



Communion Sunday, August 1, 2021

Church in the Courtyard

Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him. Psalm 34:8

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 96:1-9

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

People: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

Leader: For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

All: Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

*Hymn Of Praise

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Jess Roy

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;

Join me in glad adoration!

 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
 Shelters thee under His wings, yes, so gently sustaineth!
 Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been

Granted in what He ordaineth?

- 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
 - Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
 - Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, If with His love He befriend thee.
- 4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.

Let the Amen sound from His people again: Gladly for aye we adore Him.

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.

*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.

Affirmation of Faith Unison

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

Be Thou My Vision

- Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
 Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
 Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
- 2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
- 3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
- 4. High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Son! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Scripture 1 Kings 18

Sermon "Mountain BBQ Picnic" Tom Haugen

*Hymn Of Praise

Steadfast

 I will build my house whether storm or drought,
 On the rock that does not move.
 I will set my hope in your love, O Lord And your faithfulness with prove:

Refrain:

You are steadfast, steadfast.

By the word you spoke all the starry host
Are called out by name each night.
In your watchful care, I will rest secure
As you lead us with your light.
Refrain

3. I will not trust in the strength of kings,On your promise I will stand.I will shout for joy, I will raise my voice,Hallelujah to the Lamb!Refrain

Bridge:

In the moment of emptiness all was fulfilled, In the hour of darkness your light was revealed, In the presence of death your life was affirmed, In the absence of holiness, you are still God.

Refrain x4

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Confession of Sin Unison

Gracious Lord, we confess that we dishonor you in our words, thoughts and deeds. Depending on our strength, we stumble. Glorying in our own righteousness, we reject you. Turning our faces from you, we desire the things of this world to satisfy us. We pray now, Lord, for you to forgive all of our many sins; to cleanse the darkness from our lives, and to turn our faces and our hearts back towards you. We pray these things in the name of your most precious son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Psalms 103:8-12

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.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and cleansed! Thanks be to God!

The Celebration of Communion

You have an individual prepackaged communion kit. We will eat the bread and drink the cup together as we remember Christ's death and resurrection and celebrate our common union in Christ.

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

The Lord's Prayer Unison

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian

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, on Instagram @elmopres and 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. Pick up a Bible Activity Pack on your way into worship.

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, and we provide the coffee.

Connect with our Missionaries

The Bultemas are visiting on August 4th through 8th. Jim is preaching on August 8th and we'll have a time to visit with Jim and Renata after worship. They are available to meet during their stay, just email them with your request. James and Renata Bultema: jamesbultema@spccturkey.com, renatabultema@spccturkey.com

Please continue sending your notes 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

Veteran Breakfast, Friday, August 13th at 9:00AM

ELMO is hosting a Veteran Breakfast outside in the courtyard on Friday, August 13th at 9:00AM. All Veterans are invited. Contact Bill Gowler to help or for more information.

Congregational Meeting Sunday, August 22 at 11:15 AM in the courtyard

The Session calls for a Congregational Meeting to elect Elders and Deacons immediately after the 10:00 AM worship gathering, on August 22nd.

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.

Judy Cooper-Ashford, for recovery from knee surgery.

Mary Stillman, for healing from health issues.

Ruth Perry for healing, strength and adjusting to her new home in San Diego.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.

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 Jeanne Thayer and Lynette Johnson.

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

Office Hours: Mon.—Thurs. 9 AM to 2 PM
Rev. Tom Haugen, Pastor
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Carl Perry, Finance & Property
Mary Slater, Human Resources
Jeffrey Smith, Children & Youth Ministry

Deacons

Betty Delk, Co-Moderator
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Bob Aguirre, At-Large
Sandy Aguirre, Friendship Visitation
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Melissa Hillegas, Hospital Visitation
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