



# Pacific Beach

United Methodist Church

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

OCTOBER 22, 2023 10:00 AM

## WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude  
Greeting  
Introit  
Video Announcements  
Welcome

Call to Worship

Susie Virgilio

One: God has been our dwelling place in all generations.

**All: Before the mountains were brought forth,**

One: Before the earth and sky were formed,

**All: God was from everlasting to everlasting.**

One: We come to worship this day,

**All: That God may gather us in.**

One: We will be close to God's heart,

**All: And we will dwell in God's grace.**

One: We will love God fully,

**All: And we will love one another well.**

\*Opening Hymn #576

"Rise Up, O Church of God" Vs. 1, 3, & 4

**Rise up, O Church of God!**

**Have done with lesser things.**

**Give heart and mind and soul and strength**

**We lift our voice to sing.**

**Rise up, O Church of God!**

**The church for you doth wait,**

**Her strength unequal to her task;**

**Rise up, and make her great!**

**Lift high the cross of Christ!**

**Tread where his feet have trod.**

**As siblings of the Son of God,**

**Rise up, O Church of God!**

\*Opening Prayer

Susie Virgilio

God of Life, your memory is longer than time; your love longer still. Your giving nature amazes us. You have given us yourself. You have given us your work. You only ask for love in return, for you and for the world. You put your ministry into our hands, trusting us to be your hands. Bless the work of our hands and the ministries of our hearts, O God, as we seek to do your will. Amen.

*\*Please stand as you are able*

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\*Sharing the Peace of Christ #2031

“We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”

**We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.  
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.  
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving;  
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.**

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## **WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

Children’s Time

Louis Perez

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture: Matthew 22:34-46

Susie Virgilio

Message: Learning and Living

Rev. Lori Leopold

*As we join together in song, all are invited to come forward with their giving card to place in our community offering.*

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LOVE**

Song of Prayer #2176

*Sing Twice*

“Make Me a Servant”

**Make me a servant, humble and meek,  
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.  
And may the prayer of my heart always be:  
Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.**

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

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Offertory

\*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

Susie Virgilio

**Gracious God, you have given us mercy. You have given us love. You have been our calling, and you have been our home. Take now our hands and feet, O God, and use them for your purposes. Take now the offering of our hearts, minds, and souls. Transform them into your love, your mercy, and your everlasting grace for all the world. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn #374

“Standing on the Promises” Vs. 1 & 4

**Standing on the promises of Christ my friend,  
Through eternal ages let his praises send;  
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,  
Standing on the promises of God.**

***Refrain:***

**Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;  
Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.**

**Standing on the promises I cannot fall,  
Listening every moment to the Spirit's call,  
Resting in my Savior as my all in all,  
Standing on the promises of God.**

***Refrain***

\*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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**Please consider a donation for the altar flowers. They are a gift of love to honor or remember a cherished one. If interested, please contact the church office.**

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.

Our next Belonging Class session will be held on Sundays, January 28<sup>th</sup>, February 4<sup>th</sup>, and February 11<sup>th</sup> 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](http://pbumc.org/give) or scan the QR code.



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