



Prelude

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 and Absolution

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

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: *Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.*

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As an ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the + Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Hymn of the Day

Pianist: Aretta Engelhardt

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus #124

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.

Offertory

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.

First Lesson for the Day

Amos 5:18-24 (NASB)

¹⁸ Alas, you who are longing for the day of the Lord,
For what purpose will the day of the Lord be to you?

It will be darkness and not light;

¹⁹ As when a man flees from a lion And a bear meets him,
Or goes home, leans his hand against the wall And a snake bites him.

²⁰ Will not the day of the Lord be darkness instead of light,
Even gloom with no brightness in it?

²¹ “I hate, I reject your festivals, Nor do I delight in your solemn assemblies.

²² “Even though you offer up to Me burnt offerings and your grain offerings,
I will not accept them;

And I will not even look at the peace offerings of your fatlings.

²³ “Take away from Me the noise of your songs;

I will not even listen to the sound of your harps.

²⁴ “But let justice roll down like waters And righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Epistle

I Thess 4:13-18 (NASB)

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep, so that you will not grieve as do the rest who have no hope. ¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus. ¹⁵ For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore comfort one another with these words.

(reader) This is the Word of the Lord

(congregation) **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

Gospel Reading

Matt 25:1-13 (NASB)

(Pastor) The Holy Gospel according to Sr. Matthew the twenty-fifth chapter.

(C) **Praise to you O Lord.**

¹ “Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were prudent. ³ For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴ but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps. ⁵ Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’

⁷ Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish said to the prudent, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹ But the prudent answered, ‘No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰ And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut. ¹¹ Later the other virgins also came, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open up for us.’ ¹² But he answered, ‘Truly I say to you, I do not know you.’ ¹³ Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.”

(P) This is the Gospel of the Lord.

(C) **Praise to you O Christ.**

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

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing #2

Sermon

Pastor Chris Gallagher

“Trimmed and A-burning”

General Prayer

Communion Hymn

There is Power in the Blood #191

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

Soon and Very Soon #551

Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!

(Everyone) Thanks be to God

Postlude

Message Notes:

Activity Items

These are available for younger children during the service. They are in the cabinets at the back of the church to the left of the Prayer Room.

Things going on during the week:

**Monday—Little Blessings Christian Preschool: Theme: Thanksgiving
Letter: Jj**

Wednesday--Choir Rehearsal: At church at 5 pm.

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!

November 17, 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!

December 2, Saturday, Women's Bible Study -- At 10:00 am at the church.

December 6, Wednesday, Advent Service -- Soup dinner starts at 6:15 pm followed by service at 7:00 pm at the church

November 2017 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

7th— Nayeli Beas (PS), 17th— Elizabeth Marroquin (PS)

Anniversaries

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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:

Sundays	10:00 am	Worship Service & Sunday School
	11:15 am	Community Fellowship Time <i>Refreshments in the Courtyard</i>
Wednesdays	5:00 pm	Choir Practice—At church at 5 pm
Thursdays	6:15 pm	Dinner and Bible Study
Saturdays	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study
		<i>The <u>First</u> Saturday of each month.</i>
	9:30 am	Free Food Distribution
		<i>The <u>Third</u> Saturday of each month, from 9:30—10:30 am</i>
	11:00 am	Women's Bible Study with Debbie Giles