



*Our life  
does not consist  
in the abundance  
of our  
possessions*



*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) Gracious Heavenly Father, on this third Sunday in Lent, during this season we walk with Christ as he journeys to Calvary for our sins. He of course was able to victoriously resist temptation, but sometimes we are not able. We realize that we are poor sinners and have often given in to temptation and sinned. We have done and said things of which we are truly ashamed. We have allowed sinful anger to overwhelm our thoughts and actions; we have not always treated our family in a way that is God pleasing; we have not always kept Your commandments. Therefore, we come before You in Lent with a penitent heart, seeking Your pardon and peace. Please forgive us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and His merits won for us on the cross. In Jesus' name. 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. Lent is the season that reminds us of Christ's redemptive act. He 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

Oh, Worship the King, # 178

## Children's Sermonette:

'I want that!...'

Pastor McDonald

## 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

Exodus 19:1-9 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup> In the third month after the children of Israel had gone out of the land of Egypt, on the same day, they came to the Wilderness of Sinai. <sup>2</sup> For they had departed from Rephidim, had come to the Wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness. So Israel camped there before the mountain. <sup>3</sup> And Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: <sup>4</sup> 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. <sup>5</sup> Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. <sup>6</sup> And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel." <sup>7</sup> So Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the LORD commanded him. <sup>8</sup> Then all the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do." So Moses brought back the words of the people to the LORD. <sup>9</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I come to you in the thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever." So Moses told the words of the people to the LORD.

## Epistle

I Corinthians 1:18-31 (NKJV)

<sup>18</sup> For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup> For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent." <sup>20</sup> Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? <sup>21</sup> For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; <sup>23</sup> but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, <sup>24</sup> but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup> Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. <sup>26</sup> For you see your calling,

brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called*.<sup>27</sup> But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty;<sup>28</sup> and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are,<sup>29</sup> that no flesh should glory in His presence.<sup>30</sup> But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—<sup>31</sup> that, as it is written, “He who glories, let him glory in the LORD.”

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

## **Gospel Reading**

*Luke 12:13-21 (NKJV)*

<sup>13</sup> Then one from the crowd said to Him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But He said to him, “Man, who made Me a judge or an arbitrator over you?” **15 And He said to them,** “Take heed and beware of <sup>a</sup>covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.” <sup>16</sup> Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. <sup>17</sup> And he thought within himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> So he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, *and* be merry.”’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?’ <sup>21</sup> “So *is* he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”

## **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**

*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee, # 448*

**Sermon:** ‘Our loyalty is to Christ, not to possessions...’ *Luke 12:15*  
*Pastor Robert McDonald*



## **Communion Hymn**

*Softly and Tenderly, # 431*

### **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**

*Beautiful Savior, # 177*

*(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**

**Wednesdays: March 10, 17, 24 ... Lenten Service, 7 pm; Pastor Buchhorn**

**Thursdays: Choir, 5 pm; NO other meetings until further notice,**

## **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!**

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

**March 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 28 - Palm Sunday...Please wear purple or dark blue to worship service.**

**April 1, Thursday, - Mauday Thursday**

**April 2, Friday - Good Friday**

**April 4, Sunday - Easter Sunday**

**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: March 10, 17, 24 ... Lenten Service, 7 pm; Pastor Buchhorn**

**Thursdays: 5:00 pm Choir practice. 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.





# Oh, Worship the King

Oh, worship the King, all glorious above.  
Oh, gratefully sing His pow'r and His love,  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

Oh, tell of His might; oh, sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, Your pow'r has founded of old;  
Established it fast by a changeless decree,  
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills, in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In You do we trust, not find You to fail;  
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

O measureless Might, ineffable love,  
While angels delight to hymn You above,  
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration shall sing to Your praise.

# O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

O Master, let me walk with Thee  
In lowly paths of service free;  
Tell me Thy secret; help me hear  
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move  
By some clear, winning word of love;  
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,  
And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me Thy patience, still with Thee  
In closer, dearer company,  
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong  
In trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray,  
Far down the future's broadening way,  
In peace that only Thou canst give,  
With Thee, O Master, let me live.

# Softly and Tenderly

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,  
Calling for you and for me;  
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching,  
Watching for you and for me.

Refrain:

Come home, come home  
Ye who are weary, come home;  
Earnestly, tenderly Jesus is calling  
Calling, O sinner come home!

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,  
Pleading for you and for me?  
Why should we linger and heed not His mercies,  
Mercies for you and for me?  
[Refrain]

Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing,  
Passing from you and me;  
Shadows are gathering, deathbeds are coming,  
Coming for you and for me.  
[Refrain]

O for the wonderful love He has promised,  
Promised for you and for me!  
Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon  
Pardon for you and for me.  
[Refrain]

# Beautiful Savior

Beautiful Savior, King of Creation!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown!

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer;  
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer is the moonlight  
And the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer;  
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be Thine!