

WORSHIP



Sunday, October 15, 2023

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Mary Hurt and Emily Sommermann

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

Please use this time to prepare your heart, soul, mind and body to, *"Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness."* Psalm 29:2

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship Psalm 92

Aza Elwood

Leader: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High.

Congregation: Proclaiming your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night, to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

Leader: For you make me glad by your deeds, LORD; I sing for joy at what your hands have done.

Congregation: How great are your works, LORD, how profound your thoughts! Senseless people do not know, fools do not understand, that though the wicked spring up like grass and all evildoers flourish, they will be destroyed forever.

Leader: But you, LORD, are forever exalted.

Congregation: For surely your enemies, LORD, surely your enemies will perish; all evildoers will be scattered. You have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox; fine oils have been poured on me.

Leader: My eyes have seen the defeat of my adversaries; my ears have heard the rout of my wicked foes.

All: The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of the LORD, they will flourish in the courts of God. They will bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green, proclaiming, "The LORD is upright; he is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in him."

* Please stand if you are able.

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| <p>1. Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!</p> <p>2. Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love and purity</p> | <p>3. Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!</p> |
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Confession of Sin Unison

Merciful and Loving God, your grace has called us toward growth and service in your Kingdom. We confess that we have thought much more about our own kingdoms than about yours. Forgive us for when we don't trust you to help us grow. Save us from a hardness of heart, where your Word cannot take root. Liberate us from shallowness of mind, where your Word withers away. Safeguard us from the deceitfulness of riches in this world where your Word is choked by everyday cares. Grant that our hearts may be fertile soil that we might yield a great harvest of praise for your name. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:4-5

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

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

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

In addition to giving through the passed offering plates, you are also welcome to give online at our website, scan the QR code on the back cover, or follow this [link to give online](#). 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

Susan Hughes

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 in grades K-6 are dismissed for ELMO Pres kids

Prayers for the Church and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Preparation** *God, The Uncreated One (King Forevermore)* pages 4 & 5

Scripture Mark 4:1-34

Sermon *The Growth of God's Kingdom* Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn of Response** *Light of the World* page 5

*Benediction

Postlude

*Hymn of Preparation

God, The Uncreated One (King Forevermore)



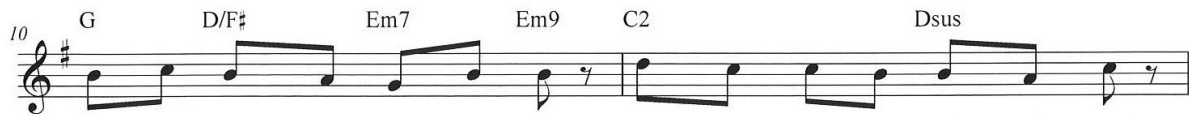
1. God, the un - cre - a - ted One, the Au - thor of sal - va -
 2. God, our for - tress and our strength, the Rock on which we can de -
 3. Might y God in mor - tal flesh, for - sak - en by a trait - or's
 4. King e - ter - nal, God of grace, we crown You with the high - est



tion, wrote the laws of space and time, and
 pend; match - less in His maj - es - ty, His
 kiss. The curse of sin and cen - tur - ies did
 praise. Heav - en shouts and saints a - dore, You're



fash - ioned worlds to His de - sign. The One whom an - gel hosts re - vere
 pow - er and au - thor - i - ty, un - shak - en by the schemes of man,
 pierce the low - ly Prince of Peace. Lift - ed high, the sin - less man,
 ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord! What joy in ev - er - last - ing life,



hung the stars like chan - de - liers, num - bered ev - 'ry grain of sand,
 nev - er chang - ing, Great I am. King - doms rise and king - doms fall,
 cru - ci - fied, the spot - less Lamb, bur - ied by the sons of man,
 all is love and faith is sight. Jus - tice rolls and prais - es rise

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knows the heart of ev - 'ry man. He is King for - ev - er,
 He is faith - ful through it all. Crown Him King for - ev - er,
 res - cued by the Fa - ther's hand, to reign as King for - ev - er,
 at the name of Je - sus Christ. King of kings for - ev - er,

14 G/B Em7 C2 Dsus G G/B C

TURNAROUND

He is King for - ev - er, He is King for - ev - er - more.
 crown Him King for - ev - er, crown Him King for - ev - er - more.
 reign as King for - ev - er, reign as King for - ev - er - more.
 King of kings for - ev - er, King of kings for - ev - er - more.

