



Sunday, February 26, 2023

"Every word of God is flawless; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him."

Proverbs 30:5

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Taylor Bleecker

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship Psalm 51

Leader: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. People: Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore me to the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Leader: Then I will teach transgressors your ways, so that sinners will turn back to you.

People: Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, you who are God my Savior, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.

Leader: Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise.

All: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

^{*} Please stand if you are able

*Hymn of Praise

Come, People of the Risen King

Come, people of the Risen King,
 Who delight to bring Him praise.
 Come, all and tune your hearts to sing
 To the Morning Star of grace.
 From the shifting shadows of the earth
 We will lift our eyes to Him,
 Where steady arms of mercy reach
 To gather children in.

Chorus

Rejoice! Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!

- 2. Come, those whose joy is morning sun And those weeping through the night. Come, those who tell of battles won, And those struggling in the fight. For His perfect love will never change, And His mercies never cease, But follow us through all our days With the certain hope of peace. [Chorus]
- 3. Come, young and old from ev'ry land, Men and women of the faith.

 Come, those with full or empty hands, Find the riches of His grace.

 Over all the world, His people sing, Shore to shore we hear them call The truth that cries through ev'ry age; 'Our God is all in all'. [Chorus]

Confession of Sin Unison

Psalm 51

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love, according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions; wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, cleanse us from our sins. For we are well aware of our transgressions, our sins are constantly in mind. Against you, you alone, we have sinned and done what is evil in your sight. God, create in us a clean heart, renew a right spirit within us. Restore us to the joy of your salvation, sustain within us a willing spirit. Lord, open our lips, and our mouths will declare your praise. Amen.

Take a moment to silently confess your sins.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Lamentations 3:22-23

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

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, go to our website, scan the QR code or follow this <u>link to give online</u>. You can also mail or drop your tithes and offerings in the box outside the office doors. 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

Ryan Warner

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

His Mercy is More

- What love could remember, no wrongs we have done Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum. Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.
- 2. What patience would wait as we constantly roam, What Father, so tender is calling us home. He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor, Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.
- 3. What riches of kindness He lavished on us
 His blood was the payment, His life was the cost.
 We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford,
 Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more Stronger than darkness, new every morn Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. Scripture 2 Kings 3:1-8:6

Sermon Elisha and the Prophetic Word

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor
 In the fury of the storm.
 When the winds of doubt blow through me,
 And my sails have all been torn.

Chorus 1

In the suffering, in the sorrow, When my sinking hopes are few. I will hold fast to the anchor, It shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor While the tempest rages on. When temptation claims the battle, And it seems the night has won.

Chorus 2

Deeper still then goes the anchor Though I justly stand accused, I will hold fast to the anchor It shall never be removed. Christ the sure and steady anchor Through the floods of unbelief.
 Hopeless somehow O my soul now Lift your eyes to Calvary.

Chorus 3

This my ballast of assurance See His love forever proved. I will hold fast to the anchor It shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor
 As we face the wave of death.
 When these trials give way to glory,
 And we draw our final breath.

Chorus 4

We will cross that great horizon, Clouds behind and life secured. And the calm will be the better For the storms that we endured.

Chorus 5

Christ the shore of our salvation Ever faithful ever true. We will hold fast to the anchor It shall never be removed.

Love Like Jesus

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Ryan Warner

*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 a.m. for nursery-6th grade.

Children's Church at 10:00 a.m. for nursery-kindergarten age children (age 0-6) in the nursery/preschool rooms. Elementary age children remain in worship. **Pick up a worship activity guide** on your way into the sanctuary.

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

High School Bible Study: Friday mornings from 7:15—8:10 a.m. at Dune Coffee on Anacapa. Contact Lauri for more information.

Sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter for more information on 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. 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.

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 Roger Phillips, memorial March 11 at 1:30 p.m. and Nancy Southard, memorial March 18 at 1:00 p.m.

Ann Marie King, for her unstable heart condition and wisdom from her doctors. Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery and son Shawn for health issues to be resolved.

The people of Ukraine, Turkey and Syria.

Connecting & Serving

Adult Discipleship, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Join us in the courtyard for coffee and chat or in a small group study of 1 & 2 Kings in the Library or Fireside Room.

Evangelism Workshop with Jerry Root, Saturday, March 25, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

In our pursuit to *Love Like Jesus* come and be encouraged to share the hope we have in Jesus with our neighbors. Continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Women in the Word, Mondays at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

"Pursuing Joy" small group discussion and teaching by Patty Wilson.

Women's Bible Study, Thursdays 7:45 - 9:00 a.m. at IHOP on State St.

Currently studying the book of Daniel with Tremper Longman.

Men's Bible Study, Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Library

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

College Student Lunch, Today! After worship

Meet at the Haugen's home (1463 Hosmer Lane, behind the church). Hope you will join us!

Connect with our Ministry Partners

Please continue sending notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners:

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

- Praises for how the Lord is moving through relationships at our huddles, especially at UCSB.
- Praises for our student leaders and coaches working together on their campuses to share Jesus.
- Praises for churches in our community committing to walking with us and being involved in mentoring students in our huddles.
- Prayers for hiring the next FCA staff members. We are looking for an Area Rep and Administrator.
- Prayers for successful events this Spring and Summer: Spring break retreat, Senior celebration, Pickleball tournament, Germany soccer camp missions trip (for Katelyn on our staff), Futures Camp and Ojai Leadership Camp.
- Prayers for baby girl Warner #4 coming at the end of May!

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

Office hours, Monday—Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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