

I can do all things
through Christ, who
strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

The purpose of our Community is:

“Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ”

Prelude

Pianist: Shirlene Everhart

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

[Everyone] Loving God,

Today we confess that we have more golden calves in our lives than we are willing to name. Forgive us, Lord, for the many times we have substituted trust in family, trust in money, or trust in things for trust in you. Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have set our affections more upon our children or upon our life-style than upon you. Forgive us Lord, for being distracted when we thought we perceived your absence or for running back to old habits when we feared that we were on our own. Remind us, Lord, that we are never alone and need not find our own solutions. Remind us that you are our God, and that you are always at work for our good. Amen.

Prayer of Forgiveness

Pastor) If we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Opening Hymn

Jesus, Lover of My Soul, # 710

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

Isaiah 25:6-9 ((NLT)

⁶ In Jerusalem, the LORD of Heaven's Armies will spread a wonderful feast for all the people of the world. It will be a delicious banquet with clear, well-aged wine and choice meat. ⁷ There he will remove the cloud of gloom, the shadow of death that hangs over the earth. ⁸ He will swallow up death forever! The Sovereign LORD will wipe away all tears. He will remove forever all insults and mockery against his land and people. The LORD has spoken! ⁹ In that day the people will proclaim, "This is our God! We trusted in him, and he saved us!

Epistle Lesson

Philippians 4:4-13 (NLT)

⁴ Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice! ⁵ Let everyone see that you are considerate in all you do. Remember, the Lord is coming soon. ⁶ Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. ⁷ Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus. ⁸ And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. ⁹ Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of ¹⁰ How I praise the Lord that you are concerned about me again. I know you have always been concerned for me, but you didn't have the chance to help me. ¹¹ Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. ¹² I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. ¹³ For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.

[Please Stand for the reading of the Gospel]

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 22:1-14 (NLT)

¹ Jesus also told them other parables. He said, ² "The Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a king who prepared a great wedding feast for his son. ³ When the banquet was ready, he sent his servants to notify those who were invited. But

they all refused to come!⁴ “So he sent other servants to tell them, ‘The feast has been prepared. The bulls and fattened cattle have been killed, and everything is ready. Come to the banquet!’⁵ But the guests he had invited ignored them and went their own way, one to his farm, another to his business.⁶ Others seized his messengers and insulted them and killed them.⁷ “The king was furious, and he sent out his army to destroy the murderers and burn their town.⁸ And he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, and the guests I invited aren’t worthy of the honor.’⁹ Now go out to the street corners and invite everyone you see.’¹⁰ So the servants brought in everyone they could find, good and bad alike, and the banquet hall was filled with guests.¹¹ “But when the king came in to meet the guests, he noticed a man who wasn’t wearing the proper clothes for a wedding.¹² ‘Friend,’ he asked, ‘how is it that you are here without wedding clothes?’ But the man had no reply.¹³ Then the king said to his aides, ‘Bind his hands and feet and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’¹⁴ “For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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

Thy Loving Kindness, # 706

Sermon

“I Can”

Pastor Buchhorn

Message Notes: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Message Notes cont'd: _____

General Prayer

Communion Hymn

In the Garden, # 635

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

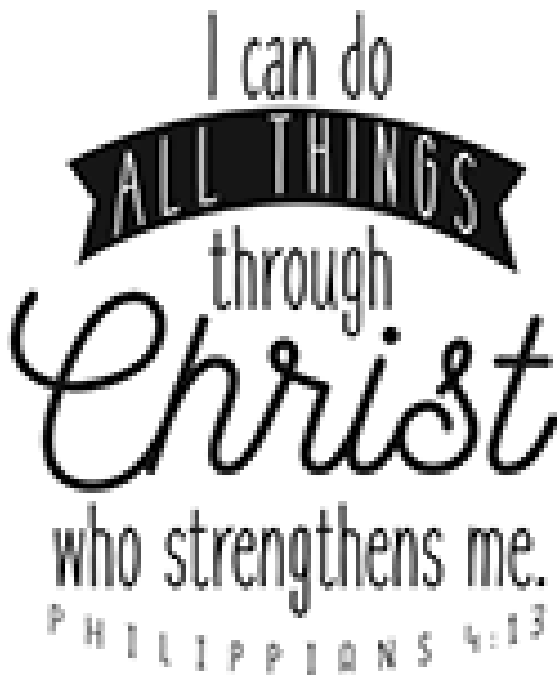
Cares Chorus, # 627

Pastor: Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!

(Everyone) Thanks be to God

Postlude

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## **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: God made my family & fall; Letter: Ff;

Bible: God helps Joseph forgive & love his brothers

**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!**

**October 15, Thursday — Choir resumes, 5 pm**

**October 17, 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: October 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:** 10-Alice Gallagher; 16-Marjie Ericson; 25- Shirlene Everhart

**Anniversaries:** 27-Marsha & John Leichner

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

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

Kristen Erwin, Preschool Director

## Weekly Schedule:

**Sundays: 10:00 am Worship Service & Sunday School**  
**11:15 am Community Fellowship Time**

**Thursday: 5:00 pm Choir resumes, October 15**

**Saturdays 10:00 am Normally Women's Bible Study**  
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.





## Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high;  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none; hangs my helpless soul on thee;  
Leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me.  
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; More than all in Thee I find:  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick and lead the blind:  
Just and holy is Thy name, I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am, Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art; freely let me take of thee;  
Spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

## Thy Loving Kindness

Thy loving kindness  
Is better than life,  
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Is better than life,  
My lips shall praise Thee,  
Thus will I bless Thee:  
I will lift up my hands  
Unto Thy Name.

I lift my hands, Lord,  
unto Thy Name,  
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unto Thy Name,  
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Thus will I bless Thee:  
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unto Thy Name.

# In the Garden

I come to the garden alone,  
While the dew is still on the roses;  
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,  
The Son of God discloses.

[Refrain]

And He walks with me, and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own,  
And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
None other has ever known.

He speaks, and the sound of His voice  
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;  
And the melody that He gave to me  
Within my heart is ringing.

[Refrain]

I'd stay in the garden with Him  
Tho' the night around me be falling;  
But He bids me go, thro' the voice of woe;  
His voice to me is calling.

[Refrain]

# Cares Chorus

I cast all my cares upon You  
I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet,  
And any time I don't know just what to do,  
I will cast all my cares upon You.