

MORNING MESSAGE Drink from the Fountain of Grace Rev. Melissa Rusler  
"From Empty to Overflowing"

UNISON PRAYER (All Voices)

**Jesus, as we journey with you today from triumph to despair to hope, lead us to radically trust in you, even in the most desperate of places, because you have been there, and you have prevailed. Amen.**

PALMS

First Reading John 12:12-19  
First Message  
Song "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" (Verse 3) #278

PASSION

Second Reading Psalm 22  
Second Message  
Song "Spirit of the Living God" #393

HOPE

Third Reading: Psalm 23  
Third Message  
Song "I Surrender All" (Verse 1) #354

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayer of Confession (All Voices)

**God of Hope, You stand in solidarity with us even when we betray you. Forgive us for how our worship is sometimes conditional. Forgive us for putting expectations on you instead of learning what to expect from you. When we try to escape the pain of the world, forgive us, and give us eyes to see you in every suffering neighbor. Help us to lean on you when things are good and when they're not, to lament when we need to lament, to hope in our despair, and to share our hope with the hopeless. Amen**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES TO GOD

Gift of Music "To God Be the Glory?" by William H. Doane, arr. by Mary McDonald

\*Singing Our Praise "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving (All Voices)

**Enter the city of our hearts; we lay our gifts before you.  
Enter the city of our lives, and save us, Lord Jesus. Amen.**

\*SONG OF DEDICATION "Fill My Cup" #641

\*BLESSING

CLOSING MUSIC "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" by Hugh Wilson, arranged by Larry Shackley

Be a blessing to someone today!



## Murrieta United Methodist Church

Our Vision: To build a community where ALL are welcome to grow in faith in Jesus through study, worship, prayer, and an invitation to serve God, our neighbor, and beyond.

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Office Hours: Monday– Thursday  
9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Worship 10:00 AM  
Sanctuary

Sunday School Pre K-5th Grade 10:15 AM

Fellowship Hall

Sunday School Youth 10:15 AM

Youth Room

Sunday Study and Discussion Group 11:15 AM

Fellowship Hall

### OUR CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Melissa Rusler—Senior Pastor  
Rev. Tom Rothhaar—Visitation Pastor  
Reagan Allen—Director of Children, Young People, & Family Ministries  
Michelle Dewey—Nursery Coordinator  
Desiree Gonzales—Learning Support Assistant  
Bryce Russell—Accompanist  
Parker Russell—Tech Team Leader  
Liz Sabicer—Worship Leader  
Sandy Selby—Office Administrator  
Joe Wilson—Custodian  
Scott Woodbury—Worship Keyboard & Vocals

### SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Wes Scott—Liturgist  
Tom Hanlon, Mike Knowles, & Eric Rusler—Tech  
Bob Granzow & Lisa Shrader—Greeters  
Eula Aniywo, Donna McCullough, Shirley Ricky, & Sai Noa—Ushers  
Mark Medin—Praise Team  
Wes Scott—Choir Director

TFWS = The Faith We Sing Song Book

### RESPONSE CARD

Please print & place in the offering plate.  
Thank you.

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ First Time Attendee

\_\_\_\_ Member(s) of MUMC

\_\_\_\_ Regular attender(s) not members

\_\_\_\_ Guest of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I'd like to be on your mailing list

\_\_\_\_ I'd like more information on becoming a member

# = The United Methodist Hymnal

**Next Week at MUMC:**

Rev. Melissa Rusler

Drink from the Fountain  
of Grace  
"The Cup That Never Runs Dry"

John 20:1-18

Easter Sunday  
April 5, 2026

Sunrise Service 6:00 AM  
Celebration Service 10:00 AM



Prayer requests/Comments:

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**BLOOD DRIVE TODAY** in the Fellowship Hall until 1PM

**HOLY WEEK STARTS TODAY!**

Join us as we journey through Holy Week together.

**Maundy Thursday – April 2 at 5:30 PM**

Gather for a simple soup supper in the Fellowship Hall followed by Worship with Holy Communion. "Maundy" comes from Jesus' command to love one another.

