

**CONGREGATIONAL**  
**Church *of* Soquel**



**April 13, 2025**  
**10:00 am**

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**Palm Sunday  
April 13, 2025**

## **GATHERING TOGETHER**

**Prelude** *Morning* Edvard Grieg

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Ringling of the Bell**

**\*Introit #801** *This Is the Day* v 1, Hymnal 1

**\*Responsive Call to Worship** (Psalm 148:11-13)

*Minister: All people of the earth!*

**Congregation: Young women and men alike.**

*Minister: Praise the name of the Lord.*

**Congregation: God's glory is above earth and heaven.**

**\*Hymn #205** *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty* Hymnal 1

**\*Invocation**

**Responsive Reading** (John 20:19-28) see insert

## **JOINING IN PRAISE AND PRAYER**

**Special Music** *Day to Sing Hosanna* by Pepper Choplin  
Chancel Choir

**Morning Prayer & 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 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.

\*Congregation Standing (as you are able)

**Response In Song #822** *Jesus, Remember Me*

Hymnal 1

**SHARING THE WORK**

**Offertory** *The Palms*

Jean-Baptiste Faure

**\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

(Tune: *All Creatures of our God and King*)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God the source of all our gifts, Praise Jesus Christ whose  
power uplifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*Hymn #200** *Lord, Who Throughout*

Hymnal 1

**SHARING THE WORD**

Reverend Dr. Mark Fountain

**Sermon:** *Benefit of the Doubt*

**Scripture:** John 20:19-28

**PARTING WITH SONG AND PRAYER**

**\*Hymn #33** *He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word*

Hymnal 1

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregational Response in Song**

We are God's people, a people of the Lord, born of the Spirit,  
the Love of God outpoured; our cornerstone is Christ alone,  
and strong in Him we stand: O let us live transparently,  
and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

**\*Postlude** *Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit*

Spiritual

\*Congregation Standing (as you are able)

*Maundy  
Thursday*



Let us break bread and sip from the cup together

## Responsive Reading (John 20:19-28)

*Reader: When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'*

**Congregation: After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.**

*Reader: Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'*

**Congregation: If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'**

*Reader: But Thomas, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'*

**Congregation: A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'**

*Reader: Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.'*

**Congregation: Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'**

*Thank you to our youth and their teachers  
for taking part in today's service!*

### Easter Word Search

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*How many Easter eggs are in the basket?*



## APRIL Mission of the Month

'Save Our Shores' three pillars are Clean Shores, Healthy Habitats and Living Waters. Visit their website at [saveourshores.org](http://saveourshores.org) to explore how they have a lasting impact on the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

To support '**Save Our Shores**', drop your donation (of any amount) in the offering plate, give online, or send to the church office. Please note on your donation, 'Save Our Shores'. *Thank you!*



**Hand to Hand  
Spring 2025  
Let's Clean Cowell's Beach!**

 Saturday, 26 April  
 @ Cowell's Beach  
 9:00 - 11:00 am

Questions? Contact the Church Office

**JOIN US & SAVE OUR SHORES TO CLEAN COWELL'S BEACH AND  
HELP SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT! SIGN UP IN PARRISH HALL.  
SEE YOU AT THE BEACH!**



### *Featured Guest*

**Darcelle Pruitt** - Resource Planner for Santa Cruz County, Recycling and Solid Waste Division

**April 27 • 10:00 am**

### **"Finding Balance - Small Changes to a Sustainable Future"**

At Fellowship, Darcelle will answer any questions you may have about what goes in your recycling and compost bins, versus the trash bin. She can discuss California's climate laws, our nearby landfill, methane, groundwater management - any local environmental question you might have.

There will be displays on favorite plastic alternatives. Also, a native plant and succulent give away and swap! Bring your extra plants, take some home, and give some to friends!

# Lily Dedications



## This Easter Honor Loved Ones

Donate a lily in their name and help us beautify our sanctuary this Easter! You can donate \$10 online, drop off in the offering plate or at the Church Office by April 14th. Dedication forms can be found in the weekly e-news, in the church office and in the narthex.



## 2025 Dedications

*He is Risen Indeed - Happy Easter to All!*

David & Joyce Trybom

*Slader Huey Mickey's First Easter!*

John & Carol Parda

*My church family & friends, my family!*

Katharine Burke

*Michael Greenway - Son; Viola Henderson - Mother; Donald Henderson - Father; Ellen Campbell - Sister & Peggy Hillis - Friend.*

Judy Kuehlborn

*In celebration of Joy, Kindness and the Hope we find in Easter.*

Laura Hamby

*Easter blessings to all those who couldn't be with us today.*

Gloria Wells

*To our church family.*

Rick & Judy Peretto

# April

3/30 - 4/14

Lily Dedications - \$10.00 donation goes to the Flower Fund

13th Sunday

Palm Sunday - 10:00am

17th Thursday

Maundy Thursday - 7:00pm

20th Sunday

Easter Sunrise Service - 6:30 @ Capitola Beach

Easter Sunday Service - 10:00am

Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt - 10:00am

22nd Tuesday

Earth Day!

26th Saturday

Hand to Hand Beach Clean Up

27th Sunday

Earth Sunday Service - 10:00am

# EASTER 2025

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Bring Your Family, Friends & Voices  
10 am Easter Sunday Morning

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**THE HOPE OF EASTER**  
*Reach out for the things ahead*

Philippians 3:10-14

We welcome you to our

**Maunder Thursday Service April 17th @ 7:00pm**

*A reflective gathering commemorating Jesus' final Passover with his disciples.*

**6:30 am SUNRISE CELEBRATION**

**@ Capitola Beach April 20th**

*Coffee & Refreshments provided at the beach!*



At Congregational Church of Soquel, we value the past with a sense of gratitude, but welcome the present moment with expectation and joy! Please join us Sundays at 10:00 am. The bell ringing from atop our historic church, established in 1868, reminds us of a rich and meaningful past. However, as our logo suggests, a living tradition of life, worship and progressive Christian faith lifts our hearts as we reach in the direction of an exciting future.

With this vision, we seek to live as Jesus taught, loving God and neighbor in ways that embrace the opportunities and needs of our time and place: creating a sustainable environment for the earth, addressing food insecurities among our neighbors, supporting families, celebrating the arts and creating a spiritual home for people of all ages and backgrounds. Together, we discover friendship and meaning through the interplay of faith, life, and service within the greater Santa Cruz community and beyond.

Join us as we unite a meaningful past with a hopeful vision moving forward.

Peace,  
*Mark Fountain*  
 Minister



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**THANK YOU!**

**Announcer & Reader:** Katharine Burke

**Ushers:** Joyce & David Trybom

**Fellowship:** Sharon & Ben Walker

**Media Team:** Laura Hamby & Cindy Ruhsam

*A special Thank You to Elizabeth Bunch for being our pianist today!*

Church Office Hours  
 Tuesday - Thursday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

**OUR CHURCH STAFF**

Minister.....Reverend Dr. Mark Fountain  
 Ministry Associate.....Reverend Patti Haaheim  
 Office Manager.....Kristin Ard  
 Music Director.....Camille Couture-Carter  
 Pianist.....Susan Bass  
 Maintenance Supervisor.....Ricardo Perez  
 Ministers to the Community.....Congregation