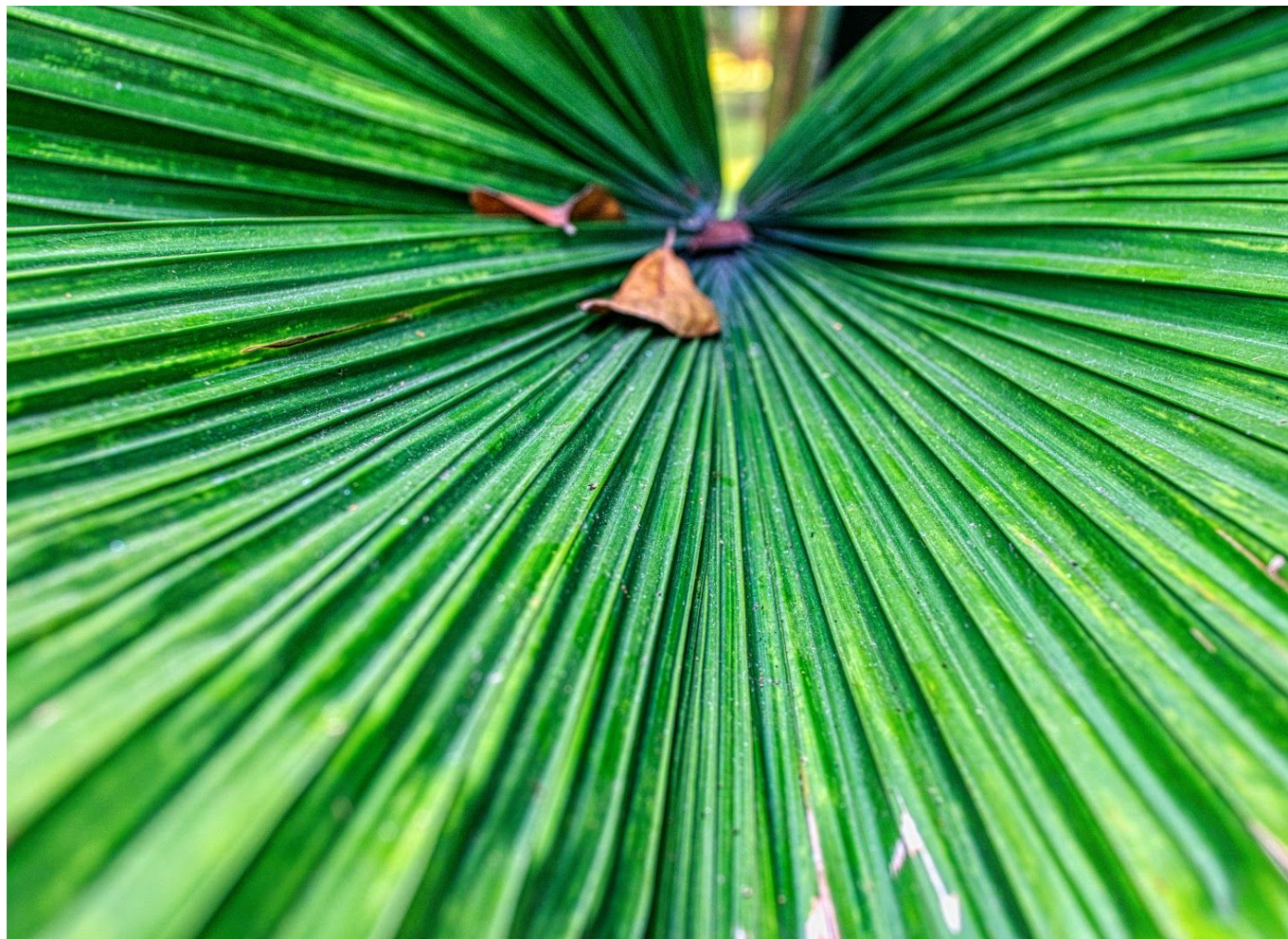


PALM SUNDAY



WELCOME | BIENVENIDOS

Apr 5, 2020 | [ONLINE WORSHIP LINK](#)

Today's hashtag is: #EdenUCC #BendtheCurve

Eden United Church of Christ is an **LGBTQ Open & Affirming** and a **Sanctuary** congregation.



We believe that all people are children of God; that persons of all ages, races and sexual orientations are part of our increasingly diverse culture. We welcome all persons into the full life and ministry of this church.

