



# **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

Prelude Matthew Roy

Welcome to Our Life Together Tom Haugen

**Prayer of Invocation** 

**Music of Preparation** 

\*Call to Worship Psalm 119:1-7, 10-12

Leader: Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD!

People: Blessed are those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with their whole heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways!

Leader: You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently. Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments .

People: I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous rules.

Leader: With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments!

All: I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

# **GIVING PRAISE TO GOD**

# \*Hymn Of Praise

Living Hope

1. How great the chasm that lay between us,
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness, Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul;
The work is finished, the end is written:
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

#### Chorus:

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free, Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me. You have broken every chain, There's salvation in Your name: Jesus Christ, my living hope. 2. Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven;
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

## Bridge:

Then came the morning that sealed the promise, Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of silence, the roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me.

## Chorus

## Confession of Sin Unison

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. Cleanse me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Amen.

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

# **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Romans 8:34

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Leader: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

# GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Go to our website or follow this <u>link to give online</u>. 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

Lauri Haugen

## **Music of Reflection**

\*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 & the World

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn of Preparation Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him

1. Praise the Lord! ye heav'ns, adore Him; Praise Him angels in the height; Sun and moon, rejoice before Him; Praise Him, all ye stars of light. Praise the Lord! for He hath spoken; Worlds His mighty voice obeyed; Laws which never shall be broken For their guidance He hath made.

2. Praise the Lord! for He is glorious;
Never shall His promise fail;
God hath made His saints victorious;
Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation!
Hosts on high, His pow'r proclaim;
Heav'n and earth and all creation,
Laud and magnify His name.

3. Worship, honor, glory, blessing, Lord, we offer unto Thee; Young and old, Thy praise expressing, In glad homage bend the knee. All the saints in heav'n adore Thee; We would bow before Thy throne: As Thine angels serve before Thee, So on earth Thy will be done. Scripture Matthew 5:21-48

Sermon Up There, Down Here—The Sermon on the Mount

Tom Haugen

"A Whole New Way"

## GOING IN GOD'S NAME

# \*Hymn of Response

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. 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.

#### 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!

 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

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine 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

Dismissal by rows

Postlude

# Caring

Please take some time to pray specifically for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world. Direct Prayer Requests to elmoprayers@gmail.com.

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

Jim George, for recovery from pneumonia.

Monica Eiler, for recovery from back surgery.

Curtis Whiteman, for continued recovery.

Emily Sommermann, for healing of a broken wrist.

Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.

Marilyn Nichols, for strength and the ability to function safely at home on her own.

Lynette Johnson, for her continued cancer treatment plan.

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

George Smith, Jeffrey Smith's dad, for perseverance, strength and healing during Hospice care.

Gordon Reisig, for peace for him Darlene and the family while he is on hospice care at home.

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

Bereavement, pray for the family and friends of LouAnn Treloar and Faustino Martinez, one of our Mexico Mission Partners.

# **Connecting & Serving**

## Sermon Series: Up There, Down Here - Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5-7, Jan. - Feb., 2021

"The Sermon on the Mount is not a set of principles to be obeyed apart from identification with Jesus Christ. The Sermon on the Mount is a statement of the life we will live when the Holy Spirit is getting his way with us." *Oswald Chambers*. In the greatest sermon ever preached, the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus teaches his followers what life looks like when heaven and earth come together, when up there comes down here. There is a reason Jesus taught us to pray, "Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." This winter let's dive into the best known but least understood part of the teachings of Jesus as we explore what up there, down here looks like at El Montecito Presbyterian Church.

#### New Emails and Newsletters: 2021

A new format of ELMO emails are going out from the office on Wednesday each week. If you have not received an email in the last few weeks, please check your Spam or Promotions folder. If you would like to receive our emails, please contact Maryann at admin@elmopres.org to get added to the list, you can unsubscribe at any time. There is also a bi-monthly ELMO Pres Family Newsletter from our Assistant Pastor to Families, if you would like to be on this email list please contact LauriHaugen@elmopres.org to be added.

## Offering Envelopes for 2021

Please pick up your box of offering envelopes for 2021 if you are attending Church in the Courtyard. If you are unable to pick up your box, it will be coming in the mail.

# 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.

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