

# WORSHIP



Communion Sunday, June 2, 2024

*"Ezra praised the LORD, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, 'Amen! Amen!' Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground."*

**Nehemiah 8:6**

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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Mary Hurt, Daniel DeVorzon, Dana Stewart

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

## GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

\*Call To Worship

Psalm 19

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

**People: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge. They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them. Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.**

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

**People: The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them righteous.**

Leader: They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.

**All: By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults. Keep your faithful servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then I will be blameless, innocent of transgression. May these words and this meditations of my heart be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer**

\* Please stand as you are able.

## \*Hymn of Praise

## *Cannons*

1. It's falling from the clouds  
A strange and lovely sound  
I hear it in the thunder and rain  
It's ringing in the skies  
Like cannons in the night  
The music of the universe plays
2. Beautiful and free  
The song of galaxies  
Reaching far beyond the Milky way  
Let's join in with the sound  
Come on, let's sing it out  
As the music of the universe plays

*(Chorus)*

We're singing You are holy, great and mighty  
The moon and the stars declare who You are  
I'm so unworthy, but still You love me  
Forever my heart will sing of how great You are

## **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 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 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

### **Offertory**

### **\*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 Apostles' 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.**

*Children in grades K-6 are dismissed for ELMO Pres kids downstairs in the Creative Studios.*

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

**\*Hymn of Preparation**      *Your Words Are Wonderful (Psalm 119)*

1. Your words are wonderful unfolding like the dawn  
A wellspring and the rock we rest upon  
We trust Your promises that keep our hope alive  
They steady us throughout life's weary climb

### *Chorus 1*

Where else can we go, where else can we go  
You have the words of life the words of life

2. Come write Your holy truth upon our longing hearts  
And strengthen us to shine against the dark  
Lord guard us from the lies the enemy will speak  
No guilt remains for those You have redeemed

### *Chorus 2*

Where else can we go where else can we go  
You have the words of life the words of life  
Make Your glory known make Your glory known  
Through all Your words of life Your words of life

### *Bridge*

Give us ears to hear and eyes to see  
Help us in our doubt and unbelief  
Give us ears to hear and eyes to see  
Help us in our doubt and unbelief  
Give us ears to hear and eyes to see  
Help us in our doubt and unbelief

Through all Your words of life Your words of life

Scripture

Nehemiah 7-8

Sermon

*“People Rebuilding Around God’s Word”*

Tom Haugen

## CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Confession of Sin Unison

**Most 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 5:8

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Pastor: Hear and believe in the good news of the gospel.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are cleansed and forgiven!**

**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 celebrate 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.**

**\*Hymn of Response**

*O Praise The Name (Anastasis)*

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| 1. I cast my mind to Calvary<br>Where Jesus bled and died for me<br>I see His wounds, His hands, His feet<br>My Saviour on that cursed tree         | 3. Then on the third at break of dawn<br>The Son of heaven rose again<br>O trampled death where is your sting?<br>The angels roar for Christ the King   |
| 2. His body bound and drenched in tears<br>They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb<br>The entrance sealed by heavy stone<br>Messiah still and all alone | 4. He shall return in robes of white<br>The blazing sun shall pierce the night<br>And I will rise among the saints<br>My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face |

*(Chorus)*

O praise the Name of the Lord our God  
O praise His Name forevermore  
For endless days we will sing Your praise  
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God

**\*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 or email us at [admin@elmopres.org](mailto: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](http://elmopres.org), or on Instagram @elmopres, or subscribe to our YouTube channel: El Montecito Presbyterian Church.



### ELMO Pres Kids & Youth

Nursery (ages 0-2.5) & Preschool (ages 2.5-5) from 9:50 a.m. until end of Worship in the Preschool 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. Pick up children at 11:15.

Youth: 6th-12th graders: Summer Kick-off June 21

*To sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter, email [LauriHaugen@elmopres.org](mailto:LauriHaugen@elmopres.org).*

### 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](mailto: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.

Harriett Hartt, recovering from a stroke; Ron Gouger, for strength battling cancer; Blanche Heitkamp, for continued recovery; Curtis Whiteman, for continued healing. For peace in troubled areas including Haiti, Ukraine, Israel and Gaza.

### Congregational meeting today, 11:15 a.m.

Hear updates from ministry teams, review goals set by Session for 2024-25 and celebrate the faithful service of volunteers. Covenant partners only will vote to install new elders and deacons but all are encouraged to attend.

## **Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries**

ELMO Pres supports numerous ministries and organizations near and far, including our ministry partners in Turkey, Jim and Renata Bultema. They have been serving the Lord for over three decades in Turkey. Continue to pray for:

- Coworkers who've recently been deported and others who've been denied residency, and pray that, despite this current climate in Turkey, the various ministries and witnesses at and through SPCC and Mozaik would continue to flourish.
- The churches of Antalya, that despite the loss of leading members as a result of deportation or denial of residency, they would also continue to thrive and grow.
- Olive Grove has more than 130 students registered. Pray for Olive Grove participants, for Jim and Renata, and all leaders.

## **Connecting & Serving**

**Sermon Series Discussion Group**, Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Library studying Ezra and Nehemiah.

**Prayer Time**, Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Fireside Room

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

Join the study on "Disciplines of a Godly Woman."

**Men's Bible Study**, Thursdays at 9 - 10 a.m. in the Library Bring your Bible to participate in a study of Revelation. Coffee is provided.

**Joy Reflected Luncheon**, Thursday, June 13 at 11:45 a.m. Celebrate summer's arrival with a meal and conversation in the Fellowship Hall. Wear a favorite fun hat. Widows invited, including friends and neighbors. To RSVP and/or request a ride, contact Shirley Fender at fendersender@cox.net.

**All-City Hymn Sing with David Talbott**: Today at 3 pm at Shoreline Community Church, 935 San Andres St.

**Connect with our Ministry Partners:**

Our ministry partners enjoy receiving encouraging notes. Reach them this way:

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*Mary Slater*

### Deacons

*Melissa Hillegas and Darlene James,*

*Co-chairs & Congregational Care*

*Kersten Barr, Community Life*

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