

## **Community Lutheran Church**

## **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.

(Worship Leader) 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, we come before You today to confess our sins and acknowledge our faults. We realize that we have sinned in weakness this past week and have not always done Your will for our lives. We have given in to temptation and are frustrated by our repetitive sins. Therefore, we come before You in repentance and humility, and seek Your pardon for the sake of Your Son's suffering and death at Calvary. Please forgive our sins for Jesus' sake, and renew us by Your Holy Spirit so that we might serve our Savior with great joy and peace in our lives. In Jesus' name. Amen.

## **Declaration of Grace**

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

(Pastor) It is appropriate that we make confession of our sins, acknowledging our need for God's grace. The Scriptures assure us that if we confess in faith, our Heavenly Father will forgive us our sins for the sake of Christ's suffering and death. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of God, I announce the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Hymn of the Day

Pianist: Shirlene Everhart

#### Children's Sermonette

<u>"Look at me!"</u>

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 anytime, or use a credit card to donate after the worship service. Just see an usher for assistance.

## 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.

#### Old Testament Lesson for the day

Genesis 9:1-7

<sup>1</sup> Then God blessed Noah and his sons and told them, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth. <sup>2</sup> All the animals of the earth, all the birds of the sky, all the small animals that scurry along the ground, and all the fish in the sea will look on you with fear and terror. I have placed them in your power. <sup>3</sup> I have given them to you for food, just as I have given you grain and vegetables. <sup>4</sup> But you must never eat any meat that still has the lifeblood in it. <sup>5</sup> "And I will require the blood of anyone who takes another person's life. If a wild animal kills a person, it must die. And anyone who murders a fellow human must die. <sup>6</sup> If anyone takes a human life, that person's life will also be taken by human hands. For God made human beings in his own image. <sup>7</sup> Now be fruitful and multiply, and repopulate the earth."

#### Epistle

Ephesians 3:14-21

<sup>14</sup>When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, <sup>15</sup>the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. <sup>16</sup>I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. <sup>17</sup>Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. <sup>18</sup>And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. <sup>19</sup>May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with

all the fullness of life and power that comes from God. <sup>20</sup> Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. <sup>21</sup> Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen.

(Please stand)

### Gospel Reading

Luke 18:9-14

<sup>9</sup> Then Jesus told this story to some who had great confidence in their own righteousness and scorned everyone else: <sup>10</sup> "Two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, and the other was a despised tax collector. <sup>11</sup> The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed this prayer: 'I thank you, God, that I am not a sinner like everyone else. For I don't cheat, I don't sin, and I don't commit adultery. I'm certainly not like that tax collector! <sup>12</sup> I fast twice a week, and I give you a tenth of my income.' <sup>13</sup> "But the tax collector stood at a distance and dared not even lift his eyes to heaven as he prayed. Instead, he beat his chest in sorrow, saying, 'O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner.' <sup>14</sup> I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, returned home justified before God. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

## 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.

<u>Sermon Hymn</u>

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord #280

<u>Sermon</u>

**Pastor Robert McDonald** 

"True repentance, in Christ!" Luke 18:10

How Great Thou Art #4

Pastor Robert McDonald

## General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

(Everyone) 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!

#### **Benediction**

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

#### Sending Hymn

**Message Notes:** 

What a Friend We Have in Jesus #435

### Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!

(Everyone) Thanks be to God !

## Mark Your Calendars!

<u>August 1, Saturday, Women's Bible Study</u> -- 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 Four: The Big Chance — Recognizing when the time is right.

<u>August 9, Second Sunday</u> -- Our Preschool kids will be singing during worship service. There will be a potluck lunch on the patio following worship service.

<u>August 15, Saturday -- Free Food Distribution</u>--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 left-over food, tables and chairs, your help will be greatly appreciated. Join us in thanking God for the continuation of this ministry!

# July / August 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.

#### <u>Birthdays</u>

July 13th—Billy Taylor, Hayley Taylor 15th—Sandy Dahl 18th—Monica Herrington August 13th—Blade Vanderniet (PS) 22nd—Duane Ericson 27th—Lee Dahl

#### <u>Anniversaries</u>

July 28th—Kristen and Gene Erwin

# Items for Today:

#### 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: "Ocean Life," Letters: "Vv, Kk & #8." Bible lesson: "The Great Catch of Fish."

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. Bible Study starts at 7:00 pm

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.

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& Saturdays

**Church Office** Office Hours: Sandy Dahl, Church Secretary

(760) 722-3337 **Tuesdays & Thursdays** sandy@cloceanside.com

1:00 pm - 6:00 pm 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Little Blessings Christian Preschool (760) 722-1705 Monday – Friday 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Preschool Hours: Kristen Erwin, Preschool Director

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#### Weekly Schedule:

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

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