



Sunday March 29, 2026
Palm Sunday

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE "All Glory, Laud, And Honor" arr. T. Burchett
Katie Gueorguieva

INTROIT "Hosanna!" by Lloyd Larson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP Paul Hoekstra

Leader: "Hosanna!" They shouted long ago: "Save us!"

People: "Hosanna!" We shout today: "Save us too!"

Leader: May Christ ride into our hearts again, washing us with excitement and joy,

**People: May Christ give us a reason to praise and to shout again, "Hosanna!
Hosanna!"**

Leader; Come, join in the hope and expectation that Jesus gives

People: Come, join in with prayer and praise, with song and scripture

Leader: Come, let us worship our God today!

HYMN #196 "All Glory, Laud and Honor" VAKET WUKK UCG DUR GEBEN

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON Rev. Erica Rader
Holy Christ, we confess that amidst all the Palm Sunday crowds, we find ourselves in more turmoil than triumph. Our faith is unsteady. Our wisdom is eroding. Our resolve is shaken. Our mercy is hardening. Our hope is weakening. Come again and save us from our sins! Help us to be your faithful followers, even amidst the crowds. Give us integrity in our words, actions and attitudes. Give us hearts of compassion for those in need. Give us clarity for how to live our faith in these troubled times. In Christ we pray, Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE "Hosanna" by Brooke Ligertwood

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Erica Rader

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Erin Heath

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 118:1-2,19-29 Paul Hoekstra

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

OFFERTORY "Hosanna to the King" by Dan Forrest
Music Director Michael Taylor, Chancel Choir, Organist Katie Gueorguieva

DOXOLOGY #606 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 21:1-11

SERMON "Palm Sunday Delight" Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

HYMN "Jesus Messiah" Worship Band

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #93 "Lift Up Your Heads" TRURO

BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE "Rejoicing" by George Friedrich Handel

Keep in Your Prayers: Mary Allen after her husband Rex's passing. Tom Smith's family after his passing. Emily Barrett starting a new round of chemo treatment. The family of Pat Jones after her passing. Sharon LeClaire & family after her mother's passing. Terri Raynaud, on hospice care. Tony Bayne. Ted Bancroft's family after his passing. Mary Smith. Bill Slocum's family after his passing. C. Michael Traw's friends after his passing. Beth Barry. Joan Brown. Patty Kelly. Eleanor Gallmeister. Kristy Cole. Judy Momrow.

Holy Week Services

April 2: Maundy Thursday Service with Communion at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

April 3: Good Friday Prayer Room in Chapel from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

April 5: Easter Sunday: Sunrise Worship at 7:00 a.m. outside in courtyard and Sanctuary Worship service at 10:00 a.m.

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Good Friday Prayer Room April 3 9:00am -9:00pm in the Chapel.

Come for contemplative prayer, reflecting on Jesus' passion. We will have prayer prompts and artistic expressions at various stations for self-guided prayer. Come anytime, or come at noon for prayer with Pastor Dave or 3:00 pm for prayer with Pastor Erica.

All-Church Mexico—Sign up now! - *June 20-27, 2026*. Join us for our Summer Mission Trip to Mexico! A group from PCLG will travel to the Tijuana area to build homes with Amor Ministries, supporting families and local churches in need. This is a great trip for anyone going into third grade and up through adulthood! Have questions? You can e-mail trip leadership at mexico@pclg.org or visit pclg.org/mexico

Newcomers Coffee: Newcomers Coffee: For those visiting PCLG in worship these days, you are invited to join Pastor Dave, Pastor Erica and Pastor Jack after worship on Sunday, April 26 at 11:15am in the Fireside Room for a meet-and-greet fellowship time.

New Members and Inquirers Class Saturday June 6, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Fireside Room - Childcare available with pre-registration. If you are considering making PCLG your church home or if you are curious to learn more, come to our new members and inquirers class led by Pastor Dave. We'll talk about what it means to focus on Jesus at our core, and we'll share about our theological heritage and how our church seeks to grow and serve together. It will be an interactive morning with plenty of time for questions and for getting to know each other.

For more info contact: members@pclg.org. You can go our website to sign up www.pclg.org/become-a-member.

