

**The purpose of our Community is  
“Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ”.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Invocation**

*Every worship service opens by invoking the name, the presence, and the power of the one true God, the God in whose name and by whose power we became members of the Holy Christian Church in our Baptism.*

(Pastor) In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**(Everyone) Amen.**

**Prayer of Confession of Sin**

*We pray to confess our sin to God and ask His forgiveness to remain humble before Him.*

**(Everyone) Gracious Heavenly Father, once again we come before You in confession of our sins. We sought only to serve You in faith this past week, but we failed to follow Your will and instead went our own selfish way. We realize that we are poor sinners in desperate need of Your mercy and grace. Please forgive our many sins for Jesus' sake, as we look to His suffering and death for mercy and pardon. Give us the strength and spiritual stamina to follow Your guidance in our lives, as we plead the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ for forgiveness. In His Name. Amen.**

**Declaration of Grace**

*We remember the Good News that God forgives our sin because of Jesus.*

(Pastor) If this be your sincere confession, and if with contrite hearts you earnestly desire the forgiveness of your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, God, according to His promise, pardons the sins of the penitent in faith. Thus, by the authority of God's Word and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare to you that God, through His grace, has forgiven all your sins' in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Hymn of the Day**

*Pianist: Aretta Engelhardt*

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty # 8*

**Children's Sermonette**

**Pastor Robert McDonald**

**“Choosing is hard!”**

*Children are now dismissed for Sunday School in the Preschool.*

## We Worship Through Our Giving

*We express our gratitude to God as we give to support the work of the church so that more people may hear the Good News about Jesus.*

*Please ask an usher if you need an envelope.*

*You can also give online via PayPal at our website [cloceanside.com](http://cloceanside.com) anytime, or use a credit card to donate after the worship service. Just see an usher for assistance.*

Please remember to place  
Connection Card in  
the Offering Plate.

## We Worship Through Speaking and Hearing the Word of God

*We read the Word of God to strengthen, encourage, and challenge us for the week ahead.*

### *New Testament Lesson for the day*

*Acts 1:12-26*

<sup>12</sup> Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, a distance of half a mile. <sup>13</sup> When they arrived, they went to the upstairs room of the house where they were staying. Here are the names of those who were present: Peter, John, James, Andrew, Philip, Thomas, Bartholomew, Matthew, James (son of Alphaeus), Simon (the Zealot), and Judas (son of James). <sup>14</sup> They all met together and were constantly united in prayer, along with Mary the mother of Jesus, several other women, and the brothers of Jesus.

<sup>15</sup> During this time, when about 120 believers were together in one place, Peter stood up and addressed them. <sup>16</sup> “Brothers,” he said, “the Scriptures had to be fulfilled concerning Judas, who guided those who arrested Jesus. This was predicted long ago by the Holy Spirit, speaking through King David. <sup>17</sup> Judas was one of us and shared in the ministry with us.” <sup>18</sup> (Judas had bought a field with the money he received for his treachery. Falling headfirst there, his body split open, spilling out all his intestines. <sup>19</sup> The news of his death spread to all the people of Jerusalem, and they gave the place the Aramaic name *Akeldama*, which means “Field of Blood.”) <sup>20</sup> Peter continued, “This was written in the book of Psalms, where it says, ‘Let his home become desolate, with no one living in it.’ It also says, ‘Let someone else take his position.’ <sup>21</sup> “So now we must choose a replacement for Judas from among the men who were with us the entire time we were traveling with the Lord Jesus— <sup>22</sup> from the time he was baptized by John until the day he was taken from us. Whoever is chosen will join us as a witness of Jesus’ resurrection.”

<sup>23</sup> So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. <sup>24</sup> Then they all prayed, “O Lord, you know every heart. Show us which of these men you have chosen <sup>25</sup> as an apostle to replace Judas in this ministry, for he has deserted us and gone where he belongs.” <sup>26</sup> Then they cast lots, and Matthias was selected to become an apostle with the other eleven.

### *Epistle*

*1 John 5:9-15*

<sup>9</sup> Since we believe human testimony, surely we can believe the greater testimony that comes from God. And God has testified about his Son. <sup>10</sup> All who believe in the Son of God know in their hearts that this testimony is true. Those who don’t believe this are actually calling God a liar because they don’t believe what God has testified about his Son. <sup>11</sup> And this is what God has testified: He has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup> Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God’s Son does not have life. <sup>13</sup> I have written this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know you have eternal life. <sup>14</sup> And we are confident that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him. <sup>15</sup> And since we know he hears us when we make our requests, we also know that he will give us what we ask for.

(Please stand)

### *Gospel Reading*

*John 17:11b-19*

<sup>11b</sup> Holy Father, you have given me your name; now protect them by the power of your name so that they will be united just as we are. <sup>12</sup> During my time here, I protected them by the power of the name you gave me. I guarded them so that not one was lost, except the one headed for destruction, as the Scriptures foretold. <sup>13</sup> “Now I am coming to you. I told them many things while I was with them in this world so they would be filled with my joy. <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word. And the world hates them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup> I’m not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They do not belong to this world any more than I do. <sup>17</sup> Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth. <sup>18</sup> Just as you sent me into the world, I am sending them into the world. <sup>19</sup> And I give myself as a holy sacrifice for them so they can be made holy by your truth.

