



COMMUNITY CHURCH LEISURE WORLD

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Our Vision: To Be Love to Leisure World

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Sunday Service: 9:30 AM
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March 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY

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Rev. Johan Dodge

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[please stand as you are able]

PALM SUNDAY ENTRANCE PROCESSIONAL – “All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to You, Re - deem - er, King, To
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing You on high, All
3. To You, be - fore Your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise; To

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whom the lips of child - ren made sweet ho - san - nas ring. You
 hu - man - kind and all things cre - at - ed make re - ply. The
 You, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise. You

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are the King of Is - ra - el, and Da - vid's roy - al Son, Who
 peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore You went; Our
 did ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the praise we bring, Who

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in the Lord's name comes to us, the King and Bless - ed One.
 praise and pray'r and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
 in all good de - light - est, our good and gra - cious King.

[please be seated]

OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS — Rev. Johan Dodge

Good Morning and Welcome to Worship! Worship is often the first place that new people come into contact with this growing community of faith. And so, if you are joining us for the first time, I say to you what is said every Sunday: You are welcome here. Here is a place where all are welcome. For such is the love of God for God's Very Good Creation.

[please stand as you are able]

CALL TO WORSHIP: Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea - tures

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here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye Heav'n - ly

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host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY — Marylee Thomsen



Loving God, you reveal the truth about your way the world ought to be, and our role in transforming it. Show us again the image of Jesus that we are to emulate and teach us to carry the visage of Jesus, so that self-emptying may be our pathway, through Jesus the Christ, whose life and teachings revealed your way of love for all of creation. Amen.

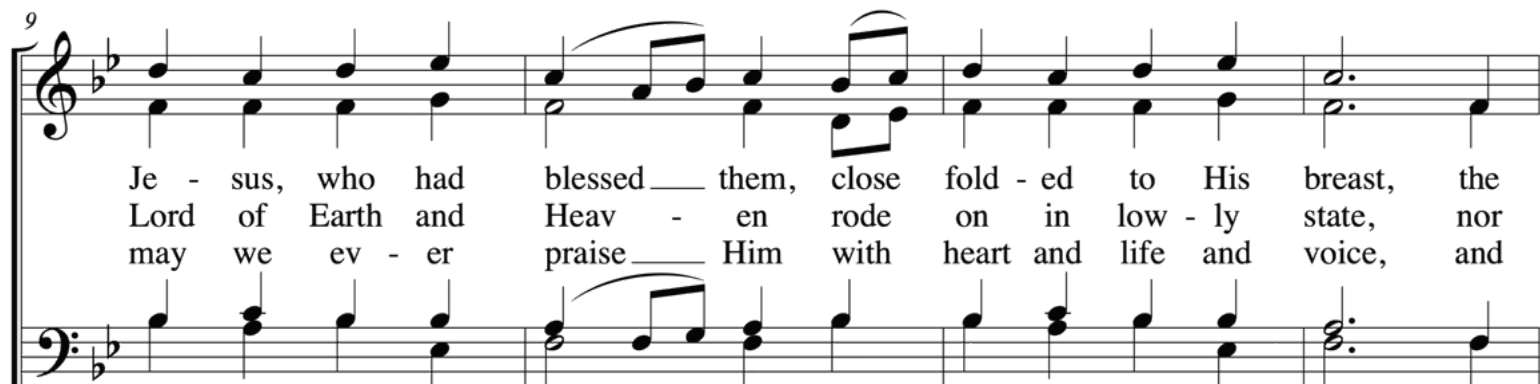
HYMN: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na the lit - tle chil - dren sang; Through
 2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed a - mong the joy - ful crowd; The
 3. "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" that an - cient song we sing, For

