



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Matthew Roy

Welcome to Our Life Together Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship Psalm 62:1-8

Leader: Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him.

People: Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

Leader: How long will you assault me? Would all of you throw me down—this leaning wall, this tottering fence?

People: Surely they intend to topple me from my lofty place; they take delight in lies. With their mouths they bless, but in their hearts they curse.

Leader: Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.

People: Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.

Leader: My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

All: Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

*Hymn Of Praise Holy, Holy, Holy Deborah Bertling

- 1. Holy, holy, holy!
 Lord God Almighty!
 Early in the morning
 Our song shall rise to Thee;
 Holy, holy, holy!
 Merciful and mighty!
 God in three Persons,
 Blessed Trinity!
- 3. Holy, holy, holy!
 Though the darkness hide Thee,
 Though the eye of sinful man
 Thy glory may not see;
 Only Thou art holy—
 There is none beside Thee,
 Perfect in pow'r,
 In love and purity.
- 2. Holy, holy, holy!
 All the saints adore Thee,
 Casting down their golden crowns
 Around the glassy sea;
 Cherubim and seraphim
 Falling down before Thee,
 Which wert and art
 And evermore shalt be.
- 4. Holy, holy, holy!
 Lord God Almighty!
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name
 In earth and sky and sea;
 Holy, holy, holy!
 Merciful and mighty!
 God in three Persons,
 Blessed Trinity!

Confession of Sin Unison from John Wesley

Forgive them all, O Lord: our sins of omission and our sins of commission; the sins of our youth and the sins of our riper years; the sins of our souls and the sins of our bodies; our secret and our more open sins; our sins of ignorance and surprise, and our more deliberate and presumptuous sins; the sins we have done to please others; the sins we know and remember, and the sins we have forgotten; the sins we have striven to hide from others and the sins by which we have made others offend; forgive them, O Lord, forgive them all for his sake, who died for our sins and rose for our justification, and now stands at thy right hand to make intercession for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 5:1

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

To give, there are baskets near the entrance to the Courtyard, you can also mail or drop your tithes and offerings in the box outside the office doors or follow this link to give online. 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

Ginger Ketzel

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

My Hope is in the Lord

1. My hope is in the Lord Who gave Himself for me, And paid the price of all my sin at Calvary.

Refrain:

For me He died, for me He lives, And everlasting life and light He freely gives.

No merit of my own His anger to suppress, My only hope is found in Jesus' righteousness.

Refrain

3. And now for me He stands Before the Father's throne, He shows His wounded hands, and names me as His own. **Refrain**

4. His grace has planned it all, 'Tis mine but to believe, And recognize His work of love and Christ receive. **Refrain**

Scripture Psalm 74

Singing the Blues—Psalms of Lament

"Hope Rising from the Ashes"

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Sermon

The Church's One Foundation

- 1. The Church's one foundation
 Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
 She is His new creation
 By water and the Word:
 From heav'n He came and sought her
 To be His holy bride;
 With His own blood He bought her
 And for her life He died.
- 3. 'Mid toil and tribulation
 And tumult of her war,
 She waits the consummation
 Of peace forevermore;
 Till with the vision glorious
 Her longing eyes are blest,
 And the great Church victorious
 Shall be the Church at rest.
- 2. Elect from every nation,
 Yet one o'er all the earth,
 Her charter of salvation:
 One Lord, one faith, one birth;
 One holy name she blesses,
 Partakes one holy food;
 And to one hope she presses,
 With every grace endued.

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4. Yet she on earth has union
With God, the Three in One,
And mystic, sweet communion
With those whose rest is won;
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

*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 **prayers@elmopres.org**

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

Judith Wilson, praise for a healthy outcome and prayer for recovery from recent surgery.

Betsy Knight, for peace and stamina as she continues her recovery.

Monica Eiler, for recovery from back surgery.

Curtis Whiteman, for continued recovery.

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.

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 Don Schmidt.

Connecting & Serving

Men's Bible Study: Thursdays, 9:00 AM in the Courtyard

You're invited to join us for the continued study of the Gospel according to Matthew. Please bring your Bible, a cup of coffee and bring your mask.

Elder/Deacon Nomination Form

The 2021 Nominating Committee invites you to recommend spiritually mature Covenant Partners whom you believe should be considered to serve in leadership positions as Elders or Deacons for a three year term. Please see the attached form to be filled out and returned to Ginger Ketzel by Friday, March 26th.

Sanctuary is available for Prayer

Lent is an important season to reflect on Scripture, pray, and allow ourselves the space to lament and cling tightly to the cross in a way that causes our souls to grieve and hope. If you would like to spend some time praying in the sanctuary, please contact Maryann Spradley (admin@elmopres.org) to reserve your time.

Back to Basics: Returning Discipleship to the Church, Wednesdays April 7—28

After Easter, we're offering a 4 week discipleship class hosted by ECO's Synod Executive, Dr. Dana Allin. In this class we'll utilize the principles found in Dana's book, Simple Discipleship: Grow Your Faith Transform Your Community, to help create a clear and replicable discipleship plan for our lives and our church.

We'll meet via Zoom from 7-8 PM on Wednesday for four weeks beginning on April 7th. In order to make the most of our time, there will be an additional hour of work between sessions to focus on a personal discipleship plan and a pathway to get there. A flourishing church is a church that makes disciples of Jesus Christ. To register for this class please email Maryann Spradley at admin@elmopres.org. We hope you'll join us for this class! Class schedule on our website.

Welcome to El Montecito

Welcome visitors! We are glad you chose to worship with us today in the Courtyard. Please fill out the Visitor Card that can be found at the entrance so that we can get to know you better and to receive our weekly emails. You can also connect with us on our website at: elmopres.org or on Instagram @elmopres.

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

Rev. Lauri Haugen, Asst. Pastor to Families

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Carl Perry, Finance & Property
Mary Slater, Human Resources
Jeffrey Smith, Children & Youth Ministries

Deacons

Betty Delk, Co-Moderator
Jeff Delk, Co-Moderator
Bob Aguirre, At-Large
Sandy Aguirre, Friendship Visitation
Anita Allmon
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Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifts
Melissa Hillegas, Hospital Visitation
Pam Jepson, Care Notes
Paul Jepson, Early School Committee
Nancy Johnke, Coffee Fellowship
Martha Kay, Chancel Flowers & Distribution



RECOMMEND A COVENANT PARTNER FOR CONSIDERATION AS ELDER OR DEACON

The 2021 Nominating Team invites you to recommend spiritually mature Covenant Partners whom you believe should be considered to serve in leadership positions as Elders and Deacons for a three-year term, or to fill vacant terms, beginning in July 2021.

To recommend someone for an Elder or Deacon position please complete the form below and place it in the offering plate, leave it at the ELMO Office or email it to Ginger Ketzel, Chair at GingerKetzel@aol.com by Friday, March 26, 2021.

Position: ElderDeacon
Name of covenant partner (please use a separate sheet for each person):
In what ELMO ministries has this person recently been involved?
Why do you think this person would be good for this leadership role?
Your Name:
Phone () Emails