



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

Note: *P:* = Pastor

C: = Congregation

R = Reader

Prelude

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

Take My Life and Let it Be, #453

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

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 [NASB]

¹ This is what the Lord says: "Guard justice and do righteousness, For My salvation is about to come And My righteousness to be revealed.."

⁶ "Also the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, To attend to His service and to love the name of the Lord, To be His servants, every one who keeps the Sabbath so as not to profane it, And holds firmly to My covenant;

⁷ Even those I will bring to My holy mountain, And make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be acceptable on My altar; For My house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples."

⁸ The Lord God, who gathers the dispersed of Israel, declares, "I will yet gather others to them, to those already gathered."

The Psalmody

Psalm 67 [NASB]

R: ¹ God be gracious to us and bless us,
And cause His face to shine upon us— Selah

C: ² That Your way may be known on the earth, Your salvation among all nations.

R: ³ May the peoples praise You, God; May all the peoples praise You.

C: ⁴ May the nations be glad and sing for joy; For You will judge the peoples with fairness And guide the nations on the earth. Selah

R: ⁵ May the peoples praise You, God; May all the peoples praise You.

C: ⁶ The earth has yielded its produce; God, our God, blesses us.

R: ⁷ God blesses us, So that all the ends of the earth may fear Him.

Second Reading:

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32 [NASB]

¹ I say then, God has not rejected His people, has He? Far from it! For I too am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. ² God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew.

¹³ But I am speaking to you who are Gentiles. Therefore insofar as I am an

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apostle of Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴ if somehow I may move my own people to jealousy and save some of them. ¹⁵ For if their rejection proves to be the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

²⁸ In relation to the gospel they are enemies on your account, but in relation to God's choice they are beloved on account of the fathers; ²⁹ for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰ For just as you once were disobedient to God, but now have been shown mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹ so these also now have been disobedient, that because of the mercy shown to you they also may now be shown mercy. ³² For God has shut up all in disobedience, so that He may show mercy to all.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:21-28 [NASB]

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Mathew the 15th chapter.

Everyone: Glory to you oh Lord.

²¹ Jesus went away from there, and withdrew into the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² And a Canaanite woman from that region came out and began to cry out, saying, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely demon-possessed." ²³ But He did not answer her with even a word. And His disciples came up and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, because she keeps shouting at us!"

²⁴ But He answered and said, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵ But she came and began to bow down before Him, saying, "Lord, help me!"

²⁶ Yet He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷ And she said, "Yes, Lord; but please help, for even the dogs feed on the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸ Then Jesus said to her, "O woman, your faith is great; it shall be done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed at once.

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:

Praise to the Lord The Almighty, #171

Sermon:

"Lost Sheep Of Israel"

Pastor Gallagher

Message Notes:

Prayers of the Church:

Communion Hymn:

What a Friend We Have in Jesus, #173

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

P: Sending Hymn:

What Can Wash Away My Sin, #557

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:

**August 16, 2026 - after worship & fellowship—Council Meeting**

**August 23, 2026 - 30-minute Bible Study after Worship & refreshments**

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

**November 1, 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.