



Sunday, June 20, 2021

Church in the Courtyard

You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand. **Psalm 16:11**

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Matthew Roy

Welcome to Our Life Together Kirk Gilbert

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation Alita Rhodes

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship Psalm 16:8-11

Leader: I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

People: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

Leader: For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

People: You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy;

Leader: at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

All: Praise be to God!

*Hymn Of Praise

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Deborah Bertling

- 1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love;
 Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
 Opening to the sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
 Drive the dark of doubt away;
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 Fill us with the light of day.
- 2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in Thee.
- 3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
 Ever blessing, ever blest,
 Wellspring of the joy of living,
 Ocean depth of happy rest!
 Thou our Father, Christ our Brother—
 All who live in love are Thine;
 Teach us how to love each other,
 Lift us to the joy divine.
- 4. Mortals, join the happy chorus Which the morning stars began; Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man. Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife, Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life.

Confession of Sin Unison

O most merciful God, who pardons all who truly repent and turn to you; we humbly confess our sins. We have not loved you with a pure heart. Neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justly, nor loved mercy, nor walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, according to your loving-kindness. According to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out our iniquity. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation and uphold us with your Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Lamentations 3:22-23

Because of the LORD's greatest love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Pastor: 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

Janet Gates

Music of Reflection

You Have Searched Me

Jocelyn Haugen

- 1. You have searched me and You know me; You know when I sit and when I rise.
 Lord, You made me, understand me; You see where I walk and where I lie.
 Before a word is on my tongue,
 Behold, O Lord, You know it all.
 Ever with me, all around me;
 To think on it is too wonderful.
- 2. Where could I go from Your Spirit?

 If up to the heavens, You are there;

 If I dwell in deepest darkness,

 The light of Your presence finds me there.

 If I should rise on wings of dawn,

 Or settle on a distant shore,

 Even then, Your hand will guide me;

 You're holding me fast for evermore.

Refrain:

Search me, know my heart; Lord, test my attitudes. Save me from where I have strayed To walk in Your everlasting way.

3. For You saw my unformed body;
You knit me within the secret place.
I will praise You, for I have been
So fearfully wonderfully made.
How vast the sum of all Your thoughts;
O, how much higher are Your ways.
I will turn from all that's evil,
To live in Your goodness all my days.

*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

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

- Jesus, Thou Joy of loving hearts,
 Thou Fount of life, Thou Light of men,
 From the best bliss that earth imparts,
 We turn unfilled to Thee again.
- 2. Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood,
 Thou safest those that on Thee call;
 To them that seek Thee, Thou art good,
 To them that find Thee, all in all.
- 3. We taste Thee, O Thou living Bread, And long to feast upon Thee still; We drink of Thee, the Fountainhead, And thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

- 4. Our restless spirits yearn for Thee, Where'er our changeful lot is cast: Glad when Thy gracious smile we see, Blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.
- 5. O Jesus, ever with us stay, Make all our moments calm and bright; Chase the dark night of sin away, Shed o'er the world Thy holy light.

Scripture Psalm 16

Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing." I say of the holy people who are in the land, "They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight. "Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more. I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods or take up their names on my lips. Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance. I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me. I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay. You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Sermon

Praying the Psalms: Growing Nearer to God

Ben Patterson

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

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.

*Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you chose to worship with us today in the courtyard and online. Please fill out the Visitor Card that can be found at the entrance or email us at admin@elmopres.org so that we can get to know you better and send you our weekly emails. You can also connect with us on our website at: elmopres.org or on Instagram @elmopres or subscribe to our YouTube channel: El Montecito Presbyterian Church.

ELMO Pres Kids & Youth! Childcare available for ages 0-5 during worship. Drop off: outside Early School before worship. Pick up: playground after worship. Nursery care (birth to 1.5 years) will remain in the Early School outside space. Our elementary kids and youth are invited to Church in the Courtyard this summer. Pick up a Bible Activity Pack on your way in to worship!

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, Ostbys, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners.

Ruth Perry for healing and strength.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.

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

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

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

Bereavement for the family and friends of Lynette Johnson, especially her husband Brian.

Connecting & Serving

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

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

Widow's Luncheon: Thursday June 24th, 11:30 AM in the Parish Hall

Sandwich lunch for widows, this Thursday at 11:30 AM, in the Parish Hall. All widows are welcome. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend.

Connect with our Missionaries

Send a note of encouragement to our Missionaries. Greg and Chris Callison: gregandchris@callison.net; James and Renata Bultema: jamesbultema@spccturkey.com, renatabultema@spccturkey.com and Alex Smith: alex.smith@e3partners.org

God is with you! And, we're here for you by phone or online.

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