



## Sunday, August 28, 2022

God is our refuge and strength. An ever-present help in trouble. **Psalm 46:1** 

#### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Stacy Cullison

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

**Prayer of Invocation** 

**Music of Preparation** 

## **GIVING PRAISE TO GOD**

\*Call to Worship Psalm 121

**Leader**: I lift my eyes up to the hills - where does my help come from?

People: My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

**Leader**: He will not let your foot slip - he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed,

he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

People: The LORD watches over you - the LORD is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

Leader: The LORD will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life.

All: The LORD will watch over your coming and your going both now and forevermore.

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

- We will glorify the King of kings We will glorify the Lamb We will glorify the Lord of lords Who is the great I Am
- Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty
   We will bow before His throne
   We will worship Him in righteousness
   We will worship Him alone
- He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth
  He is Lord of all who live
  He is Lord above the universe
  All praise to Him we give
- 4. Hallelujah to the King of kings Hallelujah to the Lamb Hallelujah to the Lord of Lords Who is the great I Am

#### Confession of Sin Unison

Almighty God, gracious Father, we confess that we are not worthy of your presence, but we look now to Jesus, the Lamb of God, who takes away our sin. Through him we can now draw near to you, listening to your voice, trusting in your love, and delighting in your Word. We joyfully ask to see your face! Now cleanse our minds of all error and our hearts of all idols, that we may shine in the world with the radiant light of your Spirit and your character. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Psalm 130:7-8

Israel, put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Leader: 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, 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

Kirk Gilbert

#### 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.

Prayers for the Church and the World

#### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

#### \*Hymn of Preparation

Be Still My Soul

No. 347

- Be still, my soul! the Lord is on thy side;
  Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
  Leave to thy God to order and provide;
  In every change He faithful will remain.
  Be still, my soul! thy best, thy heavenly Friend
  Thro' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- Be still, my soul! thy God doth undertake
   To guide the future as He has the past.
   Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
   All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
   Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know
   His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.
- Be still, my soul! the hour is hastening on When we shall be forever with the Lord, When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
   Be still, my soul! when change and tears are past, All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Scripture Psalm 46

Sermon "The God Who Protects" Tom Haugen

## GOING IN GOD'S NAME

#### \*Hymn of Response

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

No. 52

- O God, our help in ages past,
   Our hope for years to come,
   Our shelter from the stormy blast,
   And our eternal home!
- Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.
- Before the hills in order stood,
   Or earth received her frame,
   From everlasting Thou art God,
   To endless years the same.

- 4. A thousand ages in Thy sight
  Are like an evening gone;
  Short as the watch that ends the night
  Before the rising sun.
- Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away;
   They fly, forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.
- O God, our help in ages past,
   Our hope for years to come,
   Be Thou our guard while life shall last,
   And our eternal home.

#### \*Benediction

#### **Postlude**

The flowers this morning are given by Shirley Fender in memory of her father, Delbert.



## Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you're worshiping with us today. Please fill out a Visitor Card found at the entrance or email us at admin@elmopres.org so we can get to know you better and send you our weekly newsletter. 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**

**Sunday School** for nursery/preschool children (age 0-5) from 10:00—11:00 AM. Please check-in at the Early School entrance. Elementary age children remain in worship. **Pick up a worship/activity guide** on your way into worship!

**Sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter** for more information on summer events, discipleship, and service opportunities for youth, children and families. Email: laurihaugen@elmopres.org

## 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, Vivancos, Mayu Luz Gullien Villanueva and Mexico Mission Partners.

Alex Barr, U.S. Navy, son of Erin Barr, and VFA 151 squadron while they are deployed. Jon Wentzel and James Wentzel, both serving in the Air Force as Lt. Cols. and F-16 pilots, sons of Bob and Nancy Phinney. Jack Burrows, the grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick, currently serving in the Army's 101st Airborne "Screaming Eagles" Division.

Richard Atamian, for recovery from a broken hip.

Al Silvera, for relief from his current health issues.

Roger Phillips, for healing.

Joyce Hutchinson, for healing from a fall and adjusting to her new room in Smith Center.

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

Carol Gillis, for continued recovery.

Curtis Whiteman, for continued recovery.

The people of Ukraine.

## **Connecting & Serving**

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

Please join us at IHOP, 1701 State Street. Current study is "Reading Romans with John Stott".

#### Men's Bible Study: Thursdays 9:00 AM in the Library

You're invited to join us in a study of the Gospel of John. Please bring your Bible, coffee is provided.

#### Congregational Meeting, TODAY after 10:00 AM Worship

A congregational meeting is called after the 10:00 AM worship gathering to elect Elders, Deacons and to approve the 2022-23 Budget. All Covenant Partners are asked to please join us for their vote.

#### Picnic Lunch in the Courtyard, TODAY 11:30 AM

Please join us for lunch and fellowship in the courtyard after the congregational meeting!

#### Adult Discipleship starts September 11, 9:00 AM

Visit the table in the courtyard today to find out what discipleship opportunities are available Sundays at 9.

# Women in the Word - Pursuing Joy begins Monday, September 12th at 9:00 AM, Parish Hall This year's study will include Philippians, Galatians and Ephesians. Small group format, worship and teaching by Patty Wilson.

## **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:
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#### Acts 1:8 Connection: Network Medical Women's Center

- Pray the women in our community who become pregnant will feel compelled to choose life for their babies.
- The Lord's continued blessing on our new mentor program which pairs pregnant women (and men) who desire a mentor, with women and men of local churches who have been trained to come alongside them through the "Making Life Disciples" program.
- Pray Californians will stand up against late-term abortions this November and reject Proposition 1, which would amend the California State Constitution to include an absolute "fundamental right to choose to have an abortion", with no gestational limitations, up to the moment of birth.
- Praise for the 59 new babies, 7 women who have received Christ, and 5 women who have entered the mentor program since the beginning of 2022.

## 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. Dr. Tom Haugen, Pastor Rev. Lauri Haugen, Asst. Pastor to Families Brad Catron, Facilities Manager Maryann Spradley, Office Administrator Michele Sullivan, Accountant

*The Entire Congregation, Ministers of the Gospel* 

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Susan Hughes, Congregational Life
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Barbara Mendelson, Finance
Mary Slater, Human Resources
Jeffrey Smith, Youth Ministries

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#### **Deacons**

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Kersten Barr
Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifts
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