



Welcome to
Palos Verdes Baptist Church

CHANGED LIVES CHANGING LIVES

“FULLY COMMITTED FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST” - MARCH 21, 2021

CALL TO WORSHIP

*“My heart is steadfast, O God!
I will sing and make melody with all my being!
Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn!
I will give thanks to you, O LORD, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among the nations.”
(Psalm 108:1-3, ESV)*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

MISSIONS MOMENT – AMERICA FOR CHRIST (VIDEO ONLINE)

Kazuaki Uemura

PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S WORD

*“Good Grief”
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Pastor Ken Tang-Quan*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

*“Every Sunday each of you make an offering
and put it in safekeeping. Be as generous as you can.”
(1 Corinthians 16:2a, MSG)*

CLOSING SONG

BENEDICTION

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN’S LESSON (ONLINE)

***PVBC exists to glorify God through
changed lives changing lives
in Christ by
Exalting our Creator,
Equipping our Church,
Evangelizing our Community.***

Pray for Our Missionaries

- **Tim & Kylie Chen**
 - *Navigators Shizuoka, Japan*
- **Leslie Jonan Kearsley**
 - *InterVarsity UCLA/SMC*
- **Other PVBC Supports**
 - **Jon Hori**
see Jesus
 - **Weymann Lee**
Training Leaders Int'l
 - **Mitsu & Karen Nakamura**
Cru Japan
 - **Wilson & Judy**
OMF International
 - American Baptist Churches of
LA, Southwest, Hawaii
 - Japanese Evangelical
Missionary Society (JEMS)
 - JEMS AACF
(Asian American Christian
Fellowship)

**“Finally, then, brothers,
we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus,
that as you received from us
how you ought to walk
and to please God,
just as you are doing,
that you do so more and more.”
(1 Thessalonians 4:1, ESV)**



MONTHLY CALENDAR

March

- 3/21 Missions Moment - AFC
- 3/28 Personal Sharing
- 3/28 Easter G3 – 3pm

April

- 4/2 Good Friday
- 4/4 Easter Sunday / Communion
- 4/10 Love INC Diaper Collection



**Share any prayer requests, questions, or comments, or updated info on this note,
and place it in the offering bag.**

Confidential

Prayer Team

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHIES TO OKUMURA AND NAGASAKI FAMILIES

We send our love and prayers for God's comfort and peace to Linda and Sharon's families on the homegoing of their dad Herb Kawai on Monday.

MISSIONS MOMENT – AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING

AFC Offering supports those hit by the pandemic, wildfires, floods, supports campus ministries and more. Donations can be given to PVBC memo AFC.

LOVE IN THE NAME OF CHRIST – SAT. 3/17

Volunteers needed to help move Love INC office on Sat. 3/17 morning. Please coordinate with Cynthia U.

EASTER GOD'S GOOD GATHERING – G3 – SUN. 3/28

Mark your calendars and RSVP today for our Easter G3 on Sunday 3/28 from 3pm to 4:45pm. We will gather to fellowship, share and celebrate together.

DIAPER COLLECTION FOR LOVE INC – SAT. 4/10 – 9-11AM

Drop off diapers to bless families in need through Love INC. Baby/Toddler sizes 4, 5, 6 preferred, adult diapers also needed. Stop by the church in the morning to visit, say hello, receive prayer, and fellowship.

YOUTH FNF – FRI. 3/26 @ 7:30PM

FNF Zoom meeting continues this week with God's word, hangout times and more. See Aimee and Bryant.

YOUTH 11TH HOUR – SUN. 3/28

The Youth 11th Hour is starting a new study on the Book of Acts! See you on Zoom at the 11th Hour with Dr. Kent, Cindy and Megumi.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY – SUN. 3/28

Our Sunday School classes are online with lessons from our wonderful teachers. God has so much to reveal to us. Join in to learn of His great love for each of us. Stay in touch with Linda and Janet.

SMALL GROUPS

Join a small group to study the scriptures and experience Christian community of life together. Contact Scott for more information.

WORSHIP IN GIVING

Worship and honor the Lord through your tithes & offerings. Donations can be given online at: <https://my.gobluefire.com/App/Giving/pvbc> or by mailing a check to: PVBC Administrative Office: 4010 PV Dr. N. #101, RHE, CA 90274

PHILIPPIANS 4 FUND

Compassion fund to help those in need affected by the pandemic. Visit pvbc.com/philippians-4-fund to donate and see where you are blessing.

WEEKLY NEWSBRIEFS

Are you receiving weekly emails about our church happenings? Join our email list by emailing a request to secretary@pvbc.com.

DISCIPLESHIP | MATTERS

Spiritual Practice and Children

While we often think of the spiritual disciplines as the domain of adults, children are spiritual beings in their own right. They need to be equipped early on for the challenges of living in this complicated and noisy world. Teaching spiritual disciplines can occur quite naturally as part of daily life, and time in shared spiritual practice will enhance your relationship.

- During the transition from evening activities to bedtime, be still together for a few moments, thinking about the day. Imagine placing any negative experiences or feelings into Jesus' gentle hands.
- Take a walk outside, listening to, looking for and even smelling the changes that accompany the transition from winter to spring as reminders of our Creator.
- Practice fasting or simplicity by inviting children to choose something to give up. Link the fast to an act of service. Accept their ideas, even if they seem silly to you, so it becomes *their* spiritual practice. If they are perplexed, you can make suggestions, such as donating the surrendered favorite treat to a food bank or using time not spent on video games to make an Easter basket for a shut-in.
- When young children are tasked with clean up, suggest that they imagine returning items to their proper homes. Doing chores this way provides practice in kindness and in being present in daily activities.

But he [Jesus] would withdraw to deserted places and pray. — Luke 5:16



But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.'"

— Matthew 19:14

A free children's page for Palm Sunday can be downloaded at abhms.org > Publications & Resources > Discipleship Matters. At judsonpress.com > E-Books, Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday versions of Rachel Gilmore's "Church Programs & Celebrations for All Generations" can be downloaded for \$3 each.



"Do not ask that your children live up to your expectations. Let them be who they are, and your expectations will be in breathless pursuit." — Robert Brault

The focus on the death and resurrection of Jesus comes fairly quickly after Christmas, when we celebrate the birth of the Christ child. This shift can be confusing or even frightening for children, so it is important to review highlights of Jesus' life during the weeks leading up to Easter. It is not age-appropriate for younger children to think about his execution. Older children can be introduced to his arrest and death, without emphasizing the brutality. Because children tend to feel responsible when something bad happens, a good approach is to talk about how Jesus' message of loving the outcast and challenging the powerful was threatening those in power, leading to his fate. As they mature, you can discuss sin and atonement, which are advanced theological concepts. Including children in planning special services will help them feel the hope and promise of the resurrection while considering Jesus' sacrifice.



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