Children's bulletins are available from the ushers and nursery care is available during worship. We encourage the posting of worship to social media, just remember to mute devices. And, thank you for bringing no food or beverages into the Sanctuary other than sacramental elements and bottled water.

PALM SUNDAY | [ONLINE WORSHIP LINK](#)

The “+” indicates times when we are invited to stand, in body or spirit, as we are able.

**OPENING MUSIC | All Glory, Laud, and Honor |
Melchior Teschner/Amy Webb | Dr. Jessie Lo**

WELCOME | Rev. Marvin Wiser

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE | Rev. Pepper Swanson

BIBLE READING | [Matthew 21:1-11](#) | Nadia (Spanish)

SERMON | “Parade Ready” | Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring

**MUSICAL MEDITATION | Mantos y Ramos / Filled with Excitement |
NCH № 214 | OneLicense #14737/A-708960 | See Insert Below**

PASTORAL PRAYER | Pastor Marvin7

[OFFERING](#) | Nadia Tavera

BLESSING | Pastor Arlene

HYMN | Ride On! Ride On in Majesty | NCH № 215 (See Insert)



Filled with Excitement

Mantos y palmas

C Dm7/C

English: 1 Filled with ex - cite - ment, all the hap - py throng
2 As in that en - trance to Je - ru - sa - lem,

Spanish: 1 Man - tos y pal - mas es - par - cien - do, va
2 Co - mo en la en - tra - da de Je - ru - sa - lén,

D dim/C C

spread cloaks and branch - es on the cit - y streets.
we sing ho - san - nas to the Christ, our King,
el pue - blo a - le - gre de Je - ru - sa - lén.
to - dos can - ta - mos a Je - sús el Rey,

C Dm7/C

There in the dis - tance they be - gin to see,
to the liv - ing Sav - ior who still calls to - day,
A - llá a lo le - jos se em - pie - za a mi - rar
al Cris - to vi - vo que nos lla - ma hoy

D dim/C C

rid - ing on a don - key, comes the Son of God.
ask - ing us to fol - low him with love and faith.
en un po - lli - no al Hi - jo de Dios.
pa - ra se - guir - le con a - mor y fe.

Refrain/Estribillo

F Em F

From ev - ery cor - ner a thou - sand voic - es sing prais - es to
 Mien - tras mil vo - ces re - sue - nan por do - quier; ho - san - na al que

G7 C F

him who comes in the name of God. With one great shout of
 vie - ne en el nom - bre del Se - ñor. Con un a - lien - to de

Em D7 G

ac - cla - ma - tion loud tri - um - phant song breaks forth:
 gran ex - cla - ma - ción pro - rrum - pen con voz trium - fal:

C F6 G C

"Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na to the King!
 ¡Ho - san - na! ¡Ho - san - na al Rey!

C F6 G C

Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na to the King!"
 ¡Ho - san - na! ¡Ho - san - na al Rey!"

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty

Luke 19:36-38; Zech. 9:9

Henry H. Milman, 1827; adapt. Lavon Bayler, 1993

1 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!
 2 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!
 3 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!
 4 Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty!

O Christ, with brave hu - mil - i - ty,
 As crowds of peo - ple come to see
 Ride on in hum - ble dig - ni - ty;
 For you have set your peo - ple free

On low - ly colt, your road pur - sue,
 And shout ho - san - nas, lift - ing high
 Be - hold the ones you came to save
 And we, re - mem - bering all your pain,

as palms and cloaks are spread for you.
 their praise for one a - bout to die.
 from sense - less life and end - less grave.
 now meet a - gain to hail your reign.

Henry H. Milman, a priest of the Church of England, served successively as professor of poetry at Oxford, canon of Westminster, and dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, London. He was also a successful playwright and historian.

Tune: ST. DROSTANE L.M.
John B. Dykes, 1862
Alternate tune: WINCHESTER NEW

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring, Senior Minister

Rev. Pepper Swanson, Associate Minister

Rev. Marvin Lance Wiser, Designated Term Associate Minister

Nadia Tavera, Student Minister

Dr. Jessie Wenchieh Lo, Pianist, Organist & Music Director

[Click for an Updated Pastoral Message re: COVID-19](#)

TODAY

Online Fellowship: From 11 am to 12 noon, there will be Online Fellowship through Zoom. You can join by computer or by phone. If you plan to join by phone or tablet, please download the Zoom app from your app store. To join by computer, go to:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/213446683>

Meeting ID: 213 446 683

And to join Online Fellowship by phone, dial: +1 301 715 8592

Sunday Storytime: Tonight at 7 pm, we'll have an online storytime for families with children (infants to grade 5). Parents & children can join via the Zoom instructions sent to your personal email. Didn't receive the instructions? Email [Pastor Pepper](#).

