



Palm Sunday

Hosanna!

Blessed is He who comes
in the Name of the Lord,
even the King of Israel!

Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church
April 2, 2023

The Holy Week Experience

Palm Sunday

TODAY

Baptisms during service

Maundy Thursday

April 6 • 6:30PM

Good Friday

April 7 • 6:30PM/7:30PM

2- 1 hr sessions

Easter Breakfast

April 9 • 8:15AM-9:15AM

Easter Service

9:30AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY DINNER & SERVICE

April 6 • 6:30PM • LBAC Gymnasium

General Dinner Seating Tickets: \$20 each

Children's Tickets (in childcare): \$5 each

(children w/ general dinner ticket must remain w/ parents the entire time)

Sign up in the Courtyard TODAY (this is the last day)

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget %</u>
Weekly:	\$13,332.06	\$7,418.84	55.6%
Month-to-Date:	\$53,328.24	\$41,045.23	77.0%
Year-to-Date:	\$399,961.80	\$471,337.96	117.8%
Disbursed YTD:	\$385,530.17	GF Balance:	\$109,441.76

Offerings can be placed in the locked box in the Sanctuary Lobby or given to any usher



LBAC ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

APRIL 8, 2023 / 9-11 AM

WARDLOW PARK

3457 STANBRIDGE AVE, LONG BEACH

BOUNCE HOUSES / REFRESHMENTS

QUESTIONS??? MEGHAN BREARLEY

562.708.9261

ALLIANCE YOUTH

ONLINE SILENT AUCTION



HELP SEND KIDS TO CAMP!
WE ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING
SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS.
IF YOU HAVE AN ITEM OR SERVICE
TO DONATE OR KNOW OF A
COMPANY THAT MIGHT BE WILLING
TO PARTICIPATE, BRING ITEMS
TO THE CHURCH OFFICE OR
CONTACT MEGHAN BREARLEY
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WAYS YOU CAN PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH

as inspired by Marilyn Miller

The Bible says in Hebrews 13:18: "Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience desiring to act honorable in all things."

Pastors/Staff

Pastors: We need to pray for Pastor Chris, Pastor Scott, Meghan, and the rest of the LBAC Staff

Pray for the Staff meetings Tuesdays at 10:00AM each week

LBAC Boards

Elders: Pray for wisdom in God's leading them in the spiritual direction of our church

Pray for the Elders' meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month

Governing Board: Pray for wisdom in God's leading them in the business aspect of our church

Pray for the Governing Board meetings on the second Tuesday of each month

Deacons/Deaconess Boards: Pray for God to continue to show them ways to serve the church and its people

Trustee Board: Pray for the direction and assistance of those on this board as they look into the care of the physical buildings here at church

Here are some of the programs in our church that we should pray for and encourage:

Bible Studies

Life Groups meeting Monday nights at 6:30PM and 7:00PM

Men studying Luke Tuesdays at 7:00PM each week at Dave Miller's home

Ladies studying Joseph Thursday mornings at 9:30AM at Marilyn Miller's home

Men's Zoom Bible Study Saturday mornings at 8:00AM

Young Mothers "Mama Group" (with babies and small children) the fourth Wednesday of each month at Marikka Ostermann's home

Young Marrieds Group

LBAC Ministries

Youth Ministries

- High School- Tuesdays at 7PM each week
- Middle School- Thursdays at 7PM each week
- Pray for a new Youth Director- Jeremiah & Carissa Holden and Jessalyn Lankford have been filling in and leading the groups in the interim

Children's Ministries

- Gospel Project- Sundays at 9:30AM
- Nursery- Pray for the workers and the little ones

AWANA- Wednesdays 6:30PM during the school year

Women's Ministry

- Crafty Women
- Women Connecting with Missions
- Various events

English Café Ministry- Wednesdays at 3:00PM teaching English to immigrants

Men's Ministry- Breakfast every two months (next one is in May)

Care Groups

Pure Desire

- Mondays and Tuesday nights
- Sexual Integrity 101 Class Sundays at 11:15AM

SIA Monday nights

NA Friday nights

Other ministries supported by the church and also those who use our facilities for their programs

Worship and Celebration Service- Sundays, 9:30AM

Encourage each other, Colossians 2:2: "...that their hearts may be encouraged, as they are knit together in love, to have all the riches of assured understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery of Christ."

