



Pacific Beach

United Methodist Church

LEARNING AND LIVING GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL

EASTER SUNDAY * CHRIST IS RISEN* HOLY COMMUNION

APRIL 5, 2026, 10:00 AM

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Greeting

Introit

Choir begins

“An Easter Celebration”

Congregation joins in

Crown Him the Lord of Life, who triumphed o'er the grave,

And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;

His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,

Who died eternal life to bring, he lives that death may die. *Choir concludes*

Welcome

Call to Worship

Ivy Petersen

One: On Friday, we thought the good news had been silenced.

All: On Friday, we thought the good news had taken its last breath.

One: On Friday, we thought the good news had been buried.

All: But today, we know the good news is alive and well.

One: The good news is dancing!

All: The good news is on the loose!

One: The good news is out in the world, calling your name!

All: Alleluia! Even death has lost its sting. Let us worship our good-news Christ.

*Opening Hymn #302

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” Vs 1, 2 & 4

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!

Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!

Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!

Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!

Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!

Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Call to Confession

**Please stand as you are able*

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Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we want to be Easter people. We want to shout your good news from the rooftop. We want to follow the disciples who ran to look for you. We want to follow the angels, who said, "Be not afraid," but we are afraid. And we don't know where to look. And we are worried we'll say the wrong thing. So forgive us, for we are imperfect Easter people. We are best intentions and best laid plans. We are an out-of-tune chorus of "alleluias." We are on our way, but we are not there yet. Show us how to embody your good news in this world. Show us how to be your Easter people. With hope for tomorrow, we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Leader: Family of faith, even when we are an out-of-tune chorus of "alleluias," we belong to God. Jesus died and rose for you. And there is nothing that could keep God's love at bay. So join me in this good news declaration:

People: Through Jesus Christ we are seen, saved, loved, and claimed. This is the good news of the gospel! Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ #2082

"Woke Up This Morning" Vs 1 *Sing Twice*

**Oh I woke up this morning with my mind, stayed on Jesus,
Woke up this morning with my mind, stayed on Jesus,
Woke up this morning with my mind, stayed on Jesus,
Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah.**

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time

Les Brogan

Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture:

Matthew 28:1-10

Message:

The Good News Is...Alive In the World

Rev. Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer #171;2161 "There's Something About That Name" & "To Know You More" Vs 1

Trio begins

Congregation and Choir join:

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.

Prayers of the People

David DeBus

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 New Beginnings, you roll away more than stones. You roll away despair and doubt, fear and failure. On this Resurrection morning, we offer our gifts in gratitude for the new life we have found in Christ. Let these offerings be signs of our commitment to live differently -- eyes open, hearts awakened, hands ready to serve. May what we give today help announce to the world that hope is alive, love has triumphed, and joy cannot be contained. Use us and what we offer to keep telling the story: Christ is risen, indeed! Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Please refer to the red pew hymnal, pages 13-14 or 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**

"Lift Your Voice and Sing" Vs 1 & 3

Choir begins

Congregation joins in

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ, our King: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice.

Praise is His gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,

Singing for evermore: Alleluia! Amen!

Choir concludes

***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: Ivy Petersen; Head Usher: Ken Brown; Greeter: Tammy Evans

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Thank you to all for our lovely Easter lilies today.

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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.**

For pastoral support or spiritual conversation, please contact Pastor Lori at the church office or by visiting pbumc.org/contact.

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