

**And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.**

**When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, “Why are you untying it?” you shall say this: “The Lord has need of it.”**

**So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?”**

**And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.**

Luke 19:28-35 (ESV)

“The Lord has need of it,” and with that the owners let their ass go with the disciples. No follow-up questions like, “What does he need it for,” or “When do you think you’ll bring it back?” No, they simply handed over the keys to the new car; knowing that the Lord needed it was all they needed to know. If it had been your new donkey/car, would you have let them take it?

“The Lord has need of it,” what a different way of thinking, of doing life. If we are honest, the Lord’s needs are not where we usually start. When was the last time you turned off your alarm clock, sat up in bed, and started your morning routine praying, “Lord, what do you need from me today?” We’re much better at being in tune with our needs. Try this, get a sheet of paper, on one side list your needs and needs of people you care about, then flip it over and list what God needs from you. Which of those two lists was more difficult for you? Yup, me too.

You’ve got to love the responsiveness of those donkey owners, I do. They exemplify what I want my relationship with God to be like and look like. No hesitation, no getting bogged down in a morass of what ifs and buts, no spike in anxiety, just an immediate, “Oh, okay then.”

What undergirded and enabled the donkey owners’ responsiveness?

- “The Lord.” They understood the Lordship, the sovereignty of

Christ, of God. Although the donkey/car was registered in their name it ultimately belonged to God. Christ isn’t just Lord over some things, but all things, including me and all my things. It is easy to proclaim Christ as the King, it is quite another to practically acknowledge his rule over all of my donkeys.

- “Has need of it.” Jesus had already determined what he would be doing that day, namely, riding into Jerusalem on a donkey in fulfillment of the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9, **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** (ESV), and the eternal plan of God. That donkey was needed for carrying out God’s will, in surrendering it the owners embraced the will of God, and lived out the prayer, **“Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven”** Matthew 6:10.
- Simplicity. Have you ever heard somebody say, “It’s complicated,” or “They have a complicated relationship”? Granted, some things in life are complicated, but our relationship with God, with Christ, shouldn’t be one of them. **“Truly, I say to you, unless you turn/change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven”** Matthew 18:3 (ESV, italics mine) is what Jesus told his jockeying-for-greatness disciples. Think about it, in heaven, how complicated is our relationship with Christ going to be? I wonder, how much more of God’s will would be done if we practiced more of the donkey owner simplicity? “The Lord has need of it,” how much more do we need to know in order to respond?

What is the Lord requesting from you? Simply and quickly respond.

To God be all glory. Love you, Pastor Hans



# Lord Hear Our Prayers

## PRAYER REQUEST

Mixsooke family (friends of Noah Martin), Gary (brother in-law of Karen), Rachel's Health, our Country's leadership, and those dealing with addiction(s).

## SALVATION

Nick, Greg, David, Luke, Skip, Demetrius McCray, Farney, Peter, Jimmy, Dan, Josiah, Amanda, Jim

## Military And Those Serving

Michael Berger, Austin Downing, Noah Martin, John Michael Chavez, Chris Kelly, Austin Kroeker, Brian Sula, Thomas Hoffman, Joel Thelen, Clayton Brown, Jonathan Grinols, Joshua Grabowski, Christopher Sula, Dylan Briggs, Jacob Bowden

## CARD & FLOWER MINISTRY

If you know of anyone who is ill or hospitalized, please let us know by calling: **Lynnette Barrera** – (559)400-1862 and/or e-mail **Judy Mahar** at [ldpbcprayer@gmail.com](mailto:ldpbcprayer@gmail.com) with your prayer requests.

## Church Board Members:

Hans Frei - Pastor , Richard Mayes - Head Deacon ,  
Chuck Arndt, Barb Deibler, Jerry Lyman,  
Sarah Storey, April Wilcox



## VBS: Magnified!

Coming to Lake Don Pedro Baptist Church

**July 21 - 25**

Volunteers needed!

Please sign up in the foyer

For more information: Susie (209) 247-9234

# March Announcements

## Upcoming Events

- Men's Gathering - Tuesday's @ 6:00 PM
- Wednesday Night Bible Study for all ages @ 7:00 PM
- Food Ministry - 1st Wednesday & 3rd Tuesday 9-11 AM
- Women's Ministry - Wednesday's @ 10:00AM
- GriefShare: Wednesday's, March 5th - April 23rd @ 6:30 PM
- Chicken Foot - Thursday's @ 1:00 PM
- Bunco: Monday, April 13th @11:30 AM

Fellowship Refreshments were provided by:  
"Beverley's *Class & The Youth*"

**Thank you**

*Next week "Merle's" class is up!!*

**"2025 Tanzania Mission Trip"**

November 2nd - 18th

(See Pastor Hans for further details)

Don't forget to **check out the sermon on our website:**  
**ldpbaptistchurch.com** for you and your whole family.

Maybe even a neighbor ; )



**Giving**

*March 9, 2025*

**Offering:**  
\$2,746.00

**Facilities:**  
\$.00

**Food:**  
\$10.00

**Books:**  
\$10.00

**GriefShare:**  
\$91.00

**Attendance:**  
78

**Weekly Events**

**Sunday School/Small Groups:**  
9:00 AM

**Sunday Morning Worship Service:**  
10:30 AM

**Sunday Evening Worship Service:**  
6:00 PM

**Tuesday:** Men's Gathering: 6:00 PM

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**Saturday:** Youth Hang-Out 6-9 PM

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# Give

Give, and it will be given to you; a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, and running over—will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.”

Luke 6:38 (NIV)



**Yearly Bible Reading Plan - 2025**  
**March 17th - March 23rd**

DAY 1 - Amos 8-9  
(Prov. 17)

DAY 2 - Amos 10-11  
(Prov. 18)

DAY 3 - Amos 12-13  
(Prov. 19)

DAY 4 - Jona. 1-2  
(Prov. 20)

DAY 5 - Jona 3-4  
(Prov. 21)

DAY 6 - (Prov. 22)  
DAY 7 - (Prov. 23)

**Welcome all of you who are guests with us today. Our desire is for you to relax and be blessed by worship, God's Word, and fellowship. We, the members, have committed ourselves to underwrite the church financially. We do not expect you to contribute to the offering, but you are free to participate. We would like to get to know you and for you to know us better.**