TRIUMPHANT TRAGEDY

LONG BEACH ALLIANCE CHURCH • APRIL 2, 2023 • PALM SUNDAY • PASTOR CHRIS LANKFORD

1) *The Triumphant Welcome of the King*

(Matthew 21:1-9; Mark 11:1-10; Luke 19:28-40; John 12:12-19)

The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Blessed is the king of Israel!”

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: “Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.”

At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.

Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word. Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him. So the Pharisees said to one another, “See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!”

John 12:12-19

**This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Save us **[Hosanna!]**, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

· Psalm 118:24-26

**Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall speak peace to the nations;
his rule shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.**

· Zechariah 9:9-10

2) The Great Tragedy of the King's Triumph (John 12:16-19, cf. John 11:1-12:11)

[After Jesus had resurrected Lazarus...]

**So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the council and said,
“What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. If we let him go on like
this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and
take away both our place and our nation.”**

**But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said, “You know nothing
at all. Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for
the people, not that the whole nation should perish.”**

· John 11:47-50

So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.” Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.

And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified...” And what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour? But for this purpose I have come to this hour.”

· John 12:20-23 & 27

Pilate went outside to them and said, “What accusation do you bring against this man?” They answered him, “If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you.”

So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?”

· John 18:29-30 & 33

Pilate said to them, “Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?” They all said, “Let him be crucified!” And he said, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Let him be crucified!”

· Matthew 27:22-23

3) A Triumphant Living King Overcomes Our Tragedy (2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Ephesians 2:8-10; Romans 6:3-11)

Don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his.

· Romans 6:3-5

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast.

· Ephesians 2:8-9

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

· 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

**TEMPORARILY
CLOSED**

**The Church Office
will be closed**

April 10-12

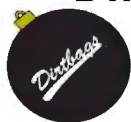
*If urgent, please contact the
staff on their cell phones*

Dirtbags

**LONG BEACH
ALLIANCE CHURCH
FUNDRAISER**

**TO PURCHASE TICKETS, PLEASE VISIT:
WWW.LONGBEACHSTATE.COM/LBALLIANCE**

**DIRTBAGS ORNAMENT
GIVEAWAY**



Dirtbags vs.



SUN. | APR. 16

1:00 PM

**BOHL DIAMOND
AT BLAIR FIELD**

**TICKETS
ARE \$12 EACH!**

**\$5 OF SALES GO BACK
TO LONG BEACH ALLIANCE!**



LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, April 2

- 8:45AM Prayer Time, Rm 106
- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 11:30AM Youth Candidate/Parent Meet n Greet

Monday, April 3

- 7:00PM Betrayal & Beyond Zoom Meeting
- 7:00PM Pure Desire Ministry Meeting
- 7:00PM Survivors of Incest Anonymous Mtg

Tuesday, April 4

- 10:00AM Staff Team Meeting
- 7:00PM Betrayed Heart Zoom Meeting
- 7:00PM Combined Youth Group w/Candidate
- 7:00PM Men's Bible Study (offsite)

Wednesday, April 5

- 3:00PM English Cafe Ministry
- 6:00PM Elders/GB with Youth Candidate

Thursday, April 6

- 9:30AM Women's Life Group @ Millers
- 6:30PM Maundy Thursday Dinner & Service

Friday, April 7

- 6:30PM Good Friday Prayer Vigil
(2 1-hr Sessions)
- 8:00PM NA In-Person Meeting

Saturday, April 8

- 8:00AM Men's In-Person/Zoom Bible Study
- 9:00AM Easter Egg Hunt
- 12:00PM Elder, GB, Staff, Search Comm Mtg

Sunday, April 9

- 8:15AM Easter Breakfast
- 9:30AM Gospel Project: Children's Ministry
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service

MISSIONS

[Information Coming Soon!](#)

LIFE GROUPS

[Contact: office@lbac.org](mailto:office@lbac.org)
Mid-week Adult Bible Studies

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Children's Ministries!](#)

Sunday Mornings:

Gospel Project @ 9:30AM

AWANA

[Link to LBAC AWANA](#)

Wednesday Nights September-May

YOUTH MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Youth Ministries!](#)

[Link to LBAC Youth Instagram Page](#)

Every Tuesday & Thursday Night @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Women's Ministry!](#)

Women's Ministry Event Information

[Contact: office@lbac.org](mailto:office@lbac.org)

Lydia House Meals Ministry

3rd Thursday each month

Women Connecting with Missions

Contact Kathie Metz: kathiemetz@msn.com

Crafty Women

3rd Saturday each month @ 10:00AM

MEN'S MINISTRIES

[Link to LBAC Men's Ministry!](#)

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