

Community Lutheran Church

May 1, 2016

Welcome and Announcements

<u>Invocation</u>

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, 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 into 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) 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.

Hymn of the Day

Peace Like a River # 498

Pianist: Shirlene Everhart

Children's Sermonette

Pastor Ralph Buchhorn

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 Iesus. 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.

Old Testament Lesson for the Day

Isaiah 30:18-21

¹⁸ So the LORD must wait for you to come to him so he can show you his love and compassion. For the LORD is a faithful God. Blessed are those who wait for his help. ¹⁹ O people of Zion, who live in Jerusalem, you will weep no more. He will be gracious if you ask for help. He will surely respond to the sound of your cries. ²⁰ Though the Lord gave you adversity for food and suffering for drink, he will still be with you to teach you. You will see your teacher with your own eyes. ²¹ Your own ears will hear him. Right behind you a voice will say, "This is the way you should go," whether to the right or to the left.

Epistle Revelation 21:9-14, 27

⁹Then one of the seven angels who held the seven bowls containing the seven last plagues came and said to me, "Come with me! I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb." ¹⁰ So he took me in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and he showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God. ¹¹ It shone with the glory of God and sparkled like a precious stone—like jasper as clear as crystal. ¹² The city wall was broad and high, with twelve gates guarded by twelve angels. And the names of the twelve tribes of Israel were written on the gates. ¹³ There were three gates on each side—east, north, south, and west. ¹⁴ The wall of the city had twelve foundation stones, and on them were written the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. ²⁷ Nothing evil will be allowed to enter, nor anyone who practices shameful idolatry and dishonesty—but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

(Please stand)

Gospel Reading John 5:1-9

Afterward Jesus returned to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish holy days. ² Inside the city, near the Sheep Gate, was the pool of Bethesda, with five covered porches. ³ Crowds of sick people—blind, lame, or paralyzed—lay on the porches. ⁵ One of the men lying there had been sick for thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him and knew he had been ill for a long time, he asked him, "Would you like to get well?" ⁷ "I can't, sir," the sick man said,

"for I have no one to put me into the pool when the water bubbles up. Someone else always gets there ahead of me." ⁸ Jesus told him, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk!" ⁹ Instantly, the man was healed! He rolled up his sleeping mat and began walking! But this miracle happened on the Sabbath,

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

Rejoice in the Lord Always # 489

Sermon

Pastor Ralph Buchhorn

"Healing at the Pool"

John 5:1-19

General Prayer

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)

(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!

Distribution

Benediction

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

Sending Hymn

My Faith Looks up to Thee #410

Go In Peace and Serve the Lord! (Everyone) Thanks be to God!

Message Notes:	

Activity Items

These are available for younger children during the service.

They in the cabinets at the back of the church to the left of the Prayer Room.

Things going on during the week:

Monday—<u>Little Blessings Christian Preschool:</u> Theme: "My Mother", Letter: Zz, Bible: "Peter and the Crippled Man."

Tuesday--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--Choir Rehearsal: At church at 5:00 pm.

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.

Thursday—**Potluck Dinner & Bible Study**: Potluck Dinner starts at 6:15 pm followed by Bible Study 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.

Mark Your Calendars!

May 7, 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."

May 8, Sunday, 2nd Sunday -- The Preschool kids sing during worship. It is Mother's Day and there will not be a potluck lunch on the patio following worship so everyone can be with their families..

May 14, Saturday, Mom's Day Off -- Church members watch the Preschool kids from 10 am to 2 pm while their Mom's take some time off.

May 21, Saturday -- Free Food Distribution--At the Shack 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!

May 21, Saturday -- Women's Bible Study lead by Debbie Giles--At church following food distribution about 11 am—"What is faith?"

May 26, Thursday -- Preschool Graduation

<u>July 3, 5-8, Sunday, Tuesday-Friday -- VBS</u> — Cave Quest-Following Jesus, the Light of the World

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.

<u>Birthdays</u>

6th—Della Welemirov, Brady Persky 11th—Tiny Futrell 12th—Joanne Thompson 14th— Jeff Herrington 18th—Trevor Mesquite (PS) 23rd—Pastor Dan Giles

Anniversaries

3rd—Sharlene & Bob Miller, Kathy & Dan Shattuck

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Office Hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:00 pm - 6:00 pm & Saturdays 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:

Sundays 10:00 am Worship Service & Sunday School

11:15 am Community Fellowship Time Refreshments in the Courtyard

Second Sunday Preschool Kids Sing during Worship,

Potluck Lunch following Worship

Wednesdays 5:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursdays 6:15 pm Dinner and Bible Study

Thursdays 6:00 pm "4th Thursday"—Dinner for the Preschool Families

The Fourth Thursday of each month

Saturdays 10:00 am Women's Bible Study

The <u>First</u> Saturday of each month.

10:00 am Free Food Distribution

The <u>Third</u> Saturday of each month. from 9:30—10:30 am

11:00 am Women's Bible Study with Debbie Giles

The <u>Third</u> Saturday of each month.

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