PASTORAL CARE

If you or someone dear to you is in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Arlene in person or by phone or email: 510-461-3285 or arlene@edenucc.com, or simply schedule a time using [this link](#).

LENT & HOLY WEEK

With the arrival of Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week, we end our Lenten journey into the wilderness. What an unusual Lent it has been! Your pastoral team missed seeing you in person and are grateful for those of you who joined us online for Bible Study, prayer, and worship. Please join us for the remaining Holy Week and Easter programs by video link or online by Zoom. We hope you will worship with us online or call into one of our small group programs. For information on how to do either, contact Pastor Pepper.

Apr 5, 7 pm

Storytime for Kids — ONLINE

Apr 6, 1 pm & 7 pm

English Bible Study -- ONLINE

Apr 9

Maundy Thursday Service, -- VIDEO LINK

Apr 10 Good Friday Service -- [ONLINE at this link](#)
Apr 12 Easter Sunday & Easter Egg Hunt -- VIDEO LINK
Apr 12, 11 am Online Easter Fellowship

Lenten Spiritual Practices: *Thoughts & Prayers -- many say it doesn't seem like enough to say you are praying for someone. Others say COVID-19 is teaching all of us that sometimes all you can do for the ones you love and for the world is to pray and to pray hard. For the final week of Lent, you're invited to explore how your prayers affect your spiritual life. Spiritual practices recommended by ESLO for the last week of Lent include:*

Holy Week: Simplifying Prayer (Apr 6-10)
Monday: Read a book or listen to a tape about meditating
Tuesday: Develop a prayer list
Wednesday: Pray for strangers you see today
Maundy Thursday: Participate in Eden's Maundy Thursday Service (Video Link)
Good Friday: Participate in Eden's Good Friday Service (Video Link)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Need Basic Computer or Phone Help to Get Online? *Don't give up! If you need step-by-step assistance to find our Online Worship, Online Fellowship, or joining one of our online small groups such as Bible Study, email Pastor Pepper at pepper@edenucc.com. She can help you determine if you have a webcam and microphone, how to access Google Hangouts Meet or Zoom, and give you a few tips if you decide to use your cell phone instead of your computer.*

Donation Tracking in Planning Center: *We are using Planning Center to track all donations, including cash and checks, and digital gifts. By using Planning Center, all of your donations will be recorded in one place, rather than the two-system arrangement currently in place. Donation statements will continue to be distributed at the end of the calendar year as always, but now you will have the ability to view your donation history at any time through Planning Center.*

In order to have all of the current tax year 2020 in one place, we will be entering all donations received since Jan 1, 2020 into Planning Center. One feature that is unique to Planning Center is that an email confirmation for each donation you have made will be automatically sent to you. If you would prefer not to receive these email notifications, you may change your notifications in Church Center. As always, your contributions to Eden UCC and its many ministries are much appreciated. If you have any questions about using Planning Center for digital giving or about viewing your giving history, please contact our Associate Treasurer Jan Bass.

Census 2020: *From Mar 12 to May 12 our very own Cherryland Computer Café will serve as a designated Census Questionnaire Assistance Center. Please help the CCC meet its deliverables with the County by spreading the news that anyone can complete*

their Census form with us. Though **the CCC will be physically CLOSED until otherwise noted**, persons may email the CCC Director, Jonny Victorio at jonny@edenucc.com to complete their Census and still be eligible to be entered into a raffle to win a 4K TV!

Cherryland Computer Café Hours: Physical location CLOSED until otherwise noted, but persons may schedule online tutoring help via the [Facebook page](#).

Church Center: Church Center is now our centralized member and community tool for digital connection. If you have been checked into any event or service this month, you've already been using it. It's only a click away on our new websites home page and is available for download from the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play Store](#). Register with your mobile number, and request to join the groups that you are already a part of or that you want to be a part of. We are using this app for communications, check-ins, groups, forms, volunteer management, payments, etc. See Pastor Marvin for more details.

