



# Sunday, February 13, 2022

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called the sons of God!

And that is what we are! 1 John 3:1a

## 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 103

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

People: Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not his benefits - who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems you from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Leader: The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.

People: But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with his children's children - with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts.

Leader: The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. All: Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word. Praise the LORD, all the heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand if you are able.

#### \*Hymn of Praise

## Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

- 1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
  Joy of heav'n, to earth come down;
  Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
  All Thy faithful mercies crown.
  Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
  Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
  Visit us with Thy salvation,
  Enter ev'ry trembling heart.
- 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit Into ev'ry troubled breast!
  Let us all in Thee inherit,
  Let us find that promised rest.
  Take away our bent to sinning,
  Alpha and Omega be;
  End of faith, as its beginning,
  Set our hearts at liberty.
- 3. Come, almighty to deliver,
  Let us all Thy life receive;
  Suddenly return, and never,
  Nevermore Thy temples leave.
  Thee we would be always blessing,
  Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
  Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,
  Glory in Thy perfect love.
- 4. Finish then Thy new creation,
  Pure and spotless let us be;
  Let us see Thy great salvation
  Perfectly restored in Thee:
  Changed from glory into glory,
  Till in heav'n we take our place,
  Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
  Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

#### Confession of Sin Unison

God of love, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections continually turn away from you: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fullness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your holy Word, and make your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your loving Son, Jesus, so that we may shine before the world to your glory. Amen.

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

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Psalm 103:8-12

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor harbor his answer 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.

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

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.

Children Kindergarten - 5th grade are dismissed to Sunday School

Prayers for the Church and the World

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

#### \*Hymn of Preparation

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

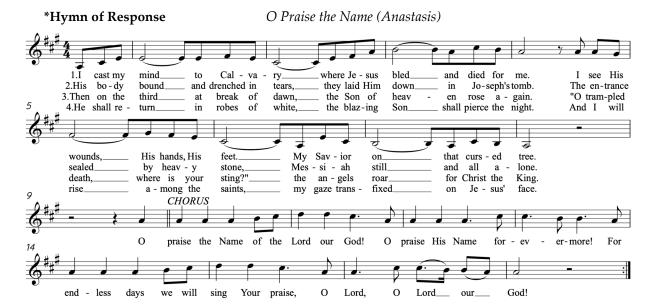
- How deep the Father's love for us,
   How vast beyond all measure:
   That He should give His only Son
   To make a wretch His treasure.
   How great the pain of searing loss;
   The Father turns His face away
   As wounds which mar the Chosen One
   Bring many sons to glory.
- 2. Behold the man upon a cross,
  My sin upon His shoulders;
  Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
  Call out among the scoffers.
  It was my sin that held Him there
  Until it was accomplished.
  His dying breath has brought me life;
  I know that it is finished.
- 3. I will not boast in anything—
  No gifts, no power, no wisdom—
  But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
  His death and resurrection.
  Why should I gain from His reward?
  I cannot give an answer.
  But this I know with all my heart:
  His wounds have paid my ransom.

Sermon

"We Love Because He First Loved Us"

Jerry Root

## GOING IN GOD'S NAME



\*Benediction

**Postlude** 

# Sermon Notes:

# 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.

#### **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.

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

Pamela Arneson, for continued healing and strength now that she is home.

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.

Carol Gillis, for continued recovery from a fall.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

# **Connecting & Serving**

## College/Young Adult Backyard Brunch, TODAY, 11:30 AM (after worship)

Skip out on the dining commons and join us in the Haugen's backyard for brunch on Sunday, February 13th, after worship: 11:30-1:00ish. Bring a friend! 1463 Hosmer Lane (behind the church).

## Veterans Breakfast, Saturday February 19, 9:00 AM

Please join this time of fellowship and food at no charge. RSVP to Bill Gowler by Monday, February 14th. billgowler@gmail.com or call 805-845-3522.

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

For more information contact Patty Wilson: pattywjoy@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: Thursdays 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.

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

Rev. Tom Haugen, Pastor

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Brad Catron, Facilities Manager

Meika McCrindle, Early School Interim Director

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The Entire Congregation, Ministers of the Gospel

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Janet Gates, Clerk of Session
Shelley Fogg, Children's Ministries
Terry Foil, Early School
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Kirk Gilbert, Worship & Prayer
Susan Hughes, Congregational Life
Ginger Ketzel, Nominating
Finance & Property
Mary Slater, Human Resources

*Jeffrey Smith,* Youth Ministries

#### **Deacons**

Betty Delk, Co-Moderator Jeff Delk, Co-Moderator

Sandy Aguirre, Friendship Visitation

Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifts

Chase Enright, Greeters

Melissa Hillegas, Hospital Visitation

Pam Jepson, Care Notes

Paul Jepson

Nancy Johnke, Coffee Fellowship

Brian Johnson

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