



The crowds that went ahead of Him
and those that followed
shouted, "*Hosanna to the Son of David!*
Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Matthew 21:9

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

Prelude

Shirlene Everhart

Welcome and Announcements

WELCOME ON THIS PALM SUNDAY!

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]: Heavenly Father, on this Palm Sunday, we once again experience Your Son's dramatic entrance into Jerusalem, and also realize that our own lives have been a journey in which we have given all praise and glory to Christ Jesus. Yet, we also know that we have often transgressed Your will and fallen in weakness. We have sinned in thought, word and deed. Our language has not always been appropriate, nor have our thoughts always been pure. For all these sins we come now in confession, and humbly seek Your pardon and mercy. As we today begin Holy Week in Your name, please forgive us, for the sake of Christ's suffering and death on our behalf, and may our lives continue to serve our Savior in great joy and peace. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Declaration of Grace

[Pastor]: On this Palm Sunday, the Bible tells us that we are to penitently and sincerely confess our sins. Having done so in faith, we now humbly seek the forgiveness of Almighty God, for Jesus' sake. Christ has paid the price for our sins through His suffering and death at Calvary. Thus, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and according to His Word and promise, I announce the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Opening Hymn*Il Glory, Laud, and Honor, #95***Children's Sermonette:***'Happy stones!'**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***Zechariah 9:9-10 [NKJV]*

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He *is* just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim And the horse from Jerusalem; The battle bow shall be cut off. He shall speak peace to the nations; His dominion *shall be* 'from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.'

Epistle Lesson*Philippians 2:5-11 [NKJV]*

⁵ Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross. ⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*[If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Gospel]***Gospel Lesson***Matthew 21:1-11 [NKJV]*

¹ Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose *them* and bring *them* to Me. ³ And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and immediately he will send them." ⁴ All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: ⁵ "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.' " ⁶ So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set *Him* on them. ⁸ And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down

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.

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.**

Beautiful Savior, #177

Sermon: *"The King of kings in humble entrance!"* Matthew 21:9
Pastor Robert McDonald

Message Notes:

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Prayers of the Church

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***God Be with You Till We Meet Again, #251**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***

**Choir practice is on vacation.**

## ***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!***

***March 31, Sunday - Easter Sunday***

***April 15, Monday - 9 am Women's Bible Study  
10 am Council Meeting***

***May 5, 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 20, Monday - 9 am Women's Bible Study  
10 am Council Meeting***

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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**
 ~ **11:15 am** **30-minute Bible Study**

3rd Monday **9:00 am** **Women's Bible**
 10:00 am **Council Meeting**

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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.

