



Pacific Beach

United Methodist Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP

DECEMBER 19, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude

Greeting

Introit

Pastoral Welcome & Announcements

Music Meditation

Call to Worship

Julie Cox

One: We are seeking—

All: deeper faith, a place to belong, the feeling that God is here in this room.

One: We are seeking—

All: joy that overflows, the movement of the Spirit, a hand to hold, when alone in the dark.

One: We are seeking—

All: the freedom to be, the courage to love, the conviction to act in the face of injustice.

One: We are seeking, but here in this space,

All: We are found.

One: Take a deep breath. This is your sanctuary.

All: God is here. We are found. Amen.

*Hymn #711

“For All the Saints” (v. 1, 4, 6)

**For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!

**We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Call to Confession

Julie Cox

Prayer of Confession

**God of safe spaces, we wish we were more like Mary, who in the face of great change,
went and sought help. She did not wait for help to find her; she walked to the shelter**

she needed. Too often we wait silently for the world to change around us instead of speaking up for the things we need. Forgive us for failing to care for ourselves the way you would care for us. Give us the courage to be more like Mary. God of safe places, we wish we were more like Elizabeth, who greeted Mary with laughter and contagious joy. How many people have crossed our doorstep and how many times have we failed to see them? Give us the courage of Mary, and the grace of Elizabeth. Gratefully we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Family of faith, even if we miss the person standing on our doorstep, even if we fail to care for ourselves the way God would care for us, even if we forget and ignore, turn away and shut down, God still loves us. There is nothing we can do to lose God's love.

All: Rest in this promise:

One: If we get lost,

All: we will be found.

One: If we mess up,

All: we are forgiven.

One: If we withhold love,

All: God is lavish in loving us.

One: We are claimed. We are loved. We are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Candle: LOVE

*Sharing the Peace of Christ (*safely pass the peace as we sing song #2034 "Blessed Be the Name of the Lord"*)

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be the name of the Lord most high.

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be the name of the Lord most high.

Refrain:

The name of the Lord is a strong tower,

The righteous run into it and they are saved.

The name of the Lord most high.

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children in Ministry
Music to Lift Our Spirits

Pastor Lori Leopold
"I'm Going to Wear a Crown"
Arr. by Jay Rouse

Scripture: Luke 1:39-55
Message: "Safe Havens"

Julie Cox
Pastor Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer (*we pray for God's guidance as we sing #2275 "Lift Us Up, Love Us Lord (Kyrie)"*)

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn #702

"Sing With All the Saints in Glory" (v. 1, 3, 4)

**Sing with all the saints in glory,
Sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,
To the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking,
Soon the storms of time shall cease;
In God's likeness we, awaking,
Know the everlasting peace.**

**Life eternal! Heaven rejoices:
Jesus lives, who once was dead.
Join we now the deathless voices;
Child of God, lift up your head!
Patriarchs from the distant ages,
Saints all longing for their heaven,
Prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages,
All await the glory given.**

**Life eternal! O what wonders
Crowd on faith; what joy unknown,
When, amidst earth's closing thunders,
Saints shall stand before the throne!
O to enter that bright portal,
See that glowing firmament;
Know, with thee, O God Immortal,
"Jesus Christ whom thou has sent!"**

*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.

Childcare will be available during the worship hour. No nursery care is available at this time.

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.

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This week:

SUNDAY, Dec 12

All Saints Sunday

10:00 AM, Worship

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

WEDNESDAY, Dec 15

11:30 AM, Scripture and Sermon Study

4:00 PM, SD Project Grace

THURSDAY, Dec 16

FRIDAY, Dec 17

SATURDAY, Dec 18

SUNDAY, Dec 19

10:00 AM, Worship