



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

Note: P: = Pastor    C: = Congregation

## **Prelude**

*Aretta Engelhardt or 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.*

*P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen.**

## **Confession and Absolution:**

*P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.*

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

*P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As your called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

## **Opening Hymn**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, #171*

## **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 Reading***

*Amos 8:4-7 [NASB]*

<sup>4</sup>Hear this, you who trample the needy, to put an end to the humble of the land, <sup>5</sup>saying, “When will the new moon be over, So that we may sell grain; And the Sabbath, so that we may open the wheat *market*, To make the ephah smaller and the shekel bigger, And to cheat with dishonest scales, <sup>6</sup>So as to buy the helpless for money, And the needy for a pair of sandals, And *that* we may sell the refuse of the wheat?” <sup>7</sup>The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob, “Indeed, I will never forget any of their deeds.

### ***The Psalmody***

*Psalm 113 [NASB]*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the Lord! Praise *Him*, you servants of the Lord, Praise the name of the Lord. <sup>2</sup>Blessed be the name of the Lord From this time *on* and forever. <sup>3</sup>From  the rising of the sun to its setting, The name of the Lord is to be praised. <sup>4</sup>The Lord is high above all nations; His glory is above the heavens. <sup>5</sup>Who is like the Lord our God, Who is enthroned on high, <sup>6</sup>Who looks far down to The heavens and the earth? <sup>7</sup>He raises the poor from the dust, He lifts the needy from the garbage heap, <sup>8</sup>To seat *them* with noblemen, With the noblemen of His people. <sup>9</sup>He has the infertile woman live in the house As a joyful mother of children. Praise the Lord!

### ***Second Reading***

*1 Timothy 2:1-15 [NASB]*

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that requests, prayers, intercession, *and* thanksgiving be made in behalf of all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who wants all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God, *and* one mediator also between God and mankind, *the* Man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony *given* at the proper time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed as a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), as a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. <sup>8</sup>Therefore I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger and dispute. <sup>9</sup>Likewise, *I want* women to adorn themselves with proper clothing, modestly and discreetly, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or expensive apparel, <sup>10</sup>but rather by means of good works, as is proper for women making a claim to godliness. <sup>11</sup>A woman must quietly receive instruction with entire submissiveness. <sup>12</sup>But I do not allow a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet. <sup>13</sup>For *it was* Adam *who* was first created, *and* then Eve. <sup>14</sup>And *it was not* Adam *who* was deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a wrongdoer. <sup>15</sup>But women will be preserved through childbirth—if they continue in faith, love, and sanctity, with moderation.

## Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-15 [NASB]

<sup>1</sup> Now He was also saying to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and this manager was reported to him as squandering his possessions. <sup>2</sup> And he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an accounting of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' <sup>3</sup> And the manager said to himself, 'What am I to do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig; I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup> I know what I will do, so that when I am removed from the management people will welcome me into their homes.' <sup>5</sup> And he summoned each one of his master's debtors, and he began saying to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' <sup>6</sup> And he said, 'A hundred jugs of oil.' And he said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' <sup>7</sup> Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' And he said, 'A hundred kors of wheat.' He \*said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' <sup>8</sup> And his master complimented the unrighteous manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the sons of this age are more shrewd in relation to their own kind than the sons of light. <sup>9</sup> And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of the wealth of unrighteousness, so that when it is all gone, they will receive you into the eternal dwellings. <sup>10</sup> "The one who is faithful in a very little thing is also faithful in much; and the one who is unrighteous in a very little thing is also unrighteous in much. <sup>11</sup> Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true wealth to you? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been faithful in the use of that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? <sup>13</sup> No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." <sup>14</sup> Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, were listening to all these things and were ridiculing Him. <sup>15</sup> And He said to them, "You are the ones who justify yourselves in the sight of people, but God knows your hearts; because that which is highly esteemed among people is detestable in the sight of God.

## 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.*

**c: 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.**



**Communion Hymn:***Amazing Grace, #578*

*Everyone who confesses Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and believes that He is truly present in this meal 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.*

*Communion — If you prefer grape juice instead of wine, please hold up 2 fingers when you reach the person with the cups.*

*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:**

*P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen**

**Sending Hymn:***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing, #187*

*P: Serve the Lord and Go in Peace. C: Thanks be to God*

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**Postlude Music**





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### Weekly Schedule:

**Sundays:**      **10:00 am**    **Worship Service & Sunday School**  
                      **11:00 am**    **Community Fellowship Time**  
                      **30-minute Bible Study**  
                      **~11:15 am**    **Council Meeting, on 3rd Sunday of each month**

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.