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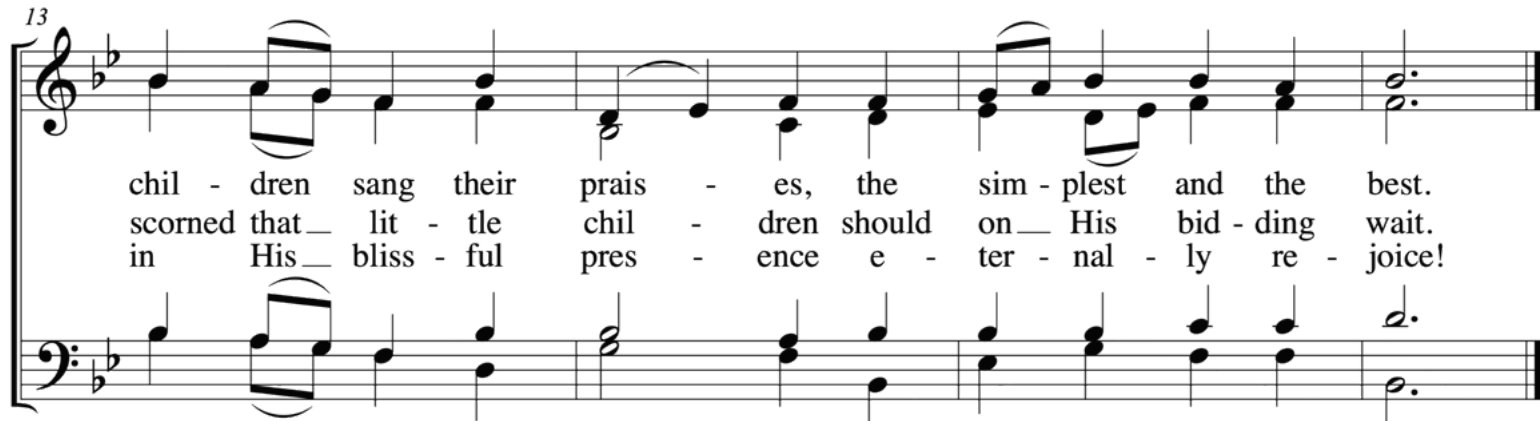
pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang. To
 vic - t'ry — palm branch wav - ing, with prais - es clear and loud. The
 Christ is — our Re - deem - er, the Lord of Heav'n, our King. Oh,

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Je - sus, who had blessed — them, close fold - ed to His breast, the
 Lord of Earth and Heav - en rode on in low - ly state, nor
 may we ev - er praise — Him with heart and life and voice, and

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chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 scorned that — lit - tle chil - dren should on — His bid - ding wait.
 in His bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

[please be seated]

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION — Rev. Johan Dodge



Let us pray for the church, for earth and all its creatures, and for all people in need, with the shared words

God of new life, hear our prayer.

That Christians hear and share the word of God as true disciples,

God of new life, hear our prayer.

That all ends of the earth receive the words of the way of love.

God of new life, hear our prayer.



That all leaders, of church, and of state, prefer humble service to empty power.

God of new life, hear our prayer.

That all people live with gratitude for the gifts of nourishment, friendship, family, trust, patience, and hope with the courage and wisdom to change whatever fails to be life-giving.

God of new life, hear our prayer.



That we might live with gratitude for our ancestors whose love and witness have nourished our own, that all who mourn today will be comforted.

God of new life, hear our prayer.

God our loving creator, you show us the way to freedom through the loving way of Jesus, in whose name we pray, **Amen.**

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God, Cre - a - tor;
Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; Thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As Thou hast been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
to Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by

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morn - ing, new mer - cies I see. All I have need - ed Thy

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hand hath pro - vid - ed. Great is Thy faith - ful - ness,

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Lord un - to me! Lord un - to me!

[please be seated]

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION — Marylee Thomsen

Loving God, let your Word break open our hearts this day through the power of the Holy Spirit, that we may enter into the coming Holy Week with the mind and attitude of Jesus. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE — Marylee Thomsen

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

- ¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!
- ² Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
- ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.
- ²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.
- ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.



- ²³ This is the Lord's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- ²⁵ Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!
O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!
- ²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
We bless you from the house of the Lord.
- ²⁷ The Lord is God,
and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.
- ²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.
- ²⁹ O give thanks to God, for God is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.



Matthew 21:1-11

Jesus's Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

¹ When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately."

⁴ This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

⁵ "Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷ they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹⁰ When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹ The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

MESSAGE: "><X•" ("Together Be God")



QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION — Rev. Johan Dodge

As this Holy Week unfolds, spend some time each day pondering the mind of Christ. What is the shape of God's compassion? Describe the image of such great love. Finally, what does it feel like, physically, to be so utterly cared for?

REFLECTION: "Were You There?" — Hannah Yi, *pianist*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING — Marylee Thomsen

Let our hosannas to the one who brings liberation take form in our tithes and offerings.