Comida Update: Comida para Cherryland is open for business in a modified format. Due to rapidly rising unemployment, we are currently serving more families than we ever have. Thank you to everyone who supports Comida para Cherryland with time, talent, and treasure. The average monthly grocery costs for Comida para Cherryland has increased by 40% because the number of clients that we are serving has increased by 40%. The direct costs for operating the Comida on a monthly basis are \$1570. These costs are solely supported by donations from members and friends (not the church's annual budget). Contributions may be [given online](#), via our Church app, or mailed to the church office: 21455 Birch Street, Hayward, CA, 94541. Please make checks payable to Eden United Church of Christ and note "Comida" on the envelope or check. For information about the budget, contact our Treasurer, [Rev. Rob Parrish](#). To discuss a financial contribution to the Comida, contact our Associate Treasurer, [Jan Bass](#). Questions about the church budget and your contributions may also be directed to our Senior Minister, [Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring](#).

Eden UCC Mobile Alerts: Be in the know wherever you go! Text "EdenUCC" to 33222 to opt into our text message service so that you can stay informed of important happenings as they occur on our campus and in our ministry together.

Also, text **COVID19** to **211211** to receive notifications directly from Alameda County Public Health Department during the Coronavirus Crisis.

SMALL GROUPS

[Meeting online until at least through May 9; after that TBD]

English Bible Study: Spring dates for English Bible Study are 1 pm and 7 pm on **Apr 6 & 20, and May 4 & 18, all online**. For more info, contact Dianne Dorn or Pastor Pepper.

Eden Crafters: Our weekly creative arts & crafts group will meet **online** this Tuesday, **Apr 7** at 10 am. If you'd like to join us by computer or by phone, contact Pastor Pepper.

Seekers Book Club: The Wednesday Seekers are reading **Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love**, an award-winning biography of a woman who discovers through DNA testing that her family has been keeping a vital secret from her for over 50 years. They usually meet Wednesday at 10 am in the Fireside Room but will meet online, at least through **May 6**.

English Learners: Normalmente nuestra clase de inglés se reúne a las 6 pm todos los **jueves** en la sala Jensen. Para los meses marzo, abril, y mayo vamos a continuar en línea por nuestra app de **duolingo**. Para más información contacte Pastor Marvin.

Spanish Learners: Our Spanish Learners for English speakers meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 6 pm in the Fireside Room. **For the rest of the term we will transition to a [digital Duolingo classroom](#)**. Participants will receive an email from the group this week for the how-to's going forward. For more information please contact Pastor Marvin and [join the group](#) on Church Center!

Spanish Language Bible Study: Normalmente se reúne a las 7 pm todos los **jueves** en la sala Jensen. Para los meses marzo, abril, y mayo vamos a continuar en línea, reuniendo a las 6pm. **Contacte Pastor Marvin para recibir el enlace.**

Gen-Z@EUCC: Our next Re-Group is **Apr 5**. Let's have a watch party! #NetflixandStill (Psalm 46:10)! Think of a good flick that we can view socially from a distance. Send your ideas to Pastor Marvin. #FaithandFilms #EUCC style. #responsibleradius #flattenthecurve

First Fridays: Are you a young-ish adult? Are you parents of little ones? Are you craving connection? Then contact Pastor Marvin to join our First Fridays group. Venues change, but this year, we're occasionally choosing kid-friendly places to also allow the little ones time to bond. Contact Pastor Marvin and [request to join](#) the group on Church Center. Event invites go out via the Church Center Group.

JOYS

For the resilience and cooperation of people that we are witnessing in the face of this global pandemic.

PRAYER CONCERNS

*For families in need of **affordable housing**. If you have a lead on a room, an apartment, or a house to rent, please contact Pastor Arlene.*

*For our **children and youth** as they adapt to new learning environments and especially for our high school and college seniors as they contemplate their next steps.*

*For all who are infected with and affected by **COVID-19**. May God grant us all peace and healing in these uncertain times.*

*For our **first responders, health care workers, and all other essential personnel** including those delivering groceries to the homebound and teaching children online.*

*For all our **homebound members and friends**.*

*For **leaders in our communities**, both local and national, to lead with integrity, siding with the most vulnerable.*

EDEN EN ESPAÑOL | LECTURA DE LA BIBLIA | MATEO 21.1-11

21 Cuando se acercaron a Jerusalén y llegaron a Betfagé, junto al monte de los Olivos, Jesús entonces envió a dos discípulos, 2 diciéndoles: Id a la aldea que está enfrente de vosotros, y enseguida encontraréis un asna atada y un pollino con ella; desatadla y traédme los. 3 Y si alguien os dice algo, decid: «El Señor los necesita»; y enseguida los enviará. 4 Esto sucedió para que se cumpliera lo dicho por medio del profeta, cuando dijo:

5 Decid a la hija de Sión:

«Mira, tu Rey viene a ti,
humilde y montado en un asna,
y en un pollino, hijo de bestia de carga».

