



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

Note: P: = Pastor C: = Congregation R = Reader

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

What a Friend We Have in Jesus, #173

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

Offertory Prayer

P: *Blessed are you,*

C: **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

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

Zechariah 9:9-12 [NASB]

⁹ Rejoice greatly, daughter of Zion! Shout *in triumph*, daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is righteous and endowed with salvation, Humble, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the of a donkey. ¹⁰ And I will eliminate the chariot from Ephraim And the horse from Jerusalem; And the bow of war will be eliminated. And He will speak peace to the nations; And His dominion will be from sea to sea, And from the *Euphrates* River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of *My* covenant with you, I have set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹² Return to the stronghold, you prisoners who have the hope; This very day I am declaring that I will restore double to you.

The Psalmody:

Psalm 145:1-14 [NASB]

R: ¹ **will exalt You, my God, the King, And I will bless Your name forever and ever.**

C: ² Every day I will bless You, And I will praise Your name forever and ever.

R: ³ **Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised; And His greatness is unsearchable.**

C: ⁴ One generation will praise Your works to another, And will declare Your mighty acts.

R: ⁵ **On the glorious splendor of Your majesty And on Your wonderful works, I will meditate.**

C: ⁶ People will speak of the power of Your awesome acts, And I will tell of Your greatness.

R: ⁷ **They will burst forth in speaking of Your abundant goodness, And will shout joyfully of Your righteousness.**

C: ⁸ The Lord is gracious and compassionate; Slow to anger and great in mercy.

R: ⁹ **The Lord is good to all, And His mercies are over all His works.**

C: ¹⁰ All Your works will give thanks to You, Lord, And Your godly ones will bless You.

R: ¹¹ **They will speak of the glory of Your kingdom, And talk of Your might,**

C: ¹² To make known to the sons of mankind Your mighty acts, And the glory of the majesty of Your kingdom.

R: ¹³ **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,**

C: ¹⁴ The Lord supports all who fall, And raises up all who are bowed down.

Second Reading:*Romans 7:14-25a[NASB]*

¹⁴ For we know that the Law is spiritual, but I am fleshly, sold into bondage to Sin.

¹⁵ For I do not understand what I am doing; for I am not practicing what I want *to do*, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ However, if I do the very thing I do not want *to do*, I agree with the Law, that *the Law is good*. ¹⁷ But now, no longer am I *the one* doing it, but sin that dwells in me. ¹⁸ For I know that good does not dwell in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good *is not*. ¹⁹ For the good that I want, I do not do, but I practice the very evil that I do not want. ²⁰ But if I do the very thing I do not want, I am no longer *the one* doing it, but sin that dwells in me. ²¹ I find then the principle that evil is present in me, the one who wants to do good. ²² For I joyfully agree with the law of God in the inner person, ²³ but I see a different law in the parts of my body waging war against the law of my mind, and making me a prison-er of the law of sin, *the law* which is in my body's parts. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Gospel Reading*Matthew 11:25-30 [NASB]*

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Matthew the 11th chapter.

Everyone: Glory to you oh Lord.

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from *the wise and intelligent*, and have revealed them to infants. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this way was well pleasing in Your sight. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to Me by My Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father; nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and anyone to whom the Son determines to reveal *Him*. ²⁸ "Come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. ³⁰ For My yoke is comfortable, and My burden is light."

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

Communion Hymn:*Take My Life and Let it Be, #453*

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

P: Serve the Lord and Go in Peace.

C: Thanks be to God

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**Postlude Music**

# Mark Your Calendar

All the following are Sunday dates:

**July 5, 2026 - 30-minute Bible Study after Worship & refreshments**

**July 12, 2026 - 30-minute Bible Study after Worship & refreshments**

**July 19, 2026 - after worship & fellowship—Council Meeting**

**July 26, 2026 - 30-minute Bible Study after Worship & refreshments**

**August 2, 2026** - Once a quarter, we will be collecting a special offering in the 'Missions Giving Box' on your way in or 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 2026 on the first Sunday in February, May, August & November.



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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:

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.