[Ushers, please come forward]

OFFERTORY: "The Lily of the Valley" — Dave Albulario, *tenor*



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING — Marylee Thomsen

God of all good gifts, we thank you for showing us how to care for each other. May these gifts lead to great feasting for those who have no banquets set before them. May these gifts build shelters and places of prayer for those who are unhoused. May these gifts proclaim your desire that all your creation live in peace. Give us grateful hearts, O God, in the name of the one who came to draw all people to himself, Jesus the Christ.

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Musical score for the hymn "Let There Be Peace on Earth". The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Let there be peace on Earth, and let it be - gin with me._____", "Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be._____", "With God, our Cre - a - tor,_____, we are fam - i - ly._____", and "Let us walk with each oth - er_____, in per - fect har - mo - ny._____".

Let there be peace on Earth, and let it be - gin with me._____

Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be._____

With God, our Cre - a - tor,_____, we are fam - i - ly._____

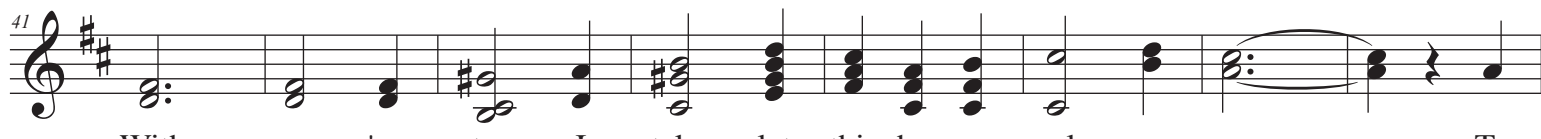
Let us walk with each oth - er_____, in per - fect har - mo - ny._____

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Let peace be - gin with me, let this be the mo - ment now;_____

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With ev - 'ry step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow:_____ To

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take each mo - ment and live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly;_____

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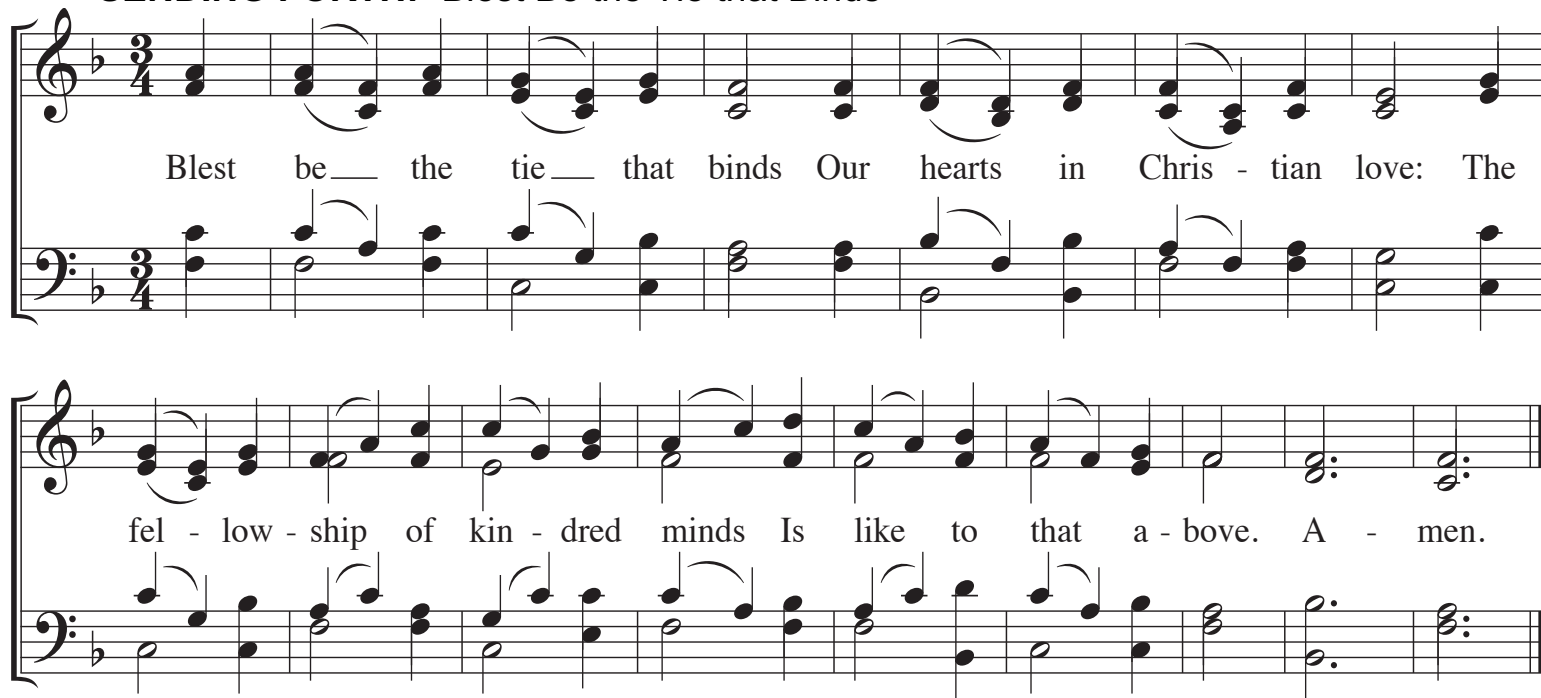