**Easter Sunday – April 5, 2026**

Celebrate the joy of resurrection with several opportunities for worship and fellowship:  
**6:00 AM** – Sunrise Worship with Holy Communion (in front of sanctuary – dress warmly)  
**7:00 AM—9AM** – Continental Breakfast with hot coffee and a light breakfast  
**10:00 AM** – Easter Celebration Service with Worship and Holy Communion in the Sanctuary (Children will remain with their families during worship)  
**11:30-ish** – Easter Egg Hunt beginning after worship once everyone has exited the sanctuary

**DONATIONS NEEDED FOR EASTER EGG HUNT**

As we prepare for Easter, we are collecting plastic Easter eggs (empty or stuffed) and small items to fill them, such as candy, stickers, or small toys. Donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off with Reagan Allen or in the youth office. Thank you for helping make this a fun Easter for our kids!

**DON'T FORGET YOUR FLOWERS ON EASTER**

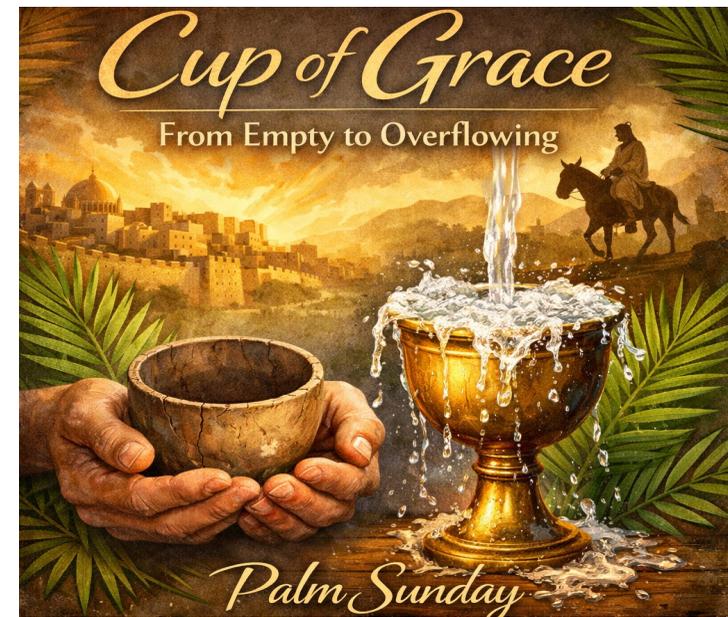
Don't forget to bring fresh flowers from your garden to flower our cross on Easter Sunday!

**FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON FRIDAYS**

We are looking for several volunteers who could serve at the Food Pantry every Friday morning 7:30 AM to 10:00 AM. We need someone to hand out food at one of the tables in the main room and someone to help people carry and load the bags of food they collect.

**GUATAMALAN CRAFTS SALE**

Mark your calendars for the Guatemalan Crafts Sale which will happen on **April 19th.**



**Palm/Passion Sunday**

**March 29, 2026**

(An "\*" indicates when to stand in body or in Spirit.)

OPENING MUSIC

"Nothing but the Blood of Jesus"  
by Robert Lowry, arr. by Larry Shackley

Bryce Russell

*Our cup overflows because Jesus emptied his cup.*

WELCOME & INVITATION TO WORSHIP

\*SINGING OUR PRAISE

"Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord"  
"Day by Day"

Mark Medin, Liz Sabicer  
& Scott Woodbury

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (One Voice; **All Voices**)

Wes Scott

We are here today to worship the king of kings!  
**We worship a king who defies expectations.**  
Our king pours himself out for us and for all.  
**We come like empty cups, ready to receive his grace.**  
In his pouring out we find blessings of compassion, mercy, presence.  
**We find that the good life is not the easy life, it is the life walked with God.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

\*SONG IN PRAISE OF JESUS

"All Glory Laud, and Honor"  
(Verses 1-4)

#280

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns  
Silent Prayer ~ Pastoral Prayer ~ The Lord's Prayer (In Unison)

MUSIC BY THE CHOIR

"Hosanna" by Don Besig