



Pacific Beach

United Methodist Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 10:00 AM

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Introit

Video Announcements

Call to Worship

Craig Roberts

One: Come!

All: Come and worship,

One: You who woke early and you who slept late;

All: You who come often, and you who don't.

One: Whether we are first or last or somewhere in between,

All: There is room for all of us in God's kingdom,

One: And more than enough grace to go around.

All: Let's worship God together!

*Opening Hymn #581

"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" Vs. 1-3

Lord, whose love through humble service bore the weight of human need,

Who up on the cross, forsaken, offered mercy's perfect deed:

We, your servants, bring the worship not of a voice alone, but heart,

Consecrating to your purpose every gift that you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;

Still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.

As, O Lord, your deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,

Use the love your Spirit kindles still to save and make us whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light

In its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight,

Making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,

Stirring us to tireless striving your abundant life to share.

*Opening Prayer

Craig Roberts

In the times when we give – however generously - it becomes blatantly clear, O God,

How ridiculous our attempts are to balance the scales;

We cannot repay Your abundance of supply

Your extravagance of grace;

Nor do You require it.

So, why should we expect it of others?

In truth, we cannot.

**Please stand as you are able*

Credit for liturgical elements: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com>; <https://sacredise.com/balancing-the-scales/>; © Jeff Shrowder 1999.

Like You we can only love – by giving, by serving, by praying.

And so we ask...

Free the score-keepers in our world and in our hearts
Restore the fallen in our world and in our hearts
Strengthen the merciful in our world and in our hearts
Heal the broken in our world and in our hearts
Uplift the lowly in our world and in our hearts
Bring down the tyrants in our world and in our hearts
Erase the lines of division in our world and in our hearts
Create a Christ-guided humanity in our world and in our hearts
And use us to make it so. In Jesus's Name. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ #2029

“Praise to the Lord”

**Praise to the Lord, all of you, God's servants.
Blessed be the name of our God now and ever.
From the rising up of the sun
May the Lord be praised.
Praise to the name of the Lord!**

**There is none like our God in the heavens or on earth,
Who lifts the poor from the dust,
Seating them with the mighty,
Who stoops to raise the weak and low:
May the Lord be praised.
Praise to the name of the Lord!**

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time

Patty Riddle

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16

Craig Roberts

Message: Seeing God's Vineyard

Rev. Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer #472

“Near to the Heart of God” Vs. 1, 2

**There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God;
A place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.**

Refrain:

**O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,
Hold us who wait before thee near to the heart of God.**

**There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God.
A place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.**

Refrain

Pastoral Prayer

**Please stand as you are able*

Credit for liturgical elements: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com>; <https://sacredise.com/balancing-the-scales/>; © Jeff Shrowder 1999.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Gladly we praise you and bless you, Creator, O God of life.

Christ, we adore you and thank you, Compassion of God, our light.

Great Holy Spirit, by you we are born from above.

Alleluia! Praise the God of blessing!

Alleluia! Bless the God of love!

*Prayer of Dedication

Craig Roberts

Source of life, receive the gifts we offer; and let all our service, inspired by the Breath of Life give you glory and praise. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #396

*"O Jesus, I Have Promised" Vs. 2-4
Sung to the tune of "Go Make of All Disciples"*

**O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
But Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.**

**O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
Above the storm of passion, the murmurs of self will.
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.**

**O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.**

*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.**

**Please stand as you are able*

Credit for liturgical elements: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com>; <https://sacredise.com/balancing-the-scales/>; © Jeff Shrowder 1999.



Our altar flowers are a gift of love. Please contact the church office if interested in donating an arrangement anytime of year.

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

PB UMC offers a three week “Belonging Class” for those who are interested in church membership and for others for who seek deeper involvement in the life of the church.

Class 1: What’s a United Methodist?

Class 2: Connected and Involved

Last Class this week: Class 3: Next Steps to Church Membership

Our next Belonging Class will be held today, September 24th following church with a light lunch provided. If you are interested in attending or have other questions related to church membership, please contact Pastor Lori.

For pastoral support or spiritual conversation, please contact Pastor Lori at the church office or via the [website](#). Want to know what’s happening at PB UMC? Sign up for our weekly emails! We have several different categories you can sign up for: there’s the weekly news with a rundown of that week’s sermon and events happening soon, a weekly email with prayer requests, a monthly email with a link to our Beach Breeze newsletter, as well as youth/Sunday school emails and memorial notifications. Whether you’d like to sign up for one or sign up for all, visit <https://pbumc.flocknote.com/>! To financially support the ministries of PBUMC in this community and beyond, please go to pbumc.org/give or scan the QR code.



PB UMC Staff

Lead Pastor: Rev. Lori Leopold

Music Director & Organist: Ron Jessee

Director of Education: Jesse Hodge

Office Administrator: Susie Virgilio

Church office: 858-274-6573

www.pbumc.org/who-we-are/contact/



**Please stand as you are able*

Credit for liturgical elements: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com>; <https://sacredise.com/balancing-the-scales/>; © Jeff Shrowder 1999.