



The purpose of our Community is:

“Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ”

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*He Lives, #368***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*Psalms 148 [NLT]*

¹ Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens! Praise him from the skies!
² Praise him, all his angels! Praise him, all the armies of heaven! ³ Praise him, sun and moon! Praise him, all you twinkling stars! ⁴ Praise him, skies above! Praise him, vapors high above the clouds! ⁵ Let every created thing give praise to the LORD, for he issued his command, and they came into being. ⁶ He set them in place forever and ever. His decree will never be revoked. ⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth, you creatures of the ocean depths, ⁸ fire and hail, snow and clouds, wind and weather that obey him, ⁹ mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, ¹⁰ wild animals and all livestock, small scurrying animals and birds, ¹¹ kings of the earth and all people, rulers and judges of the earth, ¹² young men and young women, old men and children. ¹³ Let them all praise the name of the LORD. For his name is very great; his glory towers over the earth and heaven! ¹⁴ He has made his people strong, honoring his faithful ones—the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!

Second Lesson

Revelation 1:4-18 [NLT]

⁴This letter is from John to the seven churches in the province of Asia. Grace and peace to you from the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come; from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; ⁵and from Jesus Christ. He is the faithful witness to these things, the first to rise from the dead, and the ruler of all the kings of the world.

All glory to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by shedding his blood for us. ⁶He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God his Father. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen. ⁷Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven. And everyone will see him—even those who pierced him. And all the nations of the world will mourn for him. Yes! Amen! ⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end,” says the Lord God. “I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come—the Almighty One.” ⁹I, John, am your brother and your partner in suffering and in God’s Kingdom and in the patient endurance to which Jesus calls us. I was exiled to the island of Patmos for preaching the word of God and for my testimony about Jesus. ¹⁰It was the Lord’s Day, and I was worshiping in the Spirit. Suddenly, I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet blast. ¹¹It said, “Write in a book everything you see, and send it to the seven churches in the cities of Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea.” ¹²When I turned to see who was speaking to me, I saw seven gold lampstands. ¹³And standing in the middle of the lampstands was someone like the Son of Man. He was wearing a long robe with a gold sash across his chest. ¹⁴His head and his hair were white like wool, as white as snow. And his eyes were like flames of fire. ¹⁵His feet were like polished bronze refined in a furnace, and his voice thundered like mighty ocean waves. ¹⁶He held seven stars in his right hand, and a sharp two-edged sword came from his mouth. And his face was like the sun in all its brilliance. ¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as if I were dead. But he laid his right hand on me and said, “Don’t be afraid! I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸I am the living one. I died, but look—I am alive forever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and the grave.

[Please Stand for the reading of the Gospel]

Gospel Lesson [NLT]

John 20:19-31

¹⁹That Sunday evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! “Peace be with you,” he said. ²⁰As he spoke, he showed them the wounds in his hands and his side. They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord! ²¹Again he said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.” ²²Then he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive anyone’s sins, they are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.” ²⁴One of the twelve disciples, Thomas (nicknamed the Twin), was not with the others when Jesus came. ²⁵They told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he replied, “I won’t believe it

Message Notes cont'd: _____

General Prayer

Communion Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, #210

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 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

This Is the Day, #209

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: Farm; Bible: The Emmaus Disciples See Jesus**

**Wednesdays: 5 pm - Choir; 6 pm - Potluck; 7 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!**

### **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.

### **May 7, Saturday - Women's Bible Study - 10 am**

**May 21, 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.



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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:

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| <b>Sundays:</b>    | <b>10:00 am</b> | <b>Worship Service &amp; Sunday School</b>                                              |
|                    | <b>11:00 am</b> | <b>Community Fellowship Time</b>                                                        |
|                    | <b>11:30 pm</b> | <b>Council Meeting, The <u>Third</u> Sunday of each month</b>                           |
| <b>Wednesdays:</b> | <b>5:00 pm</b>  | <b>Choir</b>                                                                            |
|                    | <b>6:00 pm</b>  | <b>Potluck</b>                                                                          |
|                    | <b>7:00 pm</b>  | <b>Bible Study</b>                                                                      |
| <b>Saturdays:</b>  | <b>10:00 am</b> | <b>Women's Bible Study</b><br>Usually the <u>First</u> Saturday of each month.          |
|                    | <b>9:00 am</b>  | <b>Free Food Distribution</b><br>The <u>Third</u> 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.





# He Lives

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;  
I know that He is living, whatever men may say.  
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,  
And just the time I need Him, He's always near.

## Refrain

He lives, (He lives), He lives! (He lives), Christ Jesus lives today!  
He walks with me and talks with me Along life's narrow way,  
He lives, (He lives), He lives, (He lives), Salvation to impart!  
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart!

In all the world around me I see His loving care;  
And tho' my heart grows weary, I never will despair.  
I know that He is leading, thro' all the stormy blast;  
The day of His appearing will come at last.

## Refrain

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, Lift up your voice and sing  
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King!  
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find,  
None other is so loving, so good and kind.

## Refrain

# Because He Lives

God sent His Son—they called Him Jesus;  
He came to love, heal and forgive.  
He lived and died to buy my pardon;  
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.  
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;  
Because He lives, all fear is gone.  
Because I know He holds the future,  
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,  
And feel the pride and the joy that he gives;  
But greater still, the calm assurance:  
This child can face uncertain days because He lives.  
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;  
Because He lives, all fear is gone.  
Because I know He holds the future,  
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

And then one day I'll cross the river;  
I'll fight life's final war with pain.  
And then, as death gives way to victory,  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns.  
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives, all fear is gone  
Because I know He holds the future  
And life is worth a living just because He lives.

# Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
Come, All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near;  
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yeah, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen How thy desires all have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosperty work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the 'Amen' Sound from His people again;  
Gladly forever adore Him!

# This Is the Day

This is the day,  
this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made;  
We will rejoice,  
we will rejoice, and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made;  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.  
This is the day,  
this is the day that the Lord has made.