



**Pacific Beach**  
United Methodist Church  
*LEARNING AND LIVING GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL*  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT; HOLY COMMUNION**  
**MARCH 1, 2026, 10:00 AM**

**WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD**

Greeting  
Introit  
Welcome

Call to Worship

Adam Marshall

One: Tell me something good!

**All: God loves you more than you could imagine.**

One: Tell me something good!

**All: God loves all of creation more than you could imagine.**

One: Tell me something good!

**All: God's love meets us in this service of worship. We are not alone.**

One: This is good news indeed!

**All: Let us worship our compassionate God.**

\*Opening Hymn #145

"Morning Has Broken"

**Morning has broken like the first morning;  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.**

**Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
Born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, did we see you hungry and give you something to eat? Did we see you thirsty and give you something to drink? Did we see you alone and offer you compassion? Or did we cross the street? Did we avert our eyes? Did we come up with every excuse in the book? God, we long to be people who love our neighbors with the same overwhelming**

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love that you have for them. But we must admit, we have a long way to go. Forgive us for the times when we let bias, scarcity, or fear get in the way of love. Wash us clean and give us the courage to try again. With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Leader: Faith family, even when we act with judgment, even when we are guided by fear, even when we turn our back on a neighbor in need, God does not turn God's back on us. So join me in this good-news declaration:

**People: We are seen. We are forgiven. We are invited to try again. Thanks be to God for this unending love.**

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ #2034     *Sing Twice*     "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.  
The name of the Lord is a strong tower, the righteous run into it and they are saved.  
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**WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

Children's Time

Dale Blackford

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture:

Luke 7:36-50 and Matthew 25:35-40

Message:

The Good News Is...Great Love for God and Neighbor

Rev. Lori Leopold

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE**

Song of Prayer

"Come, O Redeemer, Come"

Solos

**Choir and Congregation:**

**Look now upon our need, Lord, be with us.**

**Heal us and make us free from our sin.**

***Refrain: Sing Twice***

**Come, O Redeemer, come, grant us mercy.**

**Come, O Redeemer, come, grant us peace.**

Prayers of the People

Ken Brown

Invitation to the Offering/Offertory

\*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Maker, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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\*Prayer of Dedication

**God of abundance, we offer these gifts, along with our praise and thanksgiving. You generously pour out your love and the gifts of this good earth to us, each and every day. Bless the gifts we return to you now, that they may bring abundant love and sustenance to many in need of your blessing. With grateful hearts, we pray. Amen.**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (*liturgy can be found on page 13-14 of the red hymnal; responses will be on the screen in front*)

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 #364

"Because He Lives" Vs 1, Refrain Twice

**God sent his Son, they called him Jesus;  
He came to love, heal, and forgive:  
He lived and died to buy my pardon,  
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.**

*Refrain: Sing twice*

**Because he lives, I can face tomorrow;  
Because he lives, all fear is gone;  
Because I know he holds the future,  
And life is worth the living just because he lives.**

\*Benediction

**As you leave this place, when you meet anger, speak with love. When you meet fear, speak with hope. When you meet pain, speak with gentleness. But no matter what, speak this good news. For the good news of the gospel is love and justice for all. It is joy that surprises, and nonviolence that transforms. The good news of the gospel is alive in the world, so go forth speaking. For if you won't, then who will? Thanks be to God for this good, good news. Amen.**

\*On Eagle's Wings #143

**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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