Let there be peace on Earth, and let it be - gin with me._____

BLESSING — Rev. Johan Dodge

Go in peace, assured of God's presence with you, with the mind of Jesus as your path and guide, and the constant companionship of the Holy Spirit. Look not to rewards and celebrity for your good deeds. Do unto others what will nurture God's desire for them.

SENDING FORTH: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds"



Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love: The

fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove. A - men.

Music Team: Dave Albulario, *Tenor / Music Dir.*
Hannah Yi, *Pianist*

Jennifer Rudy, *Soprano*
John Fluker, *Pianist*

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Music by Melchior Teschner; Words by Theodulph, Bishop Of Orleans; trans. John Mason Neale

Doxology (*Old Hundredth LM*)

Music by Louis Bourgeois, 1551
Words by Thomas Ken, 1674

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Tune: *ELLACOMBE*;
Words by Jennette Threlfall

"Were You There?" *Piano Reflection*

African American Spiritual
Piano Arrangement by Fred Bock

"The Lily of the Valley"

Music by William S. Hays; Lyrics by Charles W. Fry; 2008 Musicnotes, Inc.

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Music & Words by Sy Miller & Jill Jackson
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"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (Dennis SM)

Music by Johann G. Nägeli, 1768-1836
Words by John Fawcett, 1740-1817
Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Marina Tesla – Marina's surgery to relieve back and neck pain has been rescheduled for April 16th. Special prayers for a surgeon and care givers at UC Irvine who will strive to meet her needs.

Caroline Landenberger – Thank you for continued prayers for Jeanette's sister-in-law. She is being treated at home for cancer-related issues. Jeanette and Fred plan to visit her during their road trip to Oklahoma. Prayers for the entire family.

Gerri Seaton – Gerri is experiencing pain related to a fall she had a few weeks ago. Please remember her in your prayers. Cards are always welcome:

*Gerri Seaton
Rowntree Gardens
12151 Dale St D304
Stanton, CA 90680*

Linda & Lewis Hildreth – Linda & Lewis are content to be sharing a room at Home on Cascade, Assisted Living. They are grateful for care from Hospice nurses. Cards are always welcome:

*Linda & Lewis Hildreth
15311 Cascade Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92647*

LENT: SHINE in the DARKNESS

March 29th	Palm Sunday! Be Kind today!	April 2nd	Avoid complaining — all day
March 30th	Share a meal with a friend	April 3rd	Send a letter to a friend
March 31st	Visit someone	April 4th	Call a friend you haven't talked to
April 1st	Tell someone you're grateful for them	April 5th	EASTER!

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FLOWERS and **FELLOWSHIP**: Today's 🌺 flowers are provided by Marina Tesla. Fellowship refreshments are provided by Noemi Albulario to celebrate her birthday coming up on April 1st (no foolin'!). See the sign-up charts for 2026 to provide refreshments or cover the cost of altar flowers for future services. Altar flowers are *now only \$25!* See Phyllis Spencer to coordinate the arrangements.

