

The Fifth Sunday after the Festival of the Epiphany of Our Lord

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

Prelude Pianist: Aretta Engelhardt or 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: Arise, shine; For your light has come!

People: And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you.

Pastor: For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth,

People: And deep darkness the people; Pastor: But the LORD will arise over you,

People: Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her hard

service has been completed, that her sin has been paid for.

Pastor: As we observe who Christ is during this Epiphany season, we remem-

ber with thankfulness, Christ's first coming to save us,

People: We confess our sins for which He came to forgive, for the Lord is

gracious, compassionate, and rich in mercy and love.

(A moment of silence is observed for personal confession)

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

confess together:

People: Lord, we have learned once again during this Epiphany season that You are the promised Messiah, Immanuel, God with us. Forgive us our impatience at times, when we have not trusted You enough to wait without undue anxiety for Your will to take place in our lives. Forgive us our sins of thought, word, and actions, and strengthen our faith. We have not always trusted You enough. Increase our trust.

Pastor: Because of substitutionary person and work of our Lord Jesus Christ,

true God and true human, 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

I Love To Tell The Story, # 304

Children's Sermonette:

"Strength For Life" Pastor Beryl Droegemueller

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

Isaiah 40:21-31 (NIV)

²¹ Do you not know? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood since the earth was founded? ²² He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in. ²³ He brings princes to naught and reduces the rulers of this world to nothing. ²⁴ No sooner are they planted, no sooner are they sown, no sooner do they take root in the ground, than he blows on them and they wither, and a whirlwind sweeps them away like chaff. ²⁵ "To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. ²⁶ Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing. ²⁷ Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD; my cause is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸ Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. ²⁹ He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. ³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; ³¹ but those who hope in the LORD will renew

their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **Everyone: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 9:16-27 (NIV)

¹⁶ For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷ If I preach voluntarily, I have a reward; if not voluntarily, I am simply discharging the trust committed to me. ¹⁸ What then is my reward? Just this: that in preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make full use of my rights as a preacher of the gospel. ¹⁹ Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ²⁰ To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. ²¹ To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. 22 To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. ²³ I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. ²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. ²⁶ Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. ²⁷ No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others. I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **Everyone: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:29-39 (NIV)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 1st chapter.

Everyone: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰ Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. ³¹ So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. ³³ The whole town gathered at the door, ³⁴ and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was. ³⁵ Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. ³⁶ Simon and his companions went to look for him, 37 and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!" ³⁸ Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." ³⁹ So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord. People: Praise to You, O Christ.

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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.

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Sermon	"The Value God Puts Upon Each of Us" Pastor Beryl Droegemueller
Message Notes:	

Message Notes Cont'd:	

General Prayer

Communion Hymn

Just As I Am, Without One Plea, # 417

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

Hark, The Voice of Jesus Calling, # 306

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: Valentines Love & Friendship; Letters: Ss;

Bible: Sermon on the Mount

Wednesdays: Choir, 5 pm; No other meetings 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 7, 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.

February 17, Wednesday - Ash Wednesday, 7 pm Service

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. <u>Join us in thanking God for the continuation of this ministry!</u> The Blue bin on the North wall of the Church is for the collection of can goods for the Food Distribution.

February 21, Sunday - Annual Congregation meeting, after fellowship.

February 17, Wednesday -Lenten Service, 7 pm

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

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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

11:00 am Community Fellowship Time

12:00 pm Council Meeting, The Third Sunday of each month

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

Facebook Page: Community Lutheran Oceanside

AFLC [Association of Free Lutheran Congregations]: 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.

I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above, Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, Because I know 'tis true; It satisfies my longings As nothing else could do.

Refrain:

I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; More wonderful it seems
Than all the golden fancies Of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, It did so much for me;
And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.

[Refrain]

I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, For some have never heard The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

[Refrain]

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it, like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'Twill be the old, old story, That I have loved so long. [Refrain]

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise;
Manifested by the star To the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem In Thy birth at Bethlehem:
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest and King supreme; And at Cana, wedding guest In Thy God-head manifest; Manifest in pow'r divine, Changing water into wine; Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest in making whole Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight, Quelling all the devil's might;
Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill:
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Present in Thy holy Word; Grace to imitate Thee now, And be pure, as pure art Thou; That we might become like Thee At Thy great Epiphany, And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in flesh made manifest.

Just As I Am, without One Plea

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small; In all life Thou livest, the true life of all; Thy wisdom so boundless, Thy mercy so free, Eternal Thy goodness for naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight; All praise we would render, O help us to see: 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Just as I am! Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I came.

Just as I am! Thy love unkown Hast broken every barrier down; Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Hark, The Voice of Jesus Calling

Hark! the voice of Jesus calling, "Who will go and work today?

Fields are white, and harvests waiting,

Who will bear the sheaves away?"

Loud and long the Master calleth, Rich reward He offers thee;

Who will answer, gladly saying, Here am I; send me, send me"?

If you cannot cross the ocean, And the heathen lands explore, You can find the heathen nearer, You can help them at your door.

If you cannot give your thousands,

You can give with willing might;

And the least you do for Jesus, Will be precious in His sight.

If you cannot be a watchman, Standing high on Zion's wall,
Pointing out the path to heaven, Offering life and peace to all;
With your pray'rs and with your bounties
You can do what heav'n demands;
You can be like faithful Aaron, Holding up the prophet's hands.

Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do," While the soulsof men are dying, And the Master calls for you, Take the task He gives you gladly, Let His work your pleasure be; Answer quickly when He calleth: Here am I; send me, send me."