Tables of 8 Our next session of Tables of 8 will be from 5/1/2026 through 10/31/2026. We will be having sign-ups during the month of April. This is a great way to meet new people or get reacquainted with others in the church. The program is open to all adults over 18. People are grouped into "tables" of 8 to 10 people and pledge to have 4 meals together over six months. The meals can be in homes or restaurants or even picnics in a park or the Redwood Grove. To sign up, look for the table during the coffee hour after church or contact Mary Jane Humphrey (maryjhumphrey@comcast.net).

Worship Band - The Worship Band is recruiting guitar, bass, drums, keyboard and singers to lead the more "blended" songs in our worship! If you or someone you know has a talent to share, come and talk to me on a Sunday morning or email me. Rita Hoegel rita.hoegel@pclg.org

Love coffee and donuts? So do we! Please consider helping us with our coffee and donut hospitality on Sunday mornings. It's a fun and easy way to help out and meet new people at the same time! Or you can volunteer to bring donut holes for pre-worship coffee. Contact Alexis Hoekstra alexishoekstra@gmail.com

Sign-Up to Be an Usher! Are you wondering how you could get involved with PCLG? One of the easiest ways to get involved is to sign up to be an usher for Sunday worship. Come to church by 9:40 a.m., and check-in with the Head Usher who will let you know what to do. It's a great way to meet people and participate in the worship service! To sign up go to <https://www.pclg.org/volunteer-sign-up>.

Come and sing with the Choir The Choir provides music and inspiration for Sunday worship from September through mid-June. Any adult who enjoys singing is encouraged to come give it a try! Rehearsals are Thursdays, 7:30-9 p.m. Contact the choir director at michael.taylor@pclg.org

Children's Ministry (Infant -5th grade) Welcome Families! On Sundays our Nursery is available for children and infants at the beginning of worship. Preschool-1st grade will meet in our Preschool Ministry "Wonderful Wing" and 2nd-5th grade will meet in our Children's Ministry "Wilderness Wing." Visiting families should walk their child back to Sunday School after the children's message so that teachers can meet the parents and know who they are dismissing the child to at pickup. Please reach out with any questions to Erin Heath, the Director of Children's Ministry, at erin.heath@pclg.org.

Youth Update Hosanna in the Highest! This morning our High School students are on their way back from the Love of God weekend. Middle Schoolers can meet Ms. Natalie in the YC to help setup for the egg hunt after worship. SNIFF is happening today at 5 p.m. but there will not be High School youth group.

This coming Friday at 8 p.m. Middle School and High School students are invited to join together in the Good Friday Prayer room to close down the days' events and reflect on the meaning of the day.

Dates To Remember

April 2	Maundy Thursday Service (7 p.m. in the Sanctuary)
April 3	Good Friday Prayer Room in the Chapel
April 5	Easter Sunday – Worship in the Garden (7 a.m.) Worship in the Sanctuary (10 a.m.)
April 25	Memorial Service for C. Michael Traw
May 16	Memorial Service for Pat Jones
May 30	Memorial Luncheon for Tom Smith
June 6	New Members Class 9 a.m.

Recurring Group Meetings

Pastor's Bible Study – Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in the Fireside room.

WOW (Women's Weekly Bible study) Thursdays at 10:00 am in the Fireside room.
contact: JHLasher01@gmail.com.

PW Morning Circle (Women's Monthly Bible study) Third Thursday of each month from 10:00 am to noon at the Terraces in the Sunroom, located on the 2nd floor in the Assistant Living area. Contact Ruth Fong (408- 314-2682)

MINOW Men's Bible Study MINOW (Men In Need Of Wisdom) is a Men's Weekly Bible Study held on Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. And we are also on Zoom, if you can't make it to PCLG in the early morning. There is always room for more men at the table so please reach out to minow@pclg.org to be added to the weekly email invite.

Bookends (Monthly Book Club). The book is *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah. It is the story of the dust bowl and the Western migration. We will meet in the fireside room Sunday April 26 at 2:30 with a zoom option. Contact Suzie Hansen at paigetturner007@hotmail.com.

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