

THE GREAT I AM



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

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise, #184

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

Exodus 3:1-15 [NASB]

¹ Now Moses was pasturing the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; and he led the flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² Then the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush; and he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, yet the bush was not being consumed. ³ So Moses said, "I must turn aside and see this marvelous sight, why the bush is not burning up!" ⁴ When the Lord saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then He said, "Do not come near here; remove your sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ And He said, "I am the God of your father—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Then Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. ⁷ And the Lord said, "I have certainly seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their outcry because of their taskmasters, for I am aware of their sufferings. ⁸ So I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite. ⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the sons of Israel has come to Me; furthermore, I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians are oppressing them. ¹⁰ And now come, and I will send you to Pharaoh, so that you may bring My people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹² And He said, "Assuredly I will be with you, and this shall be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God at this mountain." ¹³ Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "This is what you shall say to the sons of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵ God furthermore said to Moses, "This is what you shall say to the sons of Israel: 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is My name forever, and this is the name for all generations *to use* to call upon Me.

The Psalmody

Psalm 148 [NASB]

¹ Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! ² Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His *heavenly* armies! ³ Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all stars of light! ⁴ Praise Him, highest heavens, And the waters that are above the heavens! ⁵ They are to praise the name of the Lord, For He commanded and they were created. ⁶ He has also established them forever and ever; He has made a

decree, and it will not pass away. ⁷ Praise the Lord from the earth, Sea monsters, and all the ocean depths; ⁸ Fire and hail, snow and clouds; Stormy wind, fulfilling His word; ⁹ Mountains and all hills; Fruit trees and all cedars; ¹⁰ Animals and all cattle; Crawling things and winged fowl; ¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples; Rulers and all judges of the earth; ¹² Both young men and virgins; Old men and children. ¹³ They are to praise the name of the Lord, For His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven. ¹⁴ And He has lifted up a horn for His people, Praise for all His godly ones, For the sons of Israel, a people near to Him. Praise the Lord!

Second Reading

II Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17 [NASB]

¹ Now we ask you, brothers *and sisters*, regarding the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, ² that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit, or a message, or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³ No one is to deceive you in any way! For *it will not come* unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God. ⁵ Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things? ⁶ And you know what restrains *him* now, so that he will be revealed in his time. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains *will do so* until He is removed. ⁸ Then that lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will eliminate with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; ~~~ ¹³ But we should always give thanks to God for you, brothers *and sisters* beloved by the Lord, because God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth. ¹⁴ It was for this He called you through our gospel, that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers *and sisters*, stand firm and hold on to the traditions which you were taught, whether by word *of mouth* or by letter from us. ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal comfort and good hope by grace, ¹⁷ comfort and strengthen your hearts in every good work and word.

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

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-40 [NASB]

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Luke the 20th chapter.

Everyone: Glory to you oh Lord.

²⁷ Now some of the Sadducees (who maintain that there is no resurrection) came to Him, ²⁸ and they questioned Him, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife, and he is childless, that his brother is to marry the wife and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ So then, there were seven brothers; and the first took a wife and died childless; ³⁰ and the second ³¹ and the third married her; and in the

same way all seven died, leaving no children. ³² Finally the woman also died. ³³ Therefore, in the resurrection, which one's wife does the woman become? For all seven married her." ³⁴ Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and *the women* are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; ³⁶ for they cannot even die anymore, for they are like angels, and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷ But *as for* the fact that the dead are raised, even Moses revealed *this* in the *passage about the burning bush*, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now He is not the God of the dead, but of the living; for all live to Him." ³⁹ Some of the scribes answered and said, "Teacher, You have spoken well." ⁴⁰ For they did not have the courage to question Him any longer about anything.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Everyone: Praise to you oh Christ.

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.

Sermon Hymn:

Rock of Ages, #398

Sermon:

"The Great I Am"

Pastor Chris Gallagher

Message Notes:

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Message Notes cont'd:

Prayers of the Church

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

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 Almighty King, #135*

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

Mark Your Calendar

All the following are Sunday dates:

November 9, 2025 - after worship & fellowship—Council Meeting
November 16, 23, 30, 2025 - 30-minute Bible Study after Worship & refreshments

December 7, 14, 2025 - 30-minute Bible Study after Worship & refreshments
December 21, 2025 - after worship & fellowship—Council Meeting
December 28, 2025 - 30-minute Bible Study after Worship & refreshments



Advent Notes

**We will not be having Wednesday Advent Services this year.
 Please attend one of the following**

Faith Lutheran Church—Vista

700 East Bobier Drive, Vista CA 92084
 760.724.7700
info@faithvista.org

Advent services on December 3, 10, 17
 at Noon & 6:30 pm with dinner at 5:30pm
 in our gym. please call for details.

Immanuel Oceanside

1900 S Nevada St, Oceanside, CA 92054
 760.458.6570
<https://www.immanueloceanside.com/>

Wednesdays in December 3, 10, 17
 at 7pm

Or a church closer to your home.

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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.

