



Pacific Beach
United Methodist Church



MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP
MARCH 28, 2024 6:30 PM

Gathering Music
Welcome

Call to Worship

One: Where do we go when we feel tired and weary?

All: From God's abundance, we find streams of mercy.

One: What do we do when days are more "trials and tribulations" than "milk and honey"?

All: From God's abundance, we find streams of mercy.

One: Where do we turn when life's journey has left us dusty, dry, and fatigued?

All: From God's abundance, we find streams of mercy.

One: On the eve of Good Friday, let us dip our toes into God's streams of mercy.

*Opening Hymn #297

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" Vs 1-3

**Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.**

**Upon that cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me;
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess:
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.**

**I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of Mercy and Justice: We confess that, like Peter, we can take your lessons out of context. Like Peter, we may resist and avoid the practice needed for our growth. Like Peter, we may fabricate a grand gesture and still miss the point. Like Simon Iscariot, we may lurk on the sidelines, indecisive and hesitant to follow wholeheartedly. Forgive us for our tepid passivity. Forgive us for averting our gaze from your holy call to justice. Forgive us for our undue and unreasonable signaling that fails to build your Church, that focuses on optics and misses the mark. Help us to be like the Disciple Jesus Loved, to lean on God

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and trust in God's grace. Help us to be like Peter, to adjust our path when we find ourselves wandering. Help us to be like Christ, to be quicker to serve and slower to stand idly by. Help us to be like Jesus, to follow his example of love and compassion. With faith and resolve we pray, Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Serving God, as we enter these holy seasons and sacred spaces, we find ourselves comfortable in customary rhythms. In a world unsettled by discontent and plague and war, we grow numb to your subversive goals. We become unaware of the deep streams of mercy flowing beneath our surface appreciation of religious practice. Help us to hear these words anew. May they stir within us the embers of justice and action, that we may be for the world your hands and feet. Poke us, we pray. Amen.

Scripture:

John 13:1-20

Message:

Streams of Mercy

Adam Marshall

Footwashing: Responding to the Word

For those who would like to participate, please come forward when invited. If you are comfortable removing your shoes and socks prior to coming forward, please do so. If mobility is a concern, please notify an usher and we will bring a foot washing station to you.

For those who feel unable to participate physically but would like to participate spiritually, you are invited to pray the following:

A LITANY FOR FOOTWASHING

God of Serving and Love,

Tonight as we remember that last night with the disciples,
when Jesus did the unfathomable,
we sit in our discomfort and ache.

As we walk alongside the burdened, move us to aid.
As we weep with the grieving, move us to support.
As we sense the deep hurts of the world, move us to help.
As we feel harm caused by others, move us to forgive.
As we work with the weary, move us to care.
As we spot deep injustice, move us to respond.
As we rise and we rest, move us to love.

May we accept help from others.
May we sustain others who need help.

May we be faster to kneel down and get messy
And slower to sit back and abstain.

May our discomfort motivate us,
And by your Spirit, make it so.

Amen.

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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.

*Closing Hymn #549

"Where Charity and Love Prevail" Vs 1, 3, 5-6

**Where charity and love prevail,
There God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love,
By love are we thus bound.**

**Forgive we now each other's faults
As we our faults confess;
And let us love each other well
In Christian holiness.**

**Let us recall that in our midst
Dwells God's begotten Son;
As members of Christ's body joined,
We are in him made one.**

**Love can exclude no race or creed
If honored be God's name;
Our common life embraces all
Whose Maker is the same.**

*Benediction

Beloved wanderer, as you leave this place, may you carry your curious heart on your sleeve. May you look for God in every face. May you find the courage to get out of the boat, to run to the tomb, and to speak of your faith. And when the world falls apart, may you hear God's voice deep within, saying, "Take heart, it is I, be not afraid." You are called. You are blessed. In both your ups and your downs, you always belong to God. Go now in peace. Go trusting that good news. Amen.

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

Please join us tomorrow for Good Friday Stations of Peter, Noon-3:00 pm at Pacific Beach UMC
This is a self-guided time of prayer and reflection. Drop in and spend as little or as much time as you'd like to walk the "way of sorrows" to the cross, through the eyes and experiences of Peter.

A Good Friday service will be held at 6:30 pm at La Jolla UMC.

Easter Sunday

10:00 am Easter service here at Pacific Beach UMC
Following the service, our Annual Easter Egg Hunt

8:30 am and 10:00 am at La Jolla UMC

Participating in this evening's service

Adam Marshall, preacher and service creator
Rev. Lori Leopold, Rev. Bob Rhodes, Rev. Tara Limbaugh
Music: Ron Jessee, Louis Perez, Laura Williams
Technical support: Bruce Trumbo, Tom Bengé
Usher: Ken Brown

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.

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