



Pacific Beach
United Methodist Church
LEARNING AND LIVING GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL

PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 29, 2026, 10:00 AM

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Gathering in the Courtyard
Introit and Congregational Procession
Hymn #278

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

**Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.**

**From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.**

**"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!**

Welcome

Call to Worship

Wesley Dwaine

One: Will you follow? Will you lay down your coat?

Will you lay down something important? Will you shout "Hosanna"?

Will you join the parade? Will you sing, even if your throat is hoarse?

Will you cut down a palm branch? Will you wave it in the air?

Will you follow the one riding on a donkey? Will you let this good news inspire you to act?

**All: We will. We will sing. We will pay close attention. We will worship. We will follow.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest.**

*Opening Hymn

"Who Is He"

**Who is he who comes in triumph? Who is he who comes to die,
Come in peace and comes in power, hidden One now lifted high?
Jesus, Jesus, Lord, Messiah, mighty Master of the grave!
See him ride, the King of glory! God himself has come to save!**

**See him there in humble splendor. Hear them shouting all around.
Joy explodes in wild procession. Praise is now the victor's crown.
"Glory, glory in the highest!" Like the angels hear them sing,**

**Please stand as you are able*

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Dancing 'round the Long-awaited - once their hope, and now their King.

**Rise and join the glad procession! Hear them passing by again –
All the ransomed, all his children, marching to Jerusalem!
Look ahead – the gates of splendor! Hear the everlasting hymn!
Open wide your hearts in worship! Let the King of glory in!**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Jesus of Nazareth, we know that you spent your days teaching and healing. You marched through the streets and walked on water. You laid hands on the sick and broke bread at crowded dinner tables. Your good news was not confined to conversation. It was not confined to the Temple. Your good news was an act of love, alive in the world. Holy God, we long for a faith like that. Forgive us for the times when we confine our faith to something we think about, as opposed to something we act upon. Inspire us to love as you loved. Inspire us to act. With hope for tomorrow we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Leader: Church family, whether or not you wave your palm branch, whether or not you live out your faith, whether or not you allow this good news to inspire your actions, God will never stop loving you. Jesus will never stop marching for you. The Spirit will never stop listening to you.

People: We are claimed, loved, and held in grace. What good, good news. Amen!

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

“I Thank You Jesus” Sing Twice

**I thank you, Jesus. I thank You, Jesus.
Jesus, I thank You Lord,
Oh, you brought me from a mighty,
A mighty long way,
A mighty long way.**

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time

Louis Perez

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture:

Mark 11:1-11

Message:

The Good News Is...Inspiring Us To Act

Rev. Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer #2160 & 2161

“Into My Heart” and “To Know You More”

Choir and congregation join in:

**Out of my heart, out of my heart, shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus;
Shine out today, shine out alway; shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.**

To know you in all of your glory, to love you with all that I am.

With all of my heart, Lord, this is my prayer: To know you more.

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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.**

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.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Blessed are you, God, and the one who comes in your name. Like the palms laid down on a road long ago, we prepare to lay down our gifts, gifts that ready our world for your coming, gifts that open our eyes to your appearing. Let us not misunderstand your entry into our lives. Hosanna, save us, let us walk with you. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #277

“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” Vs 1 & 3

**Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear;
Things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
Stories of Jesus, tell them to me.**

**Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
Waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
One of his heralds, yes, I would sing
Loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"**

*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.

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*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.**

Assisting in Worship Today

Worship Leader: Wesley Dwaine; Head Usher: Ken Brown; Greeter: Diane Nelson

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

Our flowers today are from Michael Stratton in celebration of David Nichols' birthday.

Last Day: Please be sure to order your Easter lily flowers, in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Sign up for weekly PBUMC emails to hear what's happening! Go to pbumc.org/news to sign up for weekly updates, the monthly Beach Breeze newsletter, the prayer chain and more.

For those who would like to be a member of PB UMC...you are welcome! New Member Information Forms are available on the whiteboard out front and on the table in the church entryway. They can be filled out and placed in the offering plate or given to Pastor Lori anytime. For those who would like to learn more about the church, what United Methodists believe and how we serve God in the community and world, you are invited to a quarterly Belonging Gathering. **Our next Gathering will be held on Sunday, June 14th.**

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