## We Respond to God’s Word by Confessing Our Faith

*As we recite together the words of the Apostles’ Creed, we join the worldwide chorus of followers of Jesus, who, for centuries, have confessed their faith through this simple declaration.*

**(Everyone) I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.**

**Sermon Hymn**

*Onward, Christian Soldiers # 479*

**Sermon**

**Pastor Robert McDonald**

**“The choosing of an apostle”**

**Acts 1:22**

**General Prayer**

**Communion Hymn**

*O, How I Love Jesus # 529*

**We Worship at the table of the Lord’s Supper**

*Communion — If you prefer grape juice instead of wine, please hold up 2 fingers when you reach the person with the cups.*

*Everyone who confesses Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior is welcome and invited to join us. Together we receive anew the love and grace that God pours out to us through the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. Come hold in your hands and taste on your lips the love He poured out for you.*

Pastor: The Words of Our Lord...(Consecration of the Elements)

**All: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever and ever. AMEN!**

Distribution

**Benediction**

*A blessing we receive to send us out into the world once again.*

**Sending Hymn**

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us # 462*

**Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!**

**(Everyone) Thanks be to God !**

**Message Notes:**

Five horizontal lines for writing message notes.

**Mark Your Calendars!**

May 27, “Fourth Wednesday” Preschool Graduation -- At church at 6:00 to 7:00 pm. This will be the last one until September. Come celebrate with our preschoolers who will be going to kindergarten in the fall!

June 6, Saturday, Women’s Bible Study -- At church from 10 am to 11:00 am. We are continuing the Women of the Bible series with “Deborah—Daring to Be Different for God.” Session Three: The Need to Lead—Stepping out when others won’t.

June 6, Saturday — VBS Planning Meeting -- At church at 11 am.

June 14, Second Sunday -- Our Preschool kids will sing during worship service. There will be a potluck lunch on the patio following worship service.

June 20, Saturday -- Free Food Distribution--At church from 9:30 to 10:30 am. If you know of someone who could benefit from the free food distribution, please let them know. Please come and lend a hand with handing out food to those in need. If you can help with set-up, please come at 8:30 am. If you can come later and stay until about 11:00 am to help with putting away leftover food, tables and chairs, your help will be greatly appreciated. Join us in thanking God for the continuation of this ministry!

July 13-17 VBS: “Camp Discovery—Jesus at Work Through Us” -- We need your help. See Sandy if you are able to help during this week.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the free food distribution yesterday. Once again we were able to serve the families in our community who need a little help.

**May Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Here at Community we celebrate our birthdays/anniversaries each second Sunday of the month. If your birthday is this month, and your name is not on this list, please put a note in the offering plate so we can include yours!

(PS) after the name denotes one of our Preschoolers' birthday.

**Birthdays**

6th—Della Welemirov, Brady Persky 11th—Tiny Futrell 12th—Joanne Thompson  
14th—Jeff Herrington 21st—Jaden Eilers 23rd—Alli Taylor

**Anniversaries**

3rd—Bob & Sharlene Miller

## Items for Today:

*If you would like to use your credit card to make an offering today, see one of the ushers.*

### Activity Items

These are available for younger children during the service. Ask an usher for assistance.

**Childcare Options:** Parents...Our goal is to provide an environment in which everyone can worship and experience God's presence. Therefore, children of all ages are welcome to remain in the service. For the convenience of the parents, we provide childcare for children 4 years old and under who become restless. The ushers are available to assist you in locating the teacher and/or the nursery. There they will learn about God and engage in Christ-centered activities.

## Things going on during the week:

**Monday—Little Blessings Christian Preschool:** Theme: "Tadpoles to Frogs," Letters: "Tt & Pp," Bible lesson: "Paul's Conversion."

**Tuesday (2nd & 4th)--Kinship Group:** At church from 5:30—8:00 pm. This is a support group for grandparents who are helping to raise their grandkids.

**Wednesday—Potluck Dinner followed by Bible Study:** Dinner starts at 6:15 pm. On May 20th and June 3rd, we will be watching a live streaming from Calvary Vista about current events and how they coincide with prophecies outlined in the Bible. It's an in-depth glimpse of What in the world is going on.

**Thursday--Youth Group Meeting:** At "The Shack" from 6:30 - 8 pm. Please pray that we will be able to reach the youth of our community.

## Prayer Chain Requests

In order for us to be sensitive to everyone's needs regarding prayer requests, please mark the Connection Card very clearly as to whether you want our prayer chain to pray for you or if it is something you want kept private between you and Pastor. Our prayer chain encompasses a large percentage of our members. We will try calling/emailing if we are unsure how you want your request handled.

## Community Lutheran Church

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### Church Office

Office Hours:

(760) 722-3337

**Tuesdays & Thursdays  
& Saturdays**

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Sandy Dahl, Church Secretary

sandy@cloceanside.com

### Little Blessings Christian Preschool

(760) 722-1705

Preschool Hours:

**Monday – Friday** 7:00 am to 6:00 pm

Kristen Erwin, Preschool Director

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## Weekly Schedule:

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship Service &amp; Sunday School</b>
	<b>11:15 am</b>	<b>Community Fellowship Time</b> <i>Refreshments in the Courtyard</i>
<b>Second Sunday</b>		<b>Preschool Kids Sing during Worship, Potluck Lunch following Worship</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>6:15 pm</b>	<b>Mid-Week Service/Event—6:15 Dinner and Event</b>
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Be Our Guest—Dinner for the Preschool Families</b> <i>Every 4th Wednesday</i>
<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Free Food Distribution</b> <i>Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday morning from 9:30—10:30 am</i>
	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Women's Bible Study</b> <i>The <u>First</u> Saturday of each month.</i>

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