



Sunday, March 17, 2024

"I am," said Jesus. "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven." Mark 14:62

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude David Talbott

Welcome to Our Life Together Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation Taylor Bleecker

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship

Psalm 37

Leader: Take delight in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart.

People: Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun. Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.

Leader: The blameless spend their days under the LORD's care, and their inheritance will endure forever.

People: The LORD makes firm the steps of the one who delights in him; though he may stumble, he will not fall, for the LORD upholds him with his hand.

Leader: Consider the blameless, observe the upright; a future awaits those who seek peace.

All: But all sinners will be destroyed; there will be no future for the wicked. The salvation of the righteous comes from the LORD; he is their stronghold in times of trouble. The LORD helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

^{*} Please stand as you are able.



Faith Milestones - Growing in God's Word Bible Presentation

Confession of Sin Unison

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been idle. You have called us to live faithfully, but we have been afraid. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Keep before us faithful people to follow so that living with courage and love, we may work for and inherit the kingdom promised in Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Peter 1:3-4

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you.

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 welcome to give online at our website or scan the QR code on the back cover. Remember our tithes and offerings are a continued act of worship and a physical act of trusting 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

Dan Patterson

By Your perfect sacrifice I've been brought

Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace Your mercy and your kindness know no end.

Your enemy you've made your friend

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 downstairs in the Creative Studios

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Prayers for the Church and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

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Jesus, Thank You *Hymn of Preparation

The mystr'y of the cross I cannot comprehend The agonies of Calvary.

You the perfect, holy One crushed Your Son

Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me.

Chorus:

Your blood has washed away my sin Bridge:

Jesus, thank You Lover of my soul, I want to live for You

The Father's wrath completely satisfied

Jesus, thank You

Once your enemy now seated at Your table

Jesus, thank You

Scripture Mark 14:43-72

"Peter's Rejection, Jesus' Silence " Sermon Jim Wilson

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Come Thou Fount

- 1. 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 the mount, I'm fixed upon it
 Mount of Thy redeeming love
- 2. Here I raise my Ebenezer
 Hither by Thy help I've come
 And I hope by Thy good pleasure
 Safely to arrive at home
 Jesus sought me when a stranger
 Wandering from the fold of God
 He to rescue me from danger
 Bought me with His precious blood
- 3. Oh, 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, oh take and seal it
 Seal it for Thy courts above

Ministry Moment Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Ryan Warner

*Benediction

Postlude

The flowers today are given in loving memory of Bea Ostrander by her family.



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 may 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 & College

Nursery (ages 0-2.5) & Preschool (ages 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 for ELMO Pres Kids. Curriculum: The Biggest Story Curriculum by Crossway.

Youth: 6th-12th graders meet together the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 6-8 p.m. College: Bible study at Westmont, Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Contact tomhaugen@elmopres.org. *To sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter, email LauriHaugen@elmopres.org.*

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday March 28, Potluck at 5:30 followed by worship and communion. All ages welcome! Sign ups for the potluck on the patio after worship today.

Good Friday March 29 Worship at 12:30 p.m. No childcare provided.

Easter Worship Sunday March 31 10:00 a.m. ELMO Pres Kids, ages 0 to 6th grades. **Holy Week Call to Prayer:** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 reminds us to "Be joyful always; pray continually..." All are invited to participate in a 24-hour prayer watch starting at noon on Maundy Thursday and ending at noon on Good Friday. Sign up March 17 & 23 after worship at the Women in the Word ministry's table. The Fireside Room will be open March 28 from noon to 9:00 p.m. and March 29 from 8:00 a.m. to noon for prayer

Caring

Please take time to pray for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world. Email your prayer requests to prayers@elmopres.org.

In addition, please pray for:

Safety for those serving in the armed forces, including Lt. Morgan Hale, U.S. Navy; Lt. Miles Hale, U.S. Army, sons of Rob and Christine Hale; Lt. Col. James Wentzel, U.S. Air Force, son of Bob and Nancy Phinney; and Spc. Jack Burrows U.S. Army, grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick.

The families and friends of Anne Denig, Sue Slater, Bea Ostrander and Bill Gowler who are experiencing bereavement.

Jim George, residing at Valle Verde, Ron Gouger, for strength battling cancer, Blanche Heitkamp, for continued recovery,

Curtis Whiteman, for continued healing. $_6$ For peace in troubled areas, including Ukraine, Israel and Gaza.

Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries

El Montecito supports numerous ministries and community organizations near and far, including Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Please support Fellowship of Christian Athletes by praying —

- For the Word to fall on fertile soil so when high school students open Bibles given out at our huddles, they turn to the Lord.
- For our leaders in the Dos Pueblos High School community experiencing a rough year walking with students and families facing tragedy and mourning.
- For favor in our meetings with community members as our staff teams fundraise.
- For safety and for hearts turning to Jesus during upcoming FCA events including the Beach Olympics March 17 at West Beach, Night Hikes, school huddles, senior dinners, the pickleball tournament at Westmont on May 11, and summer sports camps.

Connecting & Serving

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

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for "Celebrating Life in the Kingdom," an in-depth study of the Book of Matthew, taught by Patty Wilson.

Women's Bible Study, Thursdays 7:45 - 9:00 a.m. at IHOP at 1701 State St.

Currently studying worship: What do we mean by worship and what does it include? **Men's Bible Study**, Thursdays at 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the Library

Come participate in a study of the Book of Acts. Bring your Bible. Coffee is provided.

Connect with our Ministry Partners:

Our ministry partners love receiving encouraging notes. Reach them this way:
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Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you know of someone in our congregation who needs to be reminded of our church's love and prayers for them, we have an inventory of prayer shawls to warm those in need of encouragement. Knitters and crocheters are welcome as we begin a new project to make newborn hats and baby blankets for Network Medical's new moms. We meet on the third Thursday of the month from 1:30 to 3:30. Please join us!" Contact Fran Lambeth for more information.

Office hours, Monday—Thursday, 9 AM to 2 PM

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