

# Hope



## Welcome and Announcements

### Advent Video

### 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) Heavenly Father, as today we contemplate the Second Coming of Your Son to earth, we realize that our own lives have been a journey in which we have given all praise and glory to Christ Jesus. Yet, we also know that we have often transgressed Your will and fallen in weakness. We have sinned in thought, word and deed. Our language has not always been appropriate, nor have our thoughts always been pure. For all these sins we come now in confession, and humbly seek Your pardon and mercy. Please forgive us, for the sake of Christ's suffering and death on our behalf, and may our lives continue to serve our Savior in great joy and peace. Amen.**

### Declaration of Grace

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

(Pastor) The Bible tells us that we are to penitently and sincerely confess our sins. Having done so in faith, we now humbly seek God's pardon. Christ has promised to us His forgiveness because of His suffering and death at Calvary. Thus, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and according to His Word and promise, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Opening Hymn

*Pianist: Aretta Engelhart*

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel # 123*

**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.*

**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.*

***Reading from the Psalms***

***Psalms 25:1-10***

O LORD, I give my life to you. <sup>2</sup> I trust in you, my God! Do not let me be disgraced, or let my enemies rejoice in my defeat. <sup>3</sup> No one who trusts in you will ever be disgraced, but disgrace comes to those who try to deceive others. <sup>4</sup> Show me the right path, O LORD; point out the road for me to follow. <sup>5</sup> Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you. <sup>6</sup> Remember, O LORD, your compassion and unfailing love, which you have shown from long ages past. <sup>7</sup> Do not remember the rebellious sins of my youth. Remember me in the light of your unfailing love, for you are merciful, O LORD. <sup>8</sup> The LORD is good and does what is right; he shows the proper path to those who go astray. <sup>9</sup> He leads the humble in doing right, teaching them his way. <sup>10</sup> The LORD leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all who keep his covenant and obey his demands.

***Old Testament Lesson for the Day***

***Jeremiah 33:14-16***

<sup>14</sup> "The day will come, says the LORD, when I will do for Israel and Judah all the good things I have promised them. <sup>15</sup> "In those days and at that time I will raise up a righteous descendant from King David's line. He will do what is just and right throughout the land. <sup>16</sup> In that day Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this will be its name: 'The LORD Is Our Righteousness.'

***Epistle***

***1 Thessalonians 3:9-13***

<sup>9</sup> How we thank God for you! Because of you we have great joy as we enter God's presence. <sup>10</sup> Night and day we pray earnestly for you, asking God to let us see you again to fill the gaps in your faith. <sup>11</sup> May God our Father and our Lord Jesus bring us to you very soon. <sup>12</sup> And may the Lord make your love for one another and for all people grow and overflow, just as our love for you overflows. <sup>13</sup> May he, as a result, make your hearts strong, blameless, and holy as you stand before God our Father when our Lord Jesus comes again with all his holy people. Amen.

(Please stand)

***Gospel Reading***

***Luke 21:25-36***

<sup>25</sup> "And there will be strange signs in the sun, moon, and stars. And here on earth the nations will be in turmoil, perplexed by the roaring seas and strange tides. <sup>26</sup> People will be terrified at what they see coming upon the earth, for the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> Then everyone will see the Son of Man coming on a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> So when all these things begin to happen, stand and look up, for your salvation is near!" <sup>29</sup> Then he gave them this illustration: "Notice the fig tree, or any other tree. <sup>30</sup> When the leaves come out, you know without being told that summer is near. <sup>31</sup> In the same way, when you see all these things taking place, you can know that the Kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> I tell you the truth, this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things have taken place. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear. <sup>34</sup> "Watch out! Don't let your hearts be dulled by carousing and drunkenness, and by the worries of this life. Don't let that day catch you unaware, <sup>35</sup> like a trap. For that day will come upon everyone living on the earth. <sup>36</sup> Keep alert at all times. And pray that you might be strong enough to escape these coming horrors and stand before the Son of Man."<sup>37</sup> Every day Jesus went to the Temple to teach, and each evening he returned to spend the night on the Mount of Olives.

**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**

*Jesus, Name Above All Names # 112*

**Sermon**

**Pastor Ralph Buchhorn**

**"Prepare for His Coming!"**

**Luke 21:34**

**General Prayer and 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.*

**Closing Hymn**

*How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds # 94*

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

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

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**Mark Your Calendars!**

Mid-Week Advent Services start Wednesday, December 2 -- At church starting at 6:15 pm with a soup dinner followed by service at 7:00 pm entitled "Touched By An Angel(Mary)". December 9—"Angels in the Outfield (The Shepherds)". December 16—"Three Men and A Baby (The Wise Men)".

December 5, Saturday, Women's Bible Study -- At church from 10 am to 11:00 am. We are continuing the Women of the Bible series with "Ruth—Trusting the God will provide for You." Session One: Tough Choices—When times are difficult, we can trust the Lord.

December 13, Second Sunday -- Our Preschool kids will be singing Christmas songs during worship service. There will be a potluck lunch on the patio following worship service.

December 19, 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!

**December 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**

12th—Sharlene Miller 15th—Bob Ommen 17th—Pastor Ralph Buchhorn 25th—Jesus  
28th—Randy Ommen 30th—Bob Miller

**Anniversaries**

29th—Duane & Marjie Ericson

## Things going on during the week:

**Monday—Little Blessings Christian Preschool:** Theme: “A time to give and share”,  
**Studying Letter: Kk, Bible: “God gets ready for the Savior.”**

**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--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.

**Tuesday (1st & 3rd) /Thursday (2nd & 4th)—Potluck Dinner followed by Bible Study:** Dinner starts at 6:15 pm. Bible Study starts at 7:00 pm

### 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

*Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ*

### 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>Tuesdays/Thursdays:</b>	<b>1st &amp; 3rd Tuesdays, 2nd &amp; 4th Thursdays</b>	
	<b>6:15 pm</b>	<b>Dinner and Bible Study</b>
<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Be Our Guest—Dinner for the Preschool Families</b> <i>Every 4th Thursday</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>

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