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Community Lutheran Church

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

Prelude

Pianists: 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.**

Confession of Sins

(Everyone) Gracious Heavenly Father, on this first Sunday of February, we realize that the Epiphany season is a time for the revealing of the divine purpose and work of Christ to the world! His most important work on earth was His suffering and death for our sins at Calvary. We understand that our individual confession of sins humbles us before Christ, and makes the work of Christ during Epiphany all the more meaningful! Thus we come before You this morning in true contrition and sorrow over our sins. We have sinned in our words, thoughts and actions. Our speech has not always been God pleasing, and our day to day lifestyle has not always been in accordance with God's Will. For all these sins we come now in confession, and humbly seek Your pardon and mercy. Please forgive us our sins for the sake of Christ's suffering and death on our behalf, and may our lives in this Epiphany season serve our Savior in great joy and peace! In Jesus' name. Amen.

Declaration of Grace

(Pastor) Especially in the season of Epiphany, as we contemplate a new calendar year, 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

Have Thine Own Way, Lord!, #460

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'What is humility?'

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

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His *robe* filled the temple. ² Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy *is* the LORD of hosts; The whole earth *is* full of His glory!" ⁴ And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ So I said: "Woe *is* me, for I am undone! Because I *am* a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts." ⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal *which* he had taken with the tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth *with it*, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged." ⁸ Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here *am* I! Send me."

Epistle Lesson

I Corinthians 13:4-13 [NKJV]

⁴ Love suffers long *and* is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; ⁵ does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; ⁶ does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; ⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸ Love never fails. But whether *there are* prophecies, they will fail; whether *there are* tongues, they will cease; whether *there is* knowledge, it will vanish away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part. ¹⁰ But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. ¹³ And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these *is* love.

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

Isaiah 6:1-8 [NKJV]

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:7-14 [NKJV]

⁷ So He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noted how they chose the best places, saying to them: ⁸ "When you are invited by anyone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in the best place, lest one more honorable than you be invited by him; ⁹ and he who invited you and him come and say to you, 'Give place to this man,' and then you begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down in the lowest place, so that when he who invited you comes he may say to you, 'Friend, go up higher.' Then you will have glory in the presence of those who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." ¹² Then He also said to him who invited Him, "When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a feast, invite *the* poor, *the* maimed, *the* lame, *the* blind. ¹⁴ And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

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 Fa-ther 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

"Hard to be humble?"

Luke 14:11 Pastor Robert McDonald

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General Prayer

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 welome 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 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise, #246

(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 School Theme: Valentines & Postal Workers; Letter: S s; Bible: Jesus Teaches about Love

Wednesdays: 5 pm - Choir 6:00 pm - Potluck 7:00 pm - 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!

**February 19, 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.

#### March 5, Saturday - Women's Bible Study - 10 am

#### May 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.

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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



# Weekly Schedule:

| Sundays:    | 10:00 am<br>11:00 am<br>12:00 pm | Worship Service & Sunday School<br>Community Fellowship Time<br>Council Meeting, The <u>Third Sunday</u> of each month |
|-------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wednesdays: | 5 pm<br>6 pm<br>7 pm             | Choir<br>Potluck<br>Bible Study                                                                                        |
| Saturdays:  | 10:00 am                         | <b>Women's Bible Study</b><br>The <b>First Saturday</b> 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.

# Have Thy Own Way, Lord!

1 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Thou art the potter, I am the clay: Mold me and make me After thy will, While I am waiting, Yielded and still.

2 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Search me and try me, Master, today! Whiterthan snow, Lord, Wash me just now, As in Thy presence Humbly I bow.

3 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Wounded and weary, Help me, I pray! Power, all power, Surely is Thine! Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

4 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Hold o'er my being Absolute sway! Fill with Thy Spirit Till all shall see Christ only, always, Living in me!

# **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 bear 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 broad'ning 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]

# Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

Savior, again to thy dear name we raise With one accord our parting hymn of praise; Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease, Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way; With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day; Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame, That in this house have called upon Thy name.

Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night, Turn Thou for us its darkness into light; From harm and danger keep Thy children free, For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life, Our balm in sorrow, and our stay in strife; Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease, Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.