



Pacific Beach

United Methodist Church

LAITY SUNDAY

OCTOBER 15, 2023 10:00 AM

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude
Greeting
Introit
Video Announcements
Welcome

Call to Worship

Lucia Leon

One: Through prayer and practice, we pursue what is just, what is true, what is kind.

All: With each new day, we hope for Love to lead us.

One: With discernment, we wade bravely into the struggles of life together.

All: We yearn for wisdom that satisfies.

One: Persistently, faithfully, relentlessly, we keep our gaze set upon righteousness.

All: Determined in hope, may the Holy be our firm foundation.

*Opening Hymn

"We Are Bound in Love Together" *Sung to #530 tune*

**We are bound in love together, in your mercy we find peace,
As we strive to serve each other, we're committed to the least.**

Refrain:

**Lord we are able, to answer your call. Lead us in wisdom, forth one and all.
Knowing your peace Lord, our hearts, hands and minds;
will open our doors to all of person-kind.**

God is wise and understanding. Let us strive to do great things.

Wisdom comes from our creator, in our hearts your guidance rings.

Refrain

*Opening Prayer

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O God of our Hearts

You yearn to be so close to us that we can know you in every breath,
in every hope, in every relationship.

Meet us here today and teach us to recognize the covenant of justice, peace and love you have
written on our hearts.

So may our desires become your desires, our work become your work, and our community the
place where you are sought and found. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Stewardship Moment:

Ron Jessee/Louis Perez

**Please stand as you are able*

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A. Blain; <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/after-pentecost-20a-october-15/>*

*Sharing the Peace of Christ #3096

"Gentle Shepherd" *Sing twice*

**Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us, for we need your strength from day to day.
There's no other we can turn to who can help us face another day;
Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.**

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time

Diane Nelson

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11a

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Message: God Behind It All

David DeBus, Drew Damme, Ken Brown

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer #357

"Just As I Am" Vs. 1 & 5

**Just as I am, without one plea,
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

Pastoral Prayer

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.**

Reception of New Members

Jim Armstrong, Denny Hamm, Stephanie Johnson, Marina Marsh, Diane Pignato

Congregational Response: Commendation and Welcome

page 38 in our hymnal

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

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***Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Allelulia! Allelulia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Allelulia! Allelulia! Allelulia!**

***Prayer of Dedication**

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Take our offerings and tithes, O God, bless them that they may be used to share your love and blessing in our community and the world. May these offerings provide for the least of these needs and the proclamation of your word to those seeking hope. Amen!

***Closing Hymn #438**

"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord" Vs. 1-3

**Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labor to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do.**

**The task thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfill;
In all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.**

**Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine in-most substance see,
And labor on at thy command, and offer all my works to thee.**

***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.**

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Altar flowers are a gift of love. If you would like to honor or remember someone with an arrangement, please contact the church office.

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