# WORSHIP Sunday, September 19, 2021



Church in the Courtyard

Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. Daniel 2:20

# GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome to Our Life Together

**Prayer of Invocation** 

**Music of Preparation** 

# **GIVING PRAISE TO GOD**

*Question: What is God? Answer: God is the creator and sustainer of everyone and everything.* 

## \*Call to Worship

Leader: Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.

People: For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God. Teach me your way, LORD, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.

Leader: I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.

People: For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the depths, from the realm of the dead.

Leader: Arrogant foes are attacking me, O God; ruthless people are trying to kill me—they have no regard for you.

All: But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.

## \*Hymn of Praise

Rejoice, The Lord is King

Jess Roy

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, And triumph evermore:

## **Refrain:**

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

- 2. The Lord, our Savior, reigns, The God of truth and love; When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above: **Refrain**
- 3. His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The keys of death and hell Are to our Jesus giv'n: **Refrain**
- 4. Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come And take His servants up To their eternal home: Refrain

**Commissioning & Prayer for the Early School Teachers, Sunday School Teachers and Youth Leaders** *Names listed on page 4.* 

Tom Haugen

Psalm 86:1-15

# Confession of Sin Unison

We confess gracious God, that we have not always turned to you for guidance. At times we have allowed the world's time to dominate your time. Forgive us for our sins of hurriedness and impatience. Forgive us for when we have slumbered instead of remaining alert, waiting and watching for you. Forgive us for allowing the world's fears to become our fears. Restore and renew us to yourself, O Lord. Guide us in your time and your way, so that we may be your salt and light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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

#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

For the Father has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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 <u>this link to give online</u>. 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

## **Music of Reflection**

The Lord is My Strength

The Lord is my strength, He makes my feet like the feet of the deer. The Lord is my strength, He helps me walk upon the highest places. The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my strength, and I will rejoice in His name. Though I look out and the trees are all bare, though I can see no fruit on the vines, Even though the world is raging around me I will still rejoice!

## \*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.

Children Kindergarten - 5th grade dismissed for Sunday School

## Prayers for the Church & the World

# PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn of Preparation

Before the Throne of God Above

- 2. When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died My sinful soul is counted free. For God, the Just, is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me; To look on Him and pardon me.
- 3. Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb! My perfect spotless righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, The King of Glory and of Grace. One with Himself, I cannot die; My soul is purchased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God; With Christ, my Savior and my God.

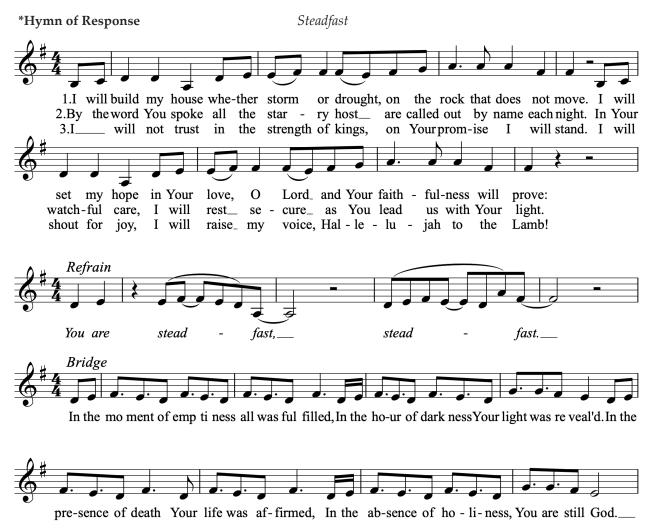
Suzy Dobreski

Colossians 1:13-14

Choir

Sermon

# GOING IN GOD'S NAME



\*Benediction

Postlude

# Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

**Welcome Visitors!** We are so glad you chose to worship with us today in the courtyard or online. Please fill out a Visitor Card or email us at admin@elmopres.org so that we can get to know you better and send you our weekly email. 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!

Sunday School for nursery age - grade 5 during the worship gathering. Please check-in at the courtyard entrance.

Middle School Kick Off starting Today after worship from 11:00 to 11:30 AM, lower patio!

**High School Lunch & Bible Study begins Today** after worship from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM, meet at the courtyard entrance.

# **Teacher Commissioning**

Early School Teachers & Staff: Melanie Cuxil, Christine Hale, Perla Lara, Bayli Morrow, Lyndsi Morrow, Beth Ruiz, Lisa Salgado, Jenna Thompson, Melissa Toth, Kari Van Bogelen. Substitute teacher: Nancy Boger. Director: Suzy Dobreski, Assistant/Transitional Director: Meika McCrindle.

Kids & Youth Ministry Teachers: Nursery: Errin Smith, Rob Hale, Cathy Clemens, Nancy Phinney, Michele Sullivan. Preschool: Shelley Fogg, Melissa Moore, Mary Patterson, Christine Hale, Benji Fogg, Annie Haugen, Lucy Moore. K, 1st, 2nd: Erin Barr, Wes Haystead, Andy Patterson, Brittany Warner, Ryan Warner, Terry Foil, Mindy Rogers, Melia Haugen. 3rd, 4th, 5th: Jeffrey Smith, Lauri Haugen, Ryan Throop, Jay Sullivan, Mary Slater. Youth Ministry: Malia Yim, Evan Boger, Jacob Bailey.

## 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 Ministry Partners the Bultemas, Callisons, Ostbys, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners.

Our Early School Teachers, Jenna Thompson for complications with her pregnancy and Melissa Toth, for recovery from surgery.

Janet Gates as she recovers from surgery.

Bereavement for the family and friends of Dorthea (Dokey) Dunlap.

Carol Gillis, for a speedy recovery from a fall.

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.

# **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.

#### Women in the Word Bible Study, Mondays beginning October 4th, 9:30 to 11:15 AM in the Parish Hall

"Because we Believe!" is an in-depth study of the Book of John. This bible study gives women an opportunity for group study and discussion as well as teaching by Patty Wilson. Sign up at the table near the entrance to the courtyard or contact Patty Wilson: pattywjoy@gmail.com

Connect with our Ministry Partners Please continue praying for and sending your notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners. 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.

## Office hours, Monday-Thursday, 9 AM to 2 PM

Rev. Tom Haugen, Pastor Rev. Lauri Haugen, Asst. Pastor to Families Suzy Dobreski, Early School Director Dr. Matthew Roy, Music Director Maryann Spradley, Office Administrator Michele Sullivan, Accountant The Entire Congregation, Ministers of the Gospel tomhaugen@elmopres.org

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#### Elders

Tom Haugen, Moderator Janet Gates, Clerk of Session Shelley Fogg, Children's Ministries Terry Foil, Early School Nathan Gates, Outreach *Kirk Gilbert,* Worship & Prayer Susan Hughes, Congregational Life Ginger Ketzel, Nominating Carl Perry, Finance & Property Mary Slater, Human Resources Jeffrey Smith, Youth Ministries

## Deacons

Betty Delk, Co-Moderator Jeff Delk, Co-Moderator Sandy Aguirre, Friendship Visitation Anita Allmon Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifts Chase Enright, Greeters Melissa Hillegas, Hospital Visitation Pam Jepson, Care Notes Paul Jepson Nancy Johnke, Coffee Fellowship Martha Kay, Chancel Flowers & Distribution Barbara Kennedy, Secretary & Treasurer