Worship



Communion Sunday, October 2, 2022

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:6-5

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude David Talbott

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship Psalm 40

Leader: I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry.

People: He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.

Leader: Many will see and fear the LORD and put their trust in him.

People: Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

Leader: Many, LORD my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us. All: None can compare with you; were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

^{*} Please stand if you are able

- Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise His name - I'm fixed upon it -Name of God's redeeming love.
- 2. Hitherto Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place; And I know Thy hand will bring me Safely home by thy good grace. esus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Bought me with His precious blood.
- 3. O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!
 Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
 Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
 Prone to leave the God I love;
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it;
 Seal it for Thy courts above.

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. On the first Sunday of the month we highlight the opportunity to give to our Deacon's ministries of care. If you wish to do so, there are Deacon's envelopes near the entrance. 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

Nathan Gates

*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

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

No. 201

- Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt! Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured -There where the blood of the Lamb was
- 3. Dark is the stain that we cannot hide What can avail to wash it away?

 Look! there is flowing a crimson tide Whiter than snow you may be today.

 Refrain

Refrain:

Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within, Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that is greater than all our sin!

- 4. Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, Freely bestowed on all who believe! You that are longing to see His face, Will you this moment His grace receive? **Refrain**
- Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold, Threaten the soul with infinite loss; Grace that is greater - yes, grace untold -Points to the refuge, the mighty cross.
 Refrain

Scripture Ephesians 2:1-10

Sermon "By Grace Through Faith" Tom Haugen

1. And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His
pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for
me?

Refrain:

Amazing love! how can it be That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

2. He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race!
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, For, O my God, it found out me.
Refrain

3. Long my imprisoned spirit lay Fast bound in sin and nature's night.

Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray: I woke - the dungeon flamed with light!

My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

Refrain

4 No condemnation now I dread:
Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, thru Christ, my

Refrain

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Confession of Sin Unison

Most Holy and Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to change what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 1:7-8a

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us.

Pastor: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel!

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 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 Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you are 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 & Youth

ELMO Pres Kids & Youth at 9:00 AM for nursery-8th grade.

Children's Church for nursery-kindergarten age children (age 0-6) from 10:00-11:00 AM. Please check-in at the Early School. Elementary age children remain in worship. **Pick up a worship activity guide** on your way into worship!

Middle School (5th—8th) Friday Nights at ELMO Pres 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 6:30—8:30 PM. Pizza! Games! Bible! Friends! Fun!

High School Bible Study: Fridays from 7:15—8:15 PM at Dune on Anacapa. Contact Lauri for more information.

Sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter for more information on 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. Email your prayer requests to **prayers@elmopres.org**.

Our Ministry Partners the Bultemas, Callisons, Ostbys, Warners, Vivancos. Mayu Luz Gullien Villanueva, Everetts at Rancho Sordo Mundo and Pastor Noe Perez Gomez at Iglesia Cristo es el Camino, SB Rescue Mission, Transition House and Network Medical Women's Center of SB.

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.

Bereavement for the friends and family of Carol Gillis.

Bill Allmon, for recovery from surgery.

Allison Lipps, for recovery from back surgery.

Pam Jepson, for recovery from surgery.

Al Silvera, for relief from his current health challenges.

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.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

The people of Ukraine.

Those impacted by Hurricane Ian.

Connecting & Serving

Adult Discipleship, Sundays at 9:00 AM

Join one of the Ephesians Discussion Groups, in the Library or Fireside room, Covenant Partner class in the Fellowship Hall or the Coffee and Chat in the courtyard.

Women in the Word, Mondays at 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall

The study this year "Pursuing Joy" will include the books of Philippians, Galatians and Ephesians. Small group format, musical worship and teaching by Patty Wilson.

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 at 9:00 AM in the Library

You're invited to join us in a study of the Book of John. Please bring your Bible, 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; and Ryan and Brittany Warner: rwarner@fca.org, bwarner@fca.org, United World Mission, Mexico, Mayu Guillen Villanueva: mayuguivi@gmail.com and Manuel & Laura Vivanco: laura.vivanco@uwm.org, Rancho Sordo Mundo, Ed Everett: ranchosordomudo@hotmail.com, Luke Everett: sanlucasrsm@gmail.com.

Acts 1:8 Connection: Fellowship of Christian Athletes, The Warners

- Please pray for our community outreach event Fields of Faith on October 12 at San Marcos High School! All are welcome to come.
- For the people that do come (...and even those who hear about it after) to have their hearts, minds, eyes, ears ready to receive the life-giving truth of the Gospel.
- For the student leaders running the night: our greeters, prayer teams, ushers, the ones sharing their testimonies, our mc's, set up and tear down teams and all those inviting their friends and families to be a part of it.
- Pray for the follow up of Fields of Faith. For new kids to be plugged into churches in town and into our on-campus FCA huddles. For the huddles to be a place where kids feel welcome and can come to know and grow in Jesus.

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

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