



PASS-A-GRILLE BEACH COMMUNITY CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST




Palm Sunday

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.

April 13, 2025

8:30 am

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Angela Wells-Bean

CALL TO WORSHIP

Cindy Petersen

Leader: Today, O God, we have cheered you on as our champion and hailed you as our hero.

Congregation: Forgive us tomorrow when our enthusiasm wanes.

Leader: Today we have entrusted you to help us from our difficult circumstances.

Congregation: Forgive us on Tuesday when we decide we can take care of ourselves.

Leader: Today we have made you the centerpiece of our very existence.

Congregation: Forgive us on Wednesday when we forget to remember who you are.

Leader: Today we have loudly called out to you by name.

Congregation: Forgive us on Thursday when we pretend that we’ve never met you.

Leader: Today we have stared at you with the star struck eyes of fans and groupies.

Congregation: Forgive us on Friday when we avert our eyes because it’s too painful to see you on the cross.

Leader: Today we have expressed our unsuppressed hopefulness in the future you have in store for us.

Congregation: Forgive us on Saturday when we believe all is lost.

Leader: Today we have been boldly certain of the earthly ways you will redeem us.

Congregation: Restore us on Sunday when we are startled and awed by your rising.

Leader: May our worship this morning remind us to keep you, O God, in the forefront of our hearts and minds throughout this next week.

OPENING SONG

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Cindy Petersen

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIFT OF MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

Luke 19: 28-40

After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, “Why are you untying it?” just say this: “The Lord needs it.” ’ So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, ‘Why are you untying the colt?’ They said, ‘The Lord needs it.’ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, ‘Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!’ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, order your disciples to stop.’ He answered, ‘I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.’

About Our Church

Pass-A-Grille Beach Community Church, United Church of Christ was founded in 1911.

We are proud to be one of the 4,500 congregations in the United Church of Christ denomination.

We are an Open and Affirming Congregation which means that we welcome all persons into full membership and participation in the body of Christ, providing a safe welcome for a diverse people, including the full inclusion of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and non-binary persons (LBGTQ) in the church’s life and ministry.

Our Mission Statement: As a diverse community of faith, we encourage people to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; live with Christian values;

and share God’s love by showing compassion and generosity for all communities.

No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey you are welcome here.

For Newcomers

We are so glad you are here, thank you for joining us! If you’d like to learn more about the church, you’re welcome to get together with Pastor Angela by emailing her at SeniorPastor@PAGChurch.org.

If you’d like to be added to our church mailing list, please contact our Church Administrator, Stacey Jackson at Admin@PAGChurch.org. We have opportunities to become a member of the church throughout the year. Please see our announcements or e-blast for more information.

Children and Youth

After the Children's Time, children ages three through fifth grade are invited to go to Faith Formation.

We also have youth groups for middle and high schoolers. They meet on Sunday evenings at 6 PM from September through May (except for the first Sunday of the month, which meets at 11 AM). All children

and youth are welcome to be part of our ministries here at PAGBCC! Our Associates for Children and Youth are Signe and Todd Webb. Please contact them with any questions at signewebb@yahoo.com.

Rev. Angela Wells-Bean, Senior Pastor • seniorpastor@pagchurch.org

Signe and Todd Webb, Associates for Children and Youth Ministries • signewebb@yahoo.com

Dale Williams, Choir Director and Organist/Pianist (10:00 Service) • dalewilliams@tampabay.rr.com

Winston Culler, Music Leader (8:30 Service)

Stacey Jackson, Office Administrator • admin@pagchurch.org

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Rock and Roll Stewardship Campaign Update

The Rock and Roll Stewardship Campaign for 2025-2026 fiscal year has received pledges for \$70,000 more than our pledges for 2024-2025 and 21 new individuals/families have pledged! Congratulations, wonderful progress! We encourage everyone who has not pledged to fill out the pledge card you received in the mail, there are pledge cards available Sunday mornings or you can fill out the form online.

We need everyone to pledge to enable the church to meet our financial goals for 2025-2026. Thank you!

