



**The Eleventh Sunday After The Festival of Pentecost**

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

**Prelude**

*Pianist: Shirlene Everhart*

**The Invocation**

*Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**People: Amen.**

**The Confession of Sins and Absolution**

*Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.*

**People: Who made heaven and earth.**

*Pastor: With confidence I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.*

**People: For the Lord is gracious and compassionate and rich in forgiveness.**

*(A moment of silence is observed for personal confession)*

*Pastor: Let us then confess our sins together unto our gracious Lord.*

**People: Father, we confess to You that we are often disobedient children who desire our own will instead of seeking to accomplish Your will in our lives. You have gathered us together as one people in Your Church, and yet often we fail to use the gifts You have given each of us to find meaning and purpose with our lives. Forgive us our sin of self-centeredness and enable us to see the world as You do---filled with people who need to know the grace, love, and forgiveness of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

*Pastor: Because of substitutionary person and work of our Lord Jesus Christ, who died physically and spiritually on our behalf, thus making payment for our sins, I therefore, as one of the servants of Christ in this place, announce unto you the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**People: Amen.**

**Hymn of the Day**

*Holy, Holy, Holy, #135*

## **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.

## **Old Testament Lesson**

*Psalm 67 (NIV)*

<sup>1</sup> May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us—<sup>2</sup> so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations. <sup>3</sup> May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. <sup>4</sup> May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth. <sup>5</sup> May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. <sup>6</sup> The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us. <sup>7</sup> May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

*Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Everyone: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

## **Epistle Lesson**

*Ephesians 2:1-10 (NIV)*

<sup>1</sup> As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, <sup>2</sup> in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup> All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. <sup>4</sup> But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. <sup>6</sup> And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

*Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Everyone: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

## **Gospel Lesson**

*Matthew 15:21-18 (NIV)*

*Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

**Everyone: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

*<sup>21</sup> Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly." <sup>23</sup> Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us." <sup>24</sup> He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel." <sup>25</sup> The woman came and knelt before him. "Lord, help me!" she said. <sup>26</sup> He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup> "Yes it is, Lord," she said. "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus said to her, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed at that moment.*

*Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.*

**People: 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**

*God Loves Me Dearly, #370*

**Sermon**

*"When God Is Silent"*

*Pastor Beryl Droegemueller*



## **Communion Hymn**

*Now Thank We All Our God, #145*

### **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 Country, 'Tis Of Thee, #631*

*Pastor: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord.*

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

### **Postlude**



## **Things going on during the week:**

Please pick up Food Bags today to use or to distribute to others.

**Monday-Friday: 7:15 am to 5 pm Little Blessings Christian Preschool:**

Theme: Getting Acquainted & Learning Routines; Bible: Creation

**Thursdays:** Until further notice, there will be **NO meetings** of Call Committee, Chior, Potluck, Bible Study.

## **Birdhouse = Building Fund Donations**

Please place all and any donations for the Building Fund in the Birdhouse. This fund is needed to replace 'The Shack' and build for the future of this church. Being more visible to Mission Avenue we hope to attract Christians looking for a new home and non-Christians looking for what is missing in their life.

## **Mark Your Calendars!**

**September 19, Saturday -- Free Food Distribution--**At the Shack from 9 to 10 am. If you know of someone who could benefit from the free food distribution, please let them know. Also, 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! The Blue bin on the North wall of the Church is for the collection of can goods for the Food Distribution.

## **November 1, Sunday - Love Offering ... for Missions**

Once a quarter, we will be collecting a special offering in the 'Missions Giving Box' on your way out of the Sanctuary for our Missionaries. This offering is above and beyond our regular giving. In planning ahead, we will repeat the Love Offerings in 2020 on the first Sunday in February, May, August & November.



## **Birthdays and Anniversaries: August 2020**

Please share your name, birthday and anniversary via the Connection Card and place it in the offering plate. [PS] denotes our Preschoolers or the staff.

**Birthdays:** 22-Duane Ericson

**Anniversaries:** August 9-Tricia & Ed Vergara

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## Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ

**Little Blessings Christian Preschool: (760) 722-1705**

**Preschool Schedule: Monday – Friday ... 7:15 am to 5:00 pm**

Kristen Erwin, Preschool Director



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### Weekly Schedule:

- Sundays:**
- 10:00 am **Worship Service & Sunday School**
  - 11:00 am **Community Fellowship Time**
  - 12:00 pm **Council Meeting, The Third Sunday of each month**
- Thursdays:** **Until further notice, **NO meetings** of Call Committee Meeting, Choir, Bible Study**
- Saturdays:**
- 10:00 am **Women's Bible Study**  
**Normally** the **First Saturday** of each month.
  - 9:00 am **Free Food Distribution**  
The **Third Saturday** of each month, 9:00-10:00 am

For more information, please visit:

Website: [www.cloceanside.com](http://www.cloceanside.com)

Facebook Page: Community Lutheran Oceanside

\*AFLC [Association of Free Lutheran Congregations]: [aflc.org](http://aflc.org)



### Prayer Chain Requests

Please mark the Connection Card very clearly ... your request is for Pastor only or you want the prayer chain to pray for your request.



### Children's 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.