

BE PATIENT, THEN, BROTHERS AND SISTERS,
UNTIL THE LORD'S COMING. SEE HOW THE
FARMER WAITS FOR THE LAND TO YIELD ITS
VALUABLE CROP, PATIENTLY WAITING FOR
THE AUTUMN AND SPRING RAINS.

JAMES 5:7



*The purpose of our Community is:
 ❁❁❁ “Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ” ❁❁❁*

Prelude

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

[Everyone]: Gracious Heavenly Father, on this last Sunday in July, we thank You for Your Providence and Protection during the summer that has brought us to this point in our lives! Especially during this time of year, we see your divine Hand in nature and in the natural world, and we rejoice in Your Creative power on this earth! However, we also realize that we have sinned in weakness, and have not served You with our whole heart. We have transgressed Your will in our actions, our words, and our thoughts. For all these sins, we seek Your forgiveness for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who suffered, died and rose again, so that we could be forgiven. Please pardon all our sins for Jesus' sake, for it is in His Name that we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Grace

[Pastor]: The Bible encourages us to patiently, penitently and sincerely confess our sins on a regular basis. Having done so in faith, we now humbly seek God's pardon and forgiveness of our sins. 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

Beautiful Savior, #177

Children's Sermonette:

'Patience, please!...'

Pastor McDonald

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

Deuteronomy 7:6-9 [NKJV]

⁶“For you *are* a holy people to the LORD your God; the LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth. ⁷The LORD did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any other people, for you were the least of all peoples; ⁸but because the LORD loves you, and because He would keep the oath which He swore to your fathers, the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹“Therefore know that the LORD your God, He *is* God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments

Epistle Lesson

James 5:7-11 [NKJV]

⁷Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See *how* the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain. ⁸You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. ⁹Do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door! ¹⁰My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as an example of suffering and patience. ¹¹Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end *intended* by the Lord—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

[Please stand for the reading of the Holy Gospel]

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25-30 [NKJV]

²⁵At that time Jesus answered and said, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from *the* wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes. ²⁶Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. ²⁷All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and *the one* to whom the Son wills to reveal *Him*. ²⁸Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light.”

Communion Hymn*Just As I Am, without One Plea, #417***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**Sending Hymn***Sun of My Soul! Thou Savior Dear, #250*

Pastor: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord.

Everyone: Thanks be to God

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**Postlude Music**

## ***Things going on during the week:***

***Monday-Friday: 7:15 am to 5 pm Little Blessings Christian School***

***Thursdays: 5 pm, Choir practice***

## ***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!***

### ***August 6, 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 2023 on the first Sunday in February, May, August & November.

***August 12, Saturday - Women's Bible Study, 10 am.***

***August 20, Council meeting today, after fellowship time.***

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## Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ

**Little Blessings Christian Preschool: (760) 378-7973**

**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, usually 3rd Sunday of each month**
- Thursdays:** 5:00 pm **Choir practice**
- Saturdays:** 10:00 am **Women's Bible Study**
 Usually, Second Saturday of each month

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.