

WORSHIP



Sunday, February 9, 2025

"But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation." - Psalm 13:5

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

David Talbott

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

His mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning, new every morning.

Great is thy faithfulness, O Lord. Great is thy faithfulness.

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

Catechism Question¹: Does Christ's death mean all our sin can be forgiven?

Answer: Yes, because Christ's death on the cross fully paid the penalty of our sin, God graciously imputes Christ's righteousness to us as if it was our own and will remember our sin no more.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 40

Leader: I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry.

People: He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

Leader: He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the LORD and put their trust in him.

People: Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

Leader: Many, LORD my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us.

All: None can compare with you; were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

1. *The New City Catechism*, Crossway

* Please stand as you are able.

***Hymn of Praise**

Holy, Holy, Holy

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
2. Holy, holy, holy
All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee
Which wert and art
And evermore shalt be
3. 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
4. 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

Confession of Sin Unison

Psalm 32:1-6a

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit there is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." And you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Titus 3:4-7

When the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

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. 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

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 are excused to their ELMO Kids classrooms downstairs in the Creative Studios.

Prayers for the Church and the World

Erin Barr

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Preparation** How Long, O Lord, How Long? (Psalm 13)

1. O Lord, our God, to You we come
Will You still hide Your face?
We cry before You and on our knees we pray
How long, O Lord, how long?
2. Our sorrows leave us weak and worn
Surrounded by our fears
We look to heaven through feeble faith and tears
How long, O Lord, how long?

Chorus

- Till Your glory fills our eyes
And our faith is turned to sight
Till our thirsty souls are satisfied
How long, O Lord, how long?
3. Our foes and enemies rejoice
Injustice seems to reign
Lord, we are shaken and we are losing strength
How long, O Lord, how long?
 4. But we will trust Your steadfast love
Your grace will be our song
You bring new mercies with ev'ry rising sun
How long, O Lord, how long?

Scripture

Psalm 13

Sermon

"Prayer of Lament"

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness
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Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me

1. Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be

2. Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature
In manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness
Mercy and love
3. Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside

*Benediction

Postlude

Thank you to our musicians serving in ELMO's music ministry:

Joshua Delp, Annie Haugen, Mary Hurt & David Talbott

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 may get to know you better and send you our weekly newsletter. You may also connect with us on our website at: elmopres.org, find us 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) 9:50 a.m. until end of worship in the Pre-K classrooms.

ELMO Pres Kids (K-7th) are dismissed after the Doxology to the Creative Studios. Please pick up your child after worship.

ELMO Pres Youth Group (6th-12th): Join us in the Creative Studios on the 1st & 3rd Friday nights of the month from 6-8 p.m. for dinner, games, fun and a deep dive into the Gospel of Luke. Next youth group is February 21!

College: Rides from Westmont (departs at 9:40 a.m. at Clark Dorm). Campus Bible Study: Westmont Prayer Chapel, Thursdays, 7 p.m. Contact tomhaugen@elmopres.org
To sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter, email LauriHaugen@elmopres.org

Caring

Please take time to pray for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world. Email 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; Lt. Col. James Wentzel, U.S. Air Force, Cpl. Jack Burrows U.S. Army, AE3 Alex Barr, U.S. Navy.
- For our covenant partners dealing with ongoing health issues and recovery from surgeries: Glen Adams, Darlene James, Cynde Lundgren, Curt & Erlyne Whiteman.
- Pray for all those impacted by the LA fires who are grieving. Ask God to comfort those who have evacuated amidst uncertainty and for God to protect firefighters, first responders and those working in active fire zones.
- Tristan Baker, great-grandson of Bruce Stockin, undergoing treatment for leukemia.

Triple R Capital Campaign Update

As of February 5, we've raised \$1,661,114 toward our Triple R goals totaling \$1.7 M: repair the roof, renovate the manse & retire the debt! Please continue to join us in praying for God to provide for the flourishing future of El Montecito Presbyterian Church!

Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries

El Montecito Presbyterian Church supports numerous ministries and organizations near and far, including Mayu Lux Guillen Villanueva of Morelia, Mexico.

Please support Mayu by praying for:

- For Mayu as she shepherds women in different life circumstances to show Christ's love and to be a friendly contact. She looks for counseling and uplifting opportunities to listen, care and to be there for women in dire circumstances.
- For the Bible studies she leads. Help her to strengthen families and prevent intrafamily violence.
- For Mayu, the beginning of 2025 has been a time of challenges and opportunities to continue trusting in God's goodness and generosity. Please join her in prayer for her ability to discern God's plan.

Connecting & Serving

Sunday Adult Discipleship Survey of the Old Testament. Library at 9 a.m.

Book fee is \$20.

Sunday Adult Discipleship Prayer Workshop: 11:30-12:30, Sundays through Feb. 23 in the library. Led by Ben Patterson.

College Super Bowl Party, today at 3 p.m. in ELMO Pres. Creative Studios. Bring friends and snacks to share! We'll also open up the Pottery Studio for those of you less interested in the game! Suggested donation: \$10 for clay, glaze, and firing.

Prayer Time, Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room.

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

Women's Bible Study, Thursdays at 7:45 - 9 a.m. at IHOP at 1701 State St. New study: 1 & 2 Peter!

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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, Third Thursday every month, 1:30-3:30 in Fellowship Hall. Join us to knit, crochet or quilt! Contact Fran Lambeth for more information.

Nursery & Preschool Ministry, we need help sharing Christ with the youngest members of our church and their families. Email laurihaugen@elmopres.org if you can help!

Coffee Fellowship Team, we need volunteers on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays of each month. Training provided. Contact Kersten Barr at kerstenbarr@gmail.com to join!

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

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If you would like to connect with one of the following, please email:

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