COFFEE WITH PASTOR: ☕ On Thursday, April 2nd at 10 AM, join us for "Coffee with Pastor." Every Thursday, we invite you to join Pastor Johan and other members of our congregation for a relaxed time to discuss *any* questions you may have, current events, or just to get something off your chest. Come share coffee & conversation.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: Thursday, April 2, 2026, is **Maundy Thursday**. Come early for "Coffee with Pastor" at 10 am, then we'll gather in Edgar Fellowship Hall at 11:00 am for a special handwashing service followed by a Mediterranean-themed lunch.

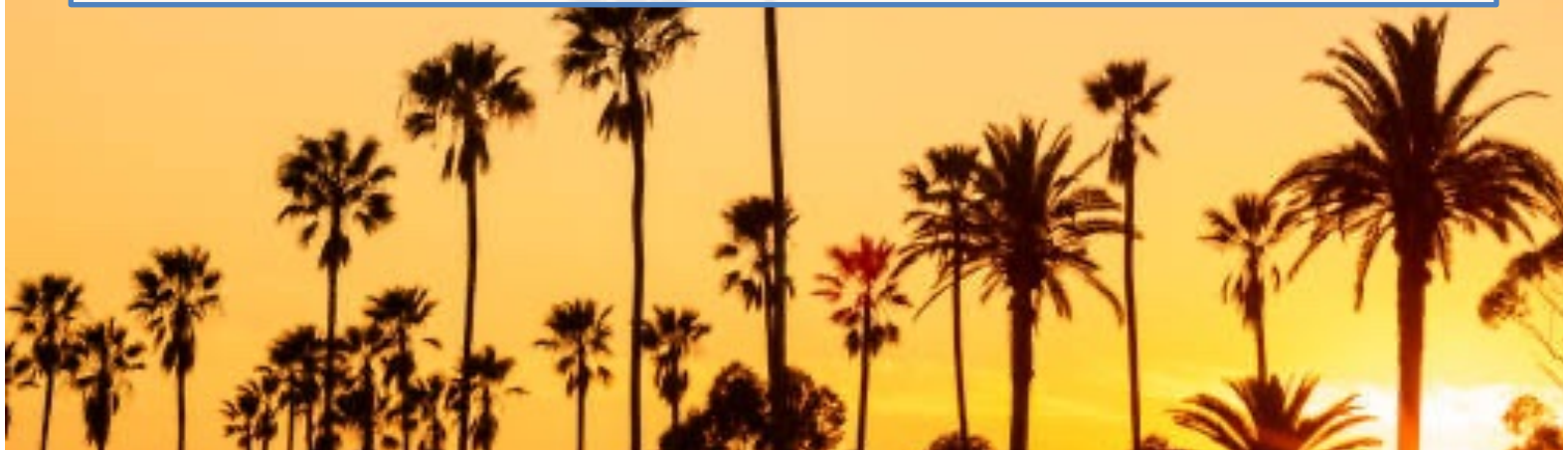
GOOD FRIDAY: Friday, April 3, 2026, is **Good Friday**. We will celebrate a joint service at 10 am, at Redeemer Lutheran Church, located at 13564 St Andrews Dr, Seal Beach, CA 90740.

EASTER LILIES: Easter Lilies will once again adorn the church altar over Easter. Easter Lilies are available for purchase at \$15 each and may be picked up after Easter worship. Please fill out the "Holiday Flower Order" form with the notation of the loved one you are honoring/remembering and place the \$15 in the attached envelope.

EASTER 🌺 SUNDAY 🌸 FLOWER 🌻 CROSS: Sunday, April 5, 2026 is **EASTER!** Bring fresh flowers from your garden to Easter Service on to adorn the large cross on the patio *before* Worship begins at 9:30 am.

RECENT LWCC WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

March 1st: 40 | March 8th: 30 | March 15th: 34 | March 29th: 31





March 29, 2026



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Notes from the Service

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My Prayers this week:

Prayer Journal

Use this prayer in your time with God each day.

Household Prayer: Morning

I rise O God, awakened by your light to enjoy another day. Lead me in your path. Show me the steps to take toward building your kingdom here around me. Hold me in your care as I move through this Holy Week where the shadows deepen even in the daylight. Hosanna! Amen.

*Consider The Upper Room Daily Devotional
as a resource for Midday Prayer.*

Household Prayer: Evening

I come to the darkness of night, O God, tired and ready for sweet rest in your care. Keep me safe from all harm, and bring me to the morning light with renewed strength. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.