are singing, singing,
we are singing for the Lord is our light!**

*Benediction

*Eagle's Wings

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.



Thank you for worshipping with PBUMC today! You make this gathering richer, brighter, and better by your presence and participation. **All** are welcome at PBUMC!

We worship every Sunday at 10:00am. The service is livestreamed each week and you can join us online at pbumc.org/live.

Sunday School: Children will meet in the Sunday School room at the start of service. This will simply be a time for them to gather and enjoy the company of one another in a safe environment as all are required to wear masks. They will then come out to regular service for Children's Moments and head back shortly afterward to the Sunday School room for a Sunday School lesson. Also, we are currently praying for Sunday School teachers. The goal is that once we have enough Sunday School teachers for our children, we'll be able to open the nursery back up for our little ones. If you or someone you know would possibly be interested in being a Sunday School teacher, please contact Jesse Hodge at youth@pbumc.org

For more information about PBUMC, please go to pbumc.org.

To support the ministries of PBUMC in this community and beyond, please go to pbumc.org/give.

For pastoral support or spiritual conversation, please contact Pastor Lori at the church office or via the website.

Our Little Library is in need of a regular supply of books for children, youth and adults. If you're finishing a book and would be willing to pass it along for someone else to enjoy, please drop it off in the Little Library right outside the sanctuary doors in the courtyard! And if you're looking for something to read, make sure to stop by and see if there's something that strikes your fancy!

This week:

SUNDAY, Dec 12

6:00 PM, Christmas Caroling in PB

MONDAY, Dec 13

6:00 PM, Al-Anon

6:30 PM, Lenses of Advent Small Group on Zoom

TUESDAY, Dec 14

6:00 PM, Choir Rehearsal

6:30 PM, Church Council Meeting on Zoom

WEDNESDAY, Dec 15

11:30 AM, Scripture and Sermon Study

4:00 PM, SD Project Grace

THURSDAY, Dec 16

1:00 PM, Coffee with the Pastor

FRIDAY, Dec 17

SATURDAY, Dec 18

SUNDAY, Dec 19

10:00 AM, Worship