



Church in the Courtyard

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalm 139:23-24

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

Question: Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor? Answer: Yes, God reconciles us to himself by a Redeemer.

*Call to Worship Psalm 133

Leader: How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

People: It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

Leader: It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. All: For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

*Hymn of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy

- 1. Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
- 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Confession of Sin Unison

God of grace, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. By our actions and our attitudes, we praise what you condemn. Help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 8:1-2

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.

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, scan the QR code or follow the online link. 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

Rick Fogg

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.

Children Kindergarten—5th grade are dismissed for Sunday School.

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Prayers for the Church & the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

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Je-sus You're my hope and

to Chorus

Lord, I

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

- What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer;
 There is no more for heaven now to give.
 He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
 My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
 To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,
 For my life is wholly bound to his.
 Oh how strange and divine,
 I can sing, "All is mine!"
 Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
- 2. The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
 For by my side, the Savior, He will stay.
 I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
 For in my need His power is displayed.
 To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me;
 Through the deepest valley He will lead.
 Oh the night has been won,
 And I shall overcome!
 Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
- 3. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven;
 The future sure, the price it has been paid.
 For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
 And he was raised to overthrow the grave.
 To this I hold: my sin has been defeated,
 Jesus now and ever is my plea.
 Oh the chains are released,
 I can sing, "I am free!"
 Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
- 4. With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
 For he has said that he will bring me home.
 And day by day I know he will renew me
 Until I stand with joy before the throne.
 To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.
 All the glory evermore to Him.
 When the race is complete,
 Still my lips shall repeat:
 Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

*Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you chose to worship with us today in the courtyard or online. Please fill out a Visitor Card that can be found at the entrance or email us at admin@elmopres.org so 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.

Sermon Series: James - Real Faith, Real Life. James gives us a vivid and practical look at real Chrisitan faith and real life. Authored by the half-brother of Jesus, and the leader of the early Jerusalem Church, James provides rich insight on a great number of issues including persecution, relationships, finances, faith and works. In all of these things, James gives us a renewed sense of the depth of our sinfulness and the sufficiency of Jesus. Join us over the next weeks as we begin the new year discovering what it looks like to put real faith into action in real life as we grow in our love for God and one another.

ELMO Pres Kids & Youth!

Sunday School for nursery age - grade 5 during the worship gathering. Please check-in at the courtyard entrance. Elementary age children remain in worship until dismissed for ELMO Pres Kids Sunday school.

Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 6:30-8:30 on the lower patio at ELMO Pres. Games, pizza, friends and God's Word!

High School Small Group after worship from 11:30 to 12:30 on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month. Meet at the Courtyard entrance and bring \$ for lunch at a local outside restaurant.

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, Warners, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners.

Bereavement for Miji Working, family and friends of Ken Working. Memorial on Feb. 12 at 11:00 am at ELMO.

Gordon Smith, for recovery from a fall and fluid on his lungs.

Pamela Arneson, for peace and healing while in a nursing care facility.

Ann Marie King, for her unstable heart condition and wisdom for the doctors help.

Linda Allan, for recovery and healing while in a nursing care facility.

Mary Stillman for treatment of a rare form of cancer and wisdom for her doctors in Houston, TX.

Carol Gillis, for continued recovery from a fall.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Connecting & Serving

Women in the Word Bible Study, Mondays 9:30 to 11:15 AM in the Parish Hall

Will resume on Monday, January 24th. For more information contact Patty Wilson: pattyjoy@gmail.com. Masks are required while indoors.

Women's Bible Study: Thursdays 7:45 - 9:00 AM at IHOP

Please join us at IHOP, 1701 State Street.

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

You're invited to join us in a study of the Book of Hebrews. Please bring your Bible, a mask and coffee is provided.

Connect with our Ministry Partners

Please continue sending notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners:

Greg and Chris Callison: gregandchris@callison.net; James and Renata Bultema: jamesbultema@spccturkey.com, renatabultema@spccturkey.com, Dana and Karen Ostby: danaostby@gmail.com, karina@lite.email; Ryan and Brittany Warner: rwarner@fca.org, bwarner@fca.org and Alex Smith: alex.smith@e3partners.org

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

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