



Sunday, July 9, 2023

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

Proverbs 3:5-6

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Mary Hurt

Welcome to Our Life Together

Kirk Gilbert

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship Psalm 121

Leader: I lift my eyes up to the mountains - 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.

People: Indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Leader: 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.

All: The LORD will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

^{*} Please stand if you are able.

*Hymn of Praise

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

- Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
 To his feet your tribute bring.
 Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
 Evermore his praises sing.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Praise the everlasting King!
- 2. Praise him for his grace and favor
 To his people in distress.Praise him, still the same as ever,
 Slow to chide, and swift to bless.Alleluia, alleluia!Glorious in his faithfulness!
- 3. Fatherlike he tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame he knows. In his hand he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows!
- 4. Angels, help us to adore him;
 You behold him face to face.
 Sun and moon, bow down before him,
 Dwellers all in time and space.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Praise with us the God of grace!

Confession of Sin Unison

Almighty God, to know you is the fulfillment of our deepest longings and the satisfaction of our most ardent desires. Yet foolishly, we have sought our pleasures elsewhere. We have put the seeking of idols, which are bound to leave us feeling empty, above seeking you. We have failed to love you with our whole heart, soul, and mind. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us our sins for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. And grant that from now on we might serve you in the newness of life. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 8:31-32

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all - how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

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

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Our offering is an act of worship in which we express our gratitude and reliance on God. For those of you who are guests with us today, giving is not obligatory. We are eager to share with you more about our church and its ministries and to invite you to participate with us as you are called by God. If you have filled out a visitor's card, please place it in the offering plate.

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.

Prayers for the Church and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

Like a River Glorious

 Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace, Over all victorious, in its bright increase; Perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day, Perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.

Refrain:

Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

- Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand, Never foe can follow, never traitor stand; Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care, Not a blast of hurry touch the spirit there. [Refrain]
- Every joy or trial falleth from above,
 Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love;
 We may trust Him fully, all for us to do;
 They who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true. [Refrain]

Scripture Esther 4:12-16

Sermon If I Perish, I Perish Ben Patterson

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

All Glory Be to Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand No legacy survive

Unless the Lord does raise this house

In vain its builders strive

To you who boast tomorrow's gain

Tell me, what is your life? A mist that vanishes at dawn

All glory be to Christ!

Refrain:

All glory be to Christ, our King!

All glory be to Christ!

His rule and reign we'll ever sing

All glory be to Christ!

His will be done, His kingdom come

On earth as is above

Who is Himself our daily bread

Praise Him, the Lord of love

Let living water satisfy

The thirsty without price

We'll take a cup of kindness yet

All glory be to Christ!

Should nothing of our efforts stand All g

All glory be to Christ, our King!

All glory be to Christ!

His rule and reign we'll ever sing

All glory be to Christ!

When on the day the great "I Am"

The Faithful and the True

The Lamb who was for sinners slain

Is making all things new

Behold our God shall live with us

And be our steadfast light

And we shall e'er His people be

All glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ, our King!

All glory be to Christ!

His rule and reign we'll ever sing

All glory be to Christ!

*Benediction

Ministry Moment

Kathryn Spradley and Turkey

Postlude



Sermon Notes:

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please fill out a Visitor Card 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

Summer Programs for children and families Children's Church for age 0-6 is available all summer during worship. Elementary students age 7+ and youth are invited to worship. The playground is open (with parental supervision) for children. Worship activity guides are provided in the Narthex.

Pick up a copy of the **summer schedule for Middle School & High School Youth, Children & Families** in the Narthex. Will you accept the Psalm Photo Journal challenge? It's going to be a GREAT summer to dive deep into God's Word!

Sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter! 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.

Miles Hale, son of Rob and Christine Hale, in the Engineering Branch of the US Army, deployed to Poland for 2 months. Jon Wentzel and James Wentzel, sons of Bob and Nancy Phinney, both serving in the Air Force as Lt. Cols. and F-16 pilots. Jack Burrows, the grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick, currently serving in the Army's 101st Airborne "Screaming Eagles" Division.

Susan Dau, for recovery from severe knee pain and surgery scheduled for July 17. Jean Svoboda, for healing from a lung infection.

Blanche Heitkamp, continued healing and regained strength.

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

Curtis Whiteman for continued healing and son Shawn for health issues to be resolved. The people of Ukraine and Sudan.

Connecting & Serving

New ELMO Pres. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5369, Santa Barbara, CA 93150

Please use the new P.O. Box for all correspondence and donations. If your donations are sent directly from a financial institution, please advise them of the new P.O. Box. Thank you!

Annual Sand Sculpture Contest, Saturday, July 22, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Santa Claus Beach Join us for another fun filled beach day designing sand sculptures based on the theme:

"Everlasting Love". Judging will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. All Ages Welcome!

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

Currently studying the book of Daniel with a study guide written by Tremper Longman. You are welcome to join at any time during the current study.

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 Acts. Bring your Bible, coffee is provided.

Connect with our Ministry Partners

Please continue sending notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners:

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Acts 1:8 Connection: Kathryn Spradley & St. Paul Cultural Center, Antalya Turkey

- Praise that new friendships were made and incredible hospitality was received!
- Praise that this trip provided clarity for next steps & job opportunities after loving teaching international learners Kathryn will be teaching science for 7th & 8th grade at Providence School this fall.
- Prayers for transition back to Santa Barbara after months of being away, that her time spent in Turkey is not forgotten and continues to encourage her & others as she reflects.
- Continued prayers for Turkey, the international learning group, the Cultural Center, and friends, that they may be strengthened by Jesus and continue to see His love for them each day.

Thank you for your support of this ministry in Turkey and your prayers!

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

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