

The purpose of our Community is: ৯৯৯৯ "Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ" ককক

Prelude Pianist: 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.

Opening Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, #648

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.

First Lesson

Jeremiah 26:8-15 [NLT]

⁸ But when Jeremiah had finished his message, saying everything the LORD had told him to say, the priests and prophets and all the people at the Temple mobbed him. "Kill him!" they shouted. 9 "What right do you have to prophesy in the LORD's name that this Temple will be destroyed like Shiloh? What do you mean, saying that Jerusalem will be destroyed and left with no inhabitants?" And all the people threatened him as he stood in front of the Temple. ¹⁰ When the officials of Judah heard what was happening, they rushed over from the palace and sat down at the New Gate of the Temple to hold court. ¹¹ The priests and prophets presented their accusations to the officials and the people. "This man should die!" they said. "You have heard with your own ears what a traitor he is, for he has prophesied against this city." ¹² Then Jeremiah spoke to the officials and the people in his own defense. "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this Temple and this city," he said. "The LORD gave me every word

that I have spoken. ¹³ But if you stop your sinning and begin to obey the LORD your God, he will change his mind about this disaster that he has announced against you. ¹⁴ As for me, I am in your hands—do with me as you think best. ¹⁵ But if you kill me, rest assured that you will be killing an innocent man! The responsibility for such a deed will lie on you, on this city, and on every person living in it. For it is absolutely true that the LORD sent me to speak every word you have heard."

Epistle Lesson

Philippians 3:17-4:1 [NLT]

¹⁷ Dear brothers and sisters, pattern your lives after mine, and learn from those who follow our example. ¹⁸ For I have told you often before, and I say it again with tears in my eyes, that there are many whose conduct shows they are really enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹ They are headed for destruction. Their god is their appetite, they brag about shameful things, and they think only about this life here on earth. ²⁰ But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior. ²¹ He will take our weak mortal bodies and change them into glorious bodies like his own, using the same power with which he will bring everything under his control. ~~~ ¹ Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stay true to the Lord. I love you and long to see you, dear friends, for you are my joy and the crown I receive for my work.

[Please Stand for the reading of the Gospel]

Gospel Lesson

Luke 13:31-35 [NLT]

³¹ At that time some Pharisees said to him, "Get away from here if you want to live! Herod Antipas wants to kill you!" ³² Jesus replied, "Go tell that fox that I will keep on casting out demons and healing people today and tomorrow; and the third day I will accomplish my purpose. ³³ Yes, today, tomorrow, and the next day I must proceed on my way. For it wouldn't do for a prophet of God to be killed except in Jerusalem! ³⁴ "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones God's messengers! How often I have wanted to gather your children together as a hen protects her chicks beneath her wings, but you wouldn't let me. ³⁵ And now, look, your house is abandoned. And you will never see me again until you say, 'Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the LORD!'"

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 Need Thee Every Hour, #638

Sermon	"Stand Firm"	Pastor Buchhorn
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General Prayer

Communion Hymn

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus, #602

Words of Brokenness

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Most merciful God,

People: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Words of Healing

Pastor: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

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 thiso 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. Fr 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

Have Thine Own Way, Lord, #591

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 School

Wednesdays: 5 pm - Choir

6 pm - Potluck; 7 pm - Lenten Service

Potluck and Lenten Services continue through April 6th.

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 2, Saturday - Women's Bible Study - 10 am

March 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. 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, 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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Little Blessings Christian Preschool: (760) 722-1705

Preschool Schedule: Monday – Friday ... 7:15 am to 5:00 pm

Kristen Erwin, Preschool Director



Sundays: 10:00 am Worship Service & Sunday School

11:00 am Community Fellowship Time

11:30 pm Council Meeting, The Third Sunday of each month

Wednesdays: 5:00 pm Choir

6:00 pm Potluck

7:00 pm Lenten Services

Saturdays: 10:00 am Women's Bible Study

Usually the **<u>First</u> 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.

Love Devine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of Heav'n to earth come down! Fix in us Thy humble dwelling; All Thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, Thou art all compassion; Pure unbounded love Thou art.

Visit us with Thy salvation,

Enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit Into every troubled breast!

Let us all in Thee inherit; Let us find the promised rest.

Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be.

End of faith, as its beginning,

Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; Let us all Thy life receive.
Suddenly return, and never, Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee:
Changed from glory into glory, Till in Heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

I Need Thee Every Hour

I need Thee every hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine Can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need Thee, O I need Thee; Every hour I need Thee! O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

I need Thee every hour,
Stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r
When Thou art nigh. [Refrain]

I need Thee every hour In joy or pain; Come quickly and abide, Or life is vain. [Refrain]

I need Thee every hour,
Most Holy One;
O make me Thine indeed,
Thou blessed Son! [Refrain]

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, No turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; The world behind me, the cross before me; The world behind me, the cross before me; No turning back, no turning back.

Tho' none go with me, still I will follow, Tho' none go with me, still I will follow, Tho' none go with me, still I will follow, No turning back, no turning back.

Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? No turning back, no turning back.

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

- 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.
- Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
 Search me and try me, Master, today.
 Whiter than snow, Lord, Wash me just now,
 As in Thy presence humbly I bow.
- 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!
- 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!