*Hymn of Response

Light of the World

1.Light of the world, treas - ure of heav - en, Bril - iant like the stars in the win - ter - y sky.
 2.Light of the world, from the be - gin - ning, The trag - e - dies of time were no match for Your love. From
 3.Light of the world, crown in a man - ger, Born for the cross to suf - fer, to save.
 4.Light of the world, soon will be com - ing. With fi - re in His eyes, He will ran - som His own. Through

Joy of the Fa - ther, reach through the dark - ness, Shine a - cross the earth, send the shad ows to flight.
 great heights of glo - ry, You saw my sto - ry. God, You en - tered in and be - came one of us.
 High King of Heav - ven, death is the poor - er. We are the rich - er by the price that He paid.
 clouds He will lead us stright in - to glo - ry. There He shall reign for - ev - er - more.

Sing Hal - le - lu - jah! Sing Hal - le - lu - jah! Sing Hal - le - lu - jah for the things He has done!

Come and a - dore Him, bow down be - fore Him. Sing Hal - le - lu - jah to the Light of the world.

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you are worshipping 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

Sunday Mornings with ELMO Pres Kids begins Today!

Nursery (age 0-2.5) & Preschool (age 2.5-5) from 9:50 a.m. until end of Worship in the Early School classrooms. Curriculum: *The Beginner's Gospel Story Bible* by Jared Kennedy.

K-6th Children begin in Worship and will be dismissed at 10:15 a.m. for ELMO Pres Kids. Pick up at 11:15 in the Fellowship Hall. Curriculum: *The Biggest Story Curriculum* by Crossway.

Youth: 6th—12th grade students meet together on the 1st and 3rd Friday night of the month from 6-8 p.m. Next up: October 20.

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. A time of prayer is also available Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the fireside room, before worship. 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.

Morgan Hale US Navy, Miles Hale US Army, sons of Rob and Christine Hale, Jon Wentzel and James Wentzel, sons of Bob and Nancy Phinney, both serving in the Air Force. Jack Burrows, the grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick, currently serving in the Army.

Bereavement for the family and friends of Catherine Leffler.

Halleine Morrison, for recovery from Covid.

Donna Medwid, for recovery from a fall which resulted in hip surgery.

Bea Ostrander, for recovery from a fall.

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.

Bring peace to Israel and Gaza.

Connecting & Serving

We need Ushers on Sunday mornings:

The task is simple, be a friendly face greeting new people and welcoming regulars to worship! It's a fun job that comes with free training. Please contact Shirley Fender if you are interested.

Joy Reflected Luncheon, Thursday October 19, 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall

Widows in our extended church family are invited to gather next Thursday for the Joy Reflected Luncheon. Please join us to share a meal and enjoy conversation with other women. RSVP to Shirley Fender or to coordinate a ride.

Operation Christmas Child starts Today!

Help take the message of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Every shoebox gift we pack is delivered in Jesus' Name to give a child in need a glimpse of God's love. Stop by the Operation Christmas Child table in the courtyard to pick up a shoebox or go to the Samaritan's Purse website to pack a box online. <https://samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline>.

Christmas in Narnia is returning to ELMO Saturday, December 2, Sign-up today!

Consider joining a Narnia Team for 2023. Volunteer sign ups have begun! See the sign-up sheets in the courtyard or contact Lauri.

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

Join us for "Celebrating Life in the Kingdom" an in-depth study of the book of Matthew.

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.

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: Cleveland Elementary School

- Praise for the births of babies born recently to two school staff members.
- Prayer for the emotional and social needs of an influx of new students arriving from Peru, Guatemala and Honduras who experienced harsh journeys on their way to their new home.
- Prayer for a family whose son with severe physical disabilities is attending the school through a medical visa and the school is able to connect the family with appropriate resources.

Office hours, Monday—Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. 805-969-5041

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