	Number of Pledges	Total Pledged Amount
2025-2026 (as of 4/9/25)	87	\$434,335.00
2024-2025	94	\$362,376.76
2023-2024	44	\$174,479.96

Associate Pastor Search Committee

In order to continue to offer clergy support to our church’s many ministries, the Church Council has approved the search for an Associate Pastor. Members interested in serving on the search committee for an Associate Pastor, please contact John England at jangleterre@icloud.com.

New Members Joining

Our next Joining Sunday will be held at the 8:30 am and the 10:00 am services on Sunday, April 27th. If you are interested in learning more about PAGBCC or the process of becoming a member, please contact Donna DeSpain, Membership Coordinator, at ddeSpain35@gmail.com or 630-740-6081.

Book Club

All are welcome to join us on May 6 at 12:30 pm, when we’ll discuss *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lahon.

Men’s Prayer Breakfast

Our men’s group meets Tuesdays at 8 am in Fellowship Hall.
For more info, please contact Bob Goecker at rgoecker@gmail.com.

Women on a Faith Journey

Our women’s group will meet April 17, and May 1 and 15 at 9:30 am.
For more info, please contact Cindy Petersen at danep3@verizon.net.

Ukulele Group

Uke Kooks is made up of anyone who wants to play their ukulele and sing fun songs. We meet most Thursdays at 1 pm in Fellowship Hall. Beginners are welcome. Contact Jo Small at josmall22319@gmail.com for more info.

SERMON

“Donkeys or Horses?”

Rev. Angela Wells-Bean

MUSICAL REFLECTION

COMMUNION

The sacrament will be offered via gluten-free, self-serve packets.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

You can give a donation via Venmo to (727) 200 – 2785 or by scanning the QR code below.



PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG

PRAYER LIST

J.D. Burns, Marge Davis, Betty Houlton, Ralph Johnson, Penny Lee,
Rev. Victoria Long, Judi Oliver, Susie Williams, Diana Yohn, and our servicemen and women

NEXT WEEK'S
MINISTRY EVENTS

To learn more about any of these ministries, please contact our Church Administrator, Stacey Jackson, at admin@pagchurch.org.

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TUESDAY

8am: Men's Prayer Breakfast

9am: Piecemakers Quilting Group

9am-12pm: Thrift Shop Open!

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WEDNESDAY

5:30pm: Handbells Rehearsal

7pm: Choir Rehearsal

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THURSDAY

9am-12pm: Thrift Shop Open!

9:30am: WOFJ

- No Uke Kooks today -

7pm: Maundy Thursday Service

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SATURDAY

9am: Easter Egg Hunt

Montessori by the Sea playground
All kids up to 5th grade invited!

9am: Cross Decorating

9am-12pm: Thrift Shop Open!

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

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MAUNDY THURSDAY
7pm service

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EASTER EGG HUNT
9am at Montessori by the Sea
playground. All kids up to
5th grade invited!

CROSS DECORATING
9am Preparation of the Easter flower
cross will be held in the church
parking lot. All are welcome.
If you are able, please bring a
clipper to assist in cutting stems.

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EASTER SUNDAY
Sunrise Service at 6:30am
Pass-A-Grille Way and 10th Ave.
8:30am Service: Church Pavilion
10:00am Service: Sanctuary

We are looking for early riser volunteers to set up chairs (5 am) and/or usher (6 am) at our 84th annual Easter Sunrise Service.

To lend a hand, please contact Robert "Hobie" Clark
at hobartclark@gmail.com.

MEET & GREET

PROSPECTIVE CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

TODAY!

Come get to know the prospective Church Council members, to be voted on at our upcoming Congregational Meeting!

We'll have informal sessions after both services. Introduce yourself, ask questions, and share your church history. Also, be sure to thank them for their willingness to serve!



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY APRIL 27TH

Our Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, April 27, following the 10 am service, and after greeting the new members joining that day. The purpose of this meeting (which we hold annually) is to elect a slate of officers for the upcoming church year, and to approve the preliminary budget for the upcoming fiscal year. We encourage you to attend this important gathering in the life of our church.