6 Entonces fueron los discípulos e hicieron tal como Jesús les había mandado, 7 y trajeron el asna y el pollino; pusieron sobre ellos sus mantos, y Jesús se sentó encima.

8 La mayoría de la multitud tendió sus mantos en el camino; otros cortaban ramas de los árboles y las tendían por el camino. 9 Y las multitudes que iban delante de Él, y las que iban detrás, gritaban, diciendo:

¡Hosanna al Hijo de David!

¡Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor!

¡Hosanna en las alturas!

10 Cuando Él entró en Jerusalén, toda la ciudad se agitó, y decían: ¿Quién es este?

11 Y las multitudes contestaban: Este es el profeta Jesús, de Nazaret de Galilea.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, Apr 5 — Palm Sunday

10:00—10:30 am Worship | Video Link
11:00 — 12:00 pm Fellowship | Online
7:00 — 7:30 pm Sunday Storytime | Online

Monday, Apr 6

1:00 — 2:00 pm English Bible Study | Online
4:00 — 7:00 pm Cherryland Computer Café | Online
7:00 — 8:30 pm English Bible Study | Online

Tuesday, Apr 7

10:00 — 12:00 pm Eden Crafters | Online
4:00 — 7:00 pm Cherryland Computer Café | Online
7:00 — 9:00 pm Trustees Meeting | Online

Wednesday, Apr 8

10:00 — 11:30 pm Seekers Book Club | Online
1:30 — 2:30 pm Comida para Cherryland | OH Parking Lot
1:30 — 4:00 pm Cherryland Computer Café | Online

Thursday, Apr 9 — Maundy Thursday

6:00 — 7:00 pm English & Spanish Learners | Duolingo
6:00 — 8:00 pm Cherryland Computer Café | Online
7:00 — 8:00 pm Spanish Language Bible Study | FB Group
7:00 — 8:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship | Video Link

Friday, Apr 10 — Good Friday

6:00 — 7:00 pm Good Friday Worship | Online & [FB Event](#)

Sunday, Apr 12 — Easter Sunday

10:00—10:30 am Easter Worship & Easter Egg Hunt | Video Link
11:00 — 12:00 pm Fellowship | Online

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Apr 6 *English Bible Study*
Apr 7 *Trustees Meeting*
Apr 8 *Comida para Cherryland*
Apr 9 *Maundy Thursday Service*
Apr 10 *Good Friday Service*
Apr 12 *Easter Sunday & Easter Egg Hunt*
Apr 14 *Council Meeting*
Apr 20 *English Bible Study*
Apr 21 *EAF Board Meeting*



MISSION, VISION, & VALUES | What We Believe

MISSION STATEMENT | What are we about here and now?

The members of Eden Church worship God and strive to follow Christ's example by providing a welcoming and safe environment for all, seeking God's wisdom, growing spiritually, caring for each other, enriching our neighborhood, and sharing the good news of God's creative and unfolding work in the world.



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VISION STATEMENT | What do we want to become in the next 3 to 5 years?

The vision of Eden Church is to grow in spirit, fellowship, and number by offering many opportunities for spiritual growth; by becoming a more culturally diverse congregation; by strengthening our capacity to serve our neighbors, by caring for each other as Christ cares for us; by inviting others to be a part of our community of faith; and by working to transform individual lives and our community through the power of God's love in human action.

VALUES STATEMENTS | What are the ideals and behaviors that we need to express to fulfill our mission and realize our vision?

In order to fulfill our mission and realize our vision, Eden Church strives to embrace and express the following core values:

- Worship and spiritual practices that are both traditional and contemporary
- Religious education and spiritual practices that are grounded in a progressive theology
- Caring relationships that honor differences and foster unity and growth
- Enriching experiences for children and youth in our church and community
- Programs and partnerships that serve those in need while addressing the root causes of social problems
- Being a true sanctuary that nurtures and protects all participants, especially the most vulnerable among us

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