

A landscape scene featuring a large, dark, rounded rock formation in the foreground. A bright, glowing rectangular opening is visible in the center of the rock, suggesting an entrance to a tomb. The background shows rolling hills and a bright sun rising on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow across the sky and casting long shadows. The overall atmosphere is one of hope and new beginnings.

Death Turned to Life
John 20:1-18

The purpose of our Community is:

“Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ”

Prelude

Pianist: Aretta Engelhardt or Shirlene Everhart

The Easter Dialogue & 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. On Easter Sunday, we also begin with the traditional Easter greeting and response.)

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: The stone has been rolled away! Alleluia!

People: The crucified One is risen! Alleluia!

Pastor: He has conquered death by the cross!

People: He has come out of the tomb!

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Psalm 118:24 NIV

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good!

People: His love endures forever! Psalm 118:1 NIV

Pastor: Thanks be to God who has given us the victory through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

People: Let us keep our Easter feast. We worship in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Confession of Sins and Absolution

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

(A moment of silence is observed for personal confession)

Now let us confess together:

People: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a helpless and repentant sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your earthly and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter suffer-

ings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. So upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of Christ, because of the person and work of Christ, announce the grace and forgiveness of God to all of you and in the stead and by the 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.

People: Amen.

Hymn of the Day *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, #104*

Children's Sermonette: *"Trust"*
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 25:6-9 (NIV)

⁶ On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines.

⁷ On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; ⁸ he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. ⁹ In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Everyone: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Epistle Lesson

I Corinthians 15:1-11 (NIV)

¹ Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to

you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ²By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. ³For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. ¹¹Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Everyone: THANKS BE TO GOD.

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

Gospel Lesson

John 20:1-18 (NIV)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 20th chapter.

Everyone: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ²So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!” ³So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹(They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to where they were staying. ¹¹Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹²and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. ¹³They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?” “They

have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.”¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.¹⁵ He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?” Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.”¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).¹⁷ Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna in the highest!

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

I Know That My Redeemer Lives, #97

Sermon

*“Easter: Dealing With the Uncertainties of Life”
Pastor Beryl Droegemueller*

Message Notes:

Message Notes Cont'd:

General Prayer

Communion Hymn

Sent Forth By God's Blessings, #284

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 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! #105*

Easter Acclamation:

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord with gladness.

People: Thanks be to God.

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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: Spring; Numbers: 1; Bible: Emmaus Disciples saw Jesus

**Wednesdays: 5 pm Choir practice resumes on April 14.**

### ***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!***

***April 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.

***May 1, Saturday - Women's Bible Study - Book of Acts***

***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:* **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**

Wednesdays: **5:00 pm** **Choir practice resumes April 14.**

Saturdays: **10:00 am** **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

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.

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

I know that my Redeemer lives;
what comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everliving Head.

He lives to bless me with His love,
He lives to plead for me above,
He lives my hungry soul to feed,
He lives to help in time of need.

He lives to grant me rich supply,
He lives to guide me with His eye,
He lives to comfort me when faint,
He live to hear my soul's complaint.

He lives to silence all my fears,
He lives to wipe away my tears,
He lives to calm my troubled heart,
He lives all blessings to impart.

He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus still the same:
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

Sent Forth By God's Blessings

Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of His teaching, Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

With praise and thanksgiving To God ever-living,
The tasks of our everyday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia alleluia alleluia!

The Lord of Life is risen this day;
Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;
Let all the world rejoice and say:
Alleluia alleluia alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory
That love, that life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia alleluia alleluia!

Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord,
The life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia alleluia alleluia!