

El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 23, 2020

Scattered Together

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Matthew Roy & Emily Sommermann

Welcome to Our Life Together Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

*Call to Worship Philippians 4:4-8

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be

evident to all. The Lord is near.

People: Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and

petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Leader: And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your

hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

All: Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever

is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if

anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

Hymn Of Praise <u>In Christ Alone</u> Matthew & Jess Roy

- In Christ alone my hope is found,
 He is my light, my strength, my song
 This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
 Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
 My Comforter, my All in All
 Here in the love of Christ I stand.
- In Christ alone! who took on flesh,
 Fullness of God in helpless babe.
 This gift of love and righteousness,
 Scorned by the ones He came to save
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,
 The wrath of God was satisfied
 For every sin on Him was laid
 Here in the death of Christ I live.
- 3. There in the ground His body lay,
 Light of the world by darkness slain:
 Then bursting forth in glorious day
 Up from the grave He rose again
 And as He stands in victory
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
 For I am His and He is mine
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ
- 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
 This is the power of Christ in me
 From life's first cry to final breath,
 Jesus commands my destiny
 No power of hell, no scheme of man,
 Can ever pluck me from His hand
 Till He returns or calls me home
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Confession of Sin Unison

from The Book of Common Prayer

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Take a moment to confess your sins, knowing that God hears you.

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Follow this link to give online. You can also mail or drop your tithes and offerings in the box outside the office doors. Remember our tithes and offerings are a continued act of worship and a physical act of trusting all of our lives to Jesus as we join God in his work in our community and around the world.

Prayer of Dedication for Our Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers for the Church and the World

Kirk Gilbert

For those of you worshiping at home, please take some time to pray specifically for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world.

Praise for Erica Sommermann & Gideon Gorit's wedding on August 15th.

Our Missionaries the Bultemas, Callisons, Mexico Mission Partners and Alex Smith.

Jan Tornquist, praise that her cancer is in remission.

Judy Cooper-Ashford, for recovery from knee replacement surgery.

Brian Johnson, for his safe return to work on August 3rd.

Lynette Johnson, for wisdom as the doctor's decide on her next cancer treatment plan.

Ann Marie King, for treatment of AFib and sleep apnea during these stressful times.

Bill Allmon, for his heart condition and Anita as caregiver.

George Smith, Jeffrey Smith's dad, praise for successful cancer surgery, pray for treatment.

Gordon Reisig, for a full recovery from surgery on his brain.

Ken Working, for health challenges for him and for the family.

Bereavement, for the family and friends of Art Clarke, Karen Cooper and Joyce Enright.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation

How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

- When through the woods, and forest glades I wander And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze [Refrain]
- And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin [Refrain]

Scripture Luke 7:1-10

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn of Response

Great is Thy Faithfulness

- Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
 - As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
- Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (Refrain)
- Refrain Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided — Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
- Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

*Benediction Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Dismissal by rows

Postlude

Connecting & Serving

Dear ELMO Church Family,

Thank you for the countless ways you have loved our family as we've welcomed Paige. We have felt an abundance of support these last few weeks. From Grubhub gift cards, to gifts, diapers, and the beautiful prayer shawl, we are so grateful to each of you. We feel blessed to journey with this community and thank God for the incredible gift of a church family. We look forward to being back together again soon and introducing you to our newest addition! Much love,

Kent, Melinda, Luke, Avery & Paige Raymond

Sunday Virtual Coffee and Doughnut Holes Please join us for a time of fellowship via Zoom at 11:30 am.

During this time of social distancing, God is with you! And, we're here for you by phone or online.

Office is closed, but voicemail will be checked. Rev. Tom Haugen, Pastor Suzy Dobreski, Early School Director Dr. Matthew Roy, Music Director Maryann Spradley, Office Administrator Michele Sullivan, Accountant The Entire Congregation, Ministers of the Gospel

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