



Moses & Elijah talking with Jesus

*The purpose of our Community is:*

*✠✠✠ "Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ" ✠✠✠*

**Prelude**

*Pianist: Aretta Engelhardt or 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 of Sin**

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

*(Everyone) O Lord Jesus Christ, on this Transfiguration Sunday, with the disciples of old, we acknowledge Your glory on the mountain and realize that the Transfiguration once again proves your Deity before men, the fact that You are God! Therefore, recognizing our sinfulness, we come before You, seeking Your mercy and grace, but also asking Your forgiveness. We have sinned against others with our wrong attitudes of selfishness and pride. We have not followed completely Your guidance for us in Your Word, and have, at times, even rebelled against Your ways. We are truly sorry and penitent for our many sins. Yet we know that You went to Calvary to pay the price for our sins, as true God and true man. Thus, as sincere believers, we seek Your pardon and cleansing for the sake of Your suffering and death. Please forgive us our sins, for it is in Your name that we pray. 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 the Word, and in the stead and by command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**Opening Hymn**

*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound, # 578*

**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**

*II Kings 2:1-13 (NKJV)*

<sup>1</sup> And it came to pass, when the LORD was about to take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup> Then Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup> Now the sons of the prophets who *were* at Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that the LORD will take away your master from over you today?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent!" <sup>4</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup> Now the sons of the prophets who *were* at Jericho came to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that the LORD will take away your master from over you today?" So he answered, "Yes, I know; keep silent!" <sup>6</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as your soul lives, lives, I will not leave you!" So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup> And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went and stood facing *them* at a distance, while the two of them stood by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup> Now Elijah took his mantle, rolled *it* up, and struck the water; and it was divided this way and that, so that the two of them crossed over on dry ground. <sup>9</sup> And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?" Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me." <sup>10</sup> So he said, "You have asked a hard thing. *Nevertheless*, if you see me *when I am* taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so." <sup>11</sup> Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire *appeared* with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup> And Elisha saw *it*, and he cried out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!" So he saw him no more. And he took hold of his own clothes and tore them into two pieces. <sup>13</sup> He also took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood by the bank of the Jordan.

**Epistle**

*II Peter 1: 16-21 (NKJV)*

<sup>16</sup> For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the

power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.<sup>17</sup> For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."<sup>18</sup> And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.<sup>19</sup> And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;<sup>20</sup> knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,<sup>21</sup> for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke *as they were* moved by the Holy Spirit.

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

## **Gospel Reading**

*Matthew 17: 1-9 (NKJV)*

<sup>1</sup> Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves; <sup>2</sup> and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light. <sup>3</sup> And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. <sup>4</sup> Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!" <sup>6</sup> And when the disciples heard *it*, they fell on their faces and were greatly afraid. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them and said, "Arise, and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup> When they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. <sup>9</sup> Now as they came down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, "Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is risen from the dead."

## **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**

*Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word, # 232*



## **Communion Hymn**

*I Lay My Sins on Jesus, # 396*

## **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**

*In Thee Is Gladness, # 221*

*(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: Community Helpers & Good Health;  
Letters: Rr; Bible: Jesus Chooses 12 Disciples**

**Wednesdays: NO CHOIR until further notice.**

**Thursdays: Until further notice, NO other meetings**

## **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!**

**February 20, 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.

**March 6, Saturday - Normally Women's Bible Study, 10 am.**

### **May 2, 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.



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## Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ

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

**Preschool Schedule: Tuesday – 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**

**Wednesdays:** 5:00 pm **NO CHOIR until further notice.**

**Thursdays:** Until further notice, **NO other meetings.**

**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.



# Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord hath promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we first begun.

# Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

Blessed Jesus, at Thy word  
we are gathered all to hear Thee;  
Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
now to seek and love and fear Thee;  
By Thy teachings sweet and holy,  
Drawn from earth to love Thee solely.

All our knowledge, sense, and sight  
lie in deepest darkness shrouded,  
till Thy Spirit breaks our night  
with the beams of truth unclouded.  
Thou alone to God canst win us,  
Thou must work all good within us.

Glorious Lord, Thyself impart!  
Light of Light, from God proceeding,  
open Thou our ears and heart,  
help us by Thy Spirit's pleading;  
Hear the cry Thy people raises,  
Hear, and bless our prayers and praises.

# I Lay My Sins on Jesus

I lay my sins on Jesus,  
The spotless Lamb of God;  
He bears them all and frees us  
From the accursed load.  
I bring my guilt to Jesus,  
To wash my crimson stains  
White in His blood most precious,  
Till not a spot remains.

I lay my wants on Jesus;  
All fullness dwells in Him;  
He heals all my diseases,  
He doth my soul redeem.  
I lay my griefs on Jesus,  
My burdens and my cares:  
He from them all releases,  
He all my sorrows shares.

I long to be like Jesus,  
Meek, loving, lowly, mild:  
I long to be like Jesus,  
The Father's holy Child.  
I long to be with Jesus,  
Wmid the heav'nly throng,  
To sing with saints His praises,  
To learn the angels' song.

# In Thee Is Gladness

In Thee is gladness Amid all sadness,  
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.  
By Thee are given The gifts of heaven,  
Thou the true Redeemer art.  
Our souls Thou wakest; Our bonds Thou breakest.  
Who trusts Thee surely Has built securely  
And stands forever: Alleluia!  
Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining,  
Dying or living, To Thee are cleaving;  
Naught us can sever: Alleluia!

If He is ours, We fear no powers,  
Not of earth or sin or death.  
He sees and blesses In worst distresses;  
He can change them with a breath.  
Wherefore the story Tell of His glory  
With heart and voices; All heav'n rejoices  
In Him forever: Alleluia!  
We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,  
Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him  
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!