



Blessed to Bless

Welcome!

November 9, 2025

Guests, we're glad you're here! Today we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

All those who confess Christ Jesus as their Lord and Savior and desire to follow Him are welcomed to His Table.

Baptized children of believing parents are invited to join us. For all, we hope God's love in Jesus comes home to you in a deeper way today.

SONGS & PRAYER

GOD'S WORD

Matthew 6:5-15

**Sermon on the Mount:
Counter Culture
"Heart of Prayer"**

LORD'S SUPPER

PARTING

Song
God's Blessing

Prayer Pointer

*You also must help us by prayer,
so that many will give thanks on our
behalf for the blessing granted us
through the prayers of many.*

- 2 Corinthians 1:11

Outline

Matthew 6:5-15

Sermon on the Mount: Counter Culture “Heart of Prayer”

1. Pray Not Like This . . .
2. “How You Should Pray”
3. “In Jesus Name We Pray”

Announcements

This Sunday, November 9, we will celebrate the **Lord's Supper**.

Friendship Fellowship will meet Monday, November 10, at 6:00 p.m. at Rosewood Family Restaurant, 10769 South Street, Cerritos. Come enjoy some great fun and fellowship with our church family. Anyone 55 and older invited. Questions? Call Larry Vander Schaaf at 562-900-1770.

Our second offering for November 16 will be received for **World Renew**, a joint Canadian and US relief organization, compelled by God's deep passion for justice & mercy, which joins communities around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation.

Our financial support of this organization enables them, with the help of hundreds of volunteers, to respond to flooding and fire disasters in the US, natural (typhoon) disasters, work for justice in different levels of government in Honduras, work with people in third world countries with promoting better farming practices and/or starting small businesses, and much more.

Mark your calendars for special services and dates:

- All Church Night, November 12, 6:00 p.m. Our last All Church Night of the fall is right around the corner. We will start with dinner, fellowship and fun. Service will be at the center of our focus of the night. First off, we will get a

chance to hear about the great work being done at the Long Beach Rescue Mission. Then we will serve by packing Christmas stockings with gifts and essentials for the people the mission serves. The deacons have purchased all necessary supplies. We need all of you to come and help us pack them up and write a note of blessing. This is a financially costly service. Please consider contributing to this need on Wednesday. Each Stocking cost about \$20 and we will be packing around 300.

- Regular Wednesday night Activities, November 19, December 3 & 10.
- November 23 & 30, no Sunday School Classes.
- *Thanksgiving Service* will be the Wednesday night before Thanksgiving, November 26 at 6:30 p.m. No Wednesday night activities. Join us in the Social Hall following the service for pie and a time of fellowship. The offering will be for Long Beach Rescue Mission.
- *Prince of Peace Pageant*, December 6 & 7 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. LBCRC Choir on Saturday night inside our church and Valley Christian Handbells on Sunday night.
- *Christmas Eve Service* will be at 6:00 p.m. on December 24.
- No Wednesday night Activities December 17, 24 and 31.
- Sunday School will meet December 7 & 14. No Sunday School, December 21 & 28. Sunday School will resume January 7, 2026.
- Wednesday activities resume January 7, 2026.

Three sweet babies on the way, and all the sports that fill each busy day. May these meals bring love and rest, a small gift for Eric and Holli to truly feel blessed. What is **Meal Train**? When a friend is in need, everyone asks "What can I do to help?" The answer is always to provide support through a meal. When many friends provide support

through a meal, Meal Train keeps everyone organized. Copy and paste the URL into your web browser <https://mealtrain.com/zg3dn6>. If you're having trouble opening the link, but would like to provide a meal, contact Julie Hecox (562) 421-4177.

Requested Announcements

From The Artesia Christian Home

We're so excited to invite you to the Family Market on Saturday, December 6, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 1st Artesia CRC. We have an amazing lineup of local vendors and lots of raffle prizes.

Vendors, volunteers and talent are still wanted! If you're interested, please email info@achome.org

Paul's Missionary Journeys in

Greece (April 3 - 13. 2026): Travel by motor coach (6 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to site connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110) or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

A Time of Thanksgiving and Fellowship

Our denomination's oldest agency, Calvin Theological Seminary, is celebrating their 150th anniversary in 2026. The churches of southern California will gather on **Sunday, April 19, at 6:00 p.m., at the First CRC of Bellflower** for a regional time of worship, thanksgiving and fellowship. As we consider all the pastors who have been trained in some way by Calvin Seminary through years, and as we count up all the pastors who have served our churches and ministries, we have much for which to give thanks! Please mark the date, and plan to attend.

Serving This Sunday

(November 9, 2025)

Greeters – Di Grasmeyer,
Tammi Preswich

Ushers – Ken Bansberg,
Matt Anema, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader – Jason LeMonnier

Children's Message –
Pastor Bryan Branderhorst

Nursery – Danica VanBeek,
Colin Sprik

Helper – Violet LeMonnier

Children's Church – Sharon Sprik
Greeter – Tammi Prestwich

Campus Safety –
Kevin Van Hofwegen

Serving Next Sunday

(November 16, 2025)

Greeters – Julie Hecox

Ushers – John Bakker,
Dan Brawdy, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader – John Bakker

Children's Message –
Leneé Struiksmā

Nursery – Alice De Bruin,
Tracy Van Hofwegen

Helper – Kayla Perris

Children's Church – Heidi Bansberg
Greeter – Randy Halma

Campus Safety –
Jonathan De Vries

Calendar

This Week

Sunday

Communion Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Monday

Friendship Fellowship
6:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Coffee Break 9:30 a.m.
All Church Night 6:00 p.m.

Sunday

Sunday Service	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	10:45 a.m.

Upcoming

November 18 – Council Meets
followed by Deacon & Elder
Meetings

November 26 – Thanksgiving
Service @ 6:30 p.m.

November 29 – Set up for Pageant

December 6 & 7 -

Christmas Pageant

December 24 – Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service