# **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**



FOR THE LAMB WHO IS IN THE MIDST OF THE THRONE WILL SHEPHERD THEM AND LEAD THEM To living fountains of waters. And god will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Revelation 7:17

# **Community Lutheran Church**

The purpose of our Community is: کی "Building Committed Followers of Jesus Christ" کی المحمی The purpose of our Community is:

Prelude

Aretta Engelhardt or Shirlene Everhart

#### Welcome and Announcements

## Prayer of Confession of Sin

(Everyone): Gracious Heavenly Father, on this All Saints Sunday, as last Sunday we remembered the Reformation, today we celebrate the spiritual status of all believers who are called 'saints' because their sins are symbolically covered with the blood of Christ in faith! Thus, we are comforted by the fact that Christ accomplished for us our salvation on the cross. We are also comforted with the peace that our Christian loved ones who have passed away have gone to be with our Savior! Please forgive our many sins for Jesus' sake, as we look to Christ's suffering and death for pardon. Give us as forgiven saints the strength and spiritual zeal to follow Your Son's guidance in our lives, and grant us a joyful life of service to You, as we plead only the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ for forgiveness. In His Name we pray. Amen.

#### **Declaration of Grace**

(Pastor): Welcome, fellow saints in Christ! The Bible tells us that we are to take every opportunity that God provides to share our faith! May the Lord give to each of us this next week the chance to tell someone about Jesus Christ as the only way to heaven. Bring us each day to Calvary in confession and repentance. Christ has promised to us His forgiveness because of His suffering and death. Thus, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, and in the stead and by command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I announce the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Peace be with you! Amen.

**Opening Hymn** 

For All the Saints, #164

Children's Sermonette:

"What is a Saint?"

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

## Revelation 7:9-17 [NKJV]

<sup>9</sup>After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup> and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation *belongs* to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup> All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, *Be* to our God forever and ever. Amen." <sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?" <sup>14</sup> And I said to him, "Sir, you know." So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. <sup>16</sup> They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; <sup>17</sup> for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

#### Second Lesson

# I John 3:1-3 [NKJV]

<sup>1</sup>Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of <sup>1</sup>God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.<sup>2</sup> Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, iust as He is pure.

[If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Gospel]

## Gospel Lesson

## Matthew 5:1-12 [NKJV]

<sup>1</sup> And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. <sup>2</sup> Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: <sup>3</sup> "Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted. <sup>5</sup>Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup>Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. <sup>7</sup>Blessed *are* the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy. <sup>8</sup>Blessed *are* the pure in heart, For they shall see God. <sup>9</sup>Blessed *are* the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God. <sup>10</sup>Blessed *are* those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup>Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great *is* your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

## 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:

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones, #166

Sermon: 'Heaven is populated by forgiven saints!" Revelation 7:17 Pastor Robert McDonald

Message Notes:			

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Message Notes cont'd:

Prayers of the Church

**Communion Hymn** 

#### 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.

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Distribution,

Benediction

Sending Hymn

Behold the Host Arrayed in White, #624

Pastor: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord. Everyone: Thanks be to God

**Postlude Music** 

# Things going on during the week:

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

#### Choir 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!

#### November 3, Sunday - Love Offering ... for Missions

Once a quarter, we will be collecting a special offering in he '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.

**November 18, Monday** - 9 am All Church Bible Study [All women & men are invited to attend.] 10 or 10:30 am Council Meeting Community Lutheran Church, AFLC\*: 760.722.3337 4507 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, CA 92057 www.cloceanside.com

**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



# Weekly Schedule:

Sundays: 10:00 am Worship Service & Sunday School 11:00 am Community Fellowship Time ~ 11:15 am 30-minitue Bible Study

3rd Monday 9:00 am All Church Bible Study 10:00 or 10:30 am Council Meeting

#### Choir practice is on vacation.

For more information, please visit: **Website: www.cloceanside.com Facebook Page: Community Lutheran Oceanside AFLC [Association of Free Lutheran Congregations]: aflc.org** 

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#### 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.