

WORSHIP

El Montecito
Presbyterian Church



Sunday, September 14, 2025

"But you are chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

1 Peter 2:9

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

David Talbott

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 118:21-29

Leader: I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

People: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Leader: The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

People: LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you. The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine on us.

Leader: With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.

All: You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

** Please stand as you are able.*

***Hymn of Praise**

Be Thou My Vision (Lord You Are)

1. Be Thou my Vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light
2. Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one
3. Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of Heaven my Treasure Thou art

Bridge

- Lord You are more precious than silver
Lord You are more costly than gold
Lord You are more beautiful than diamonds
And nothing I desire compares with You
4. High King of Heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys oh bright Heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my Vision O Ruler of all

Confession of Sin Unison

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a burden of guilt and shame. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Colossians 1:13-14

For the Father has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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 on our website or scan the QR code with your phone's camera. 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

Ginger Ketzel

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 in the Creative Studios

Prayers for the Church and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

The Church's One Foundation

1. The church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord,
She is His new creation
By water and the Word.
From heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.
2. Elect from every nation,
Yet one over all the earth;
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.
3. The church shall never perish,
Her dear Lord to defend
To guide, sustain and cherish,
Is with her to the end
Though there be those that hate her,
And false sons in her pale
Against a foe or traitor,
She ever shall prevail
4. Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

Scripture

1 Peter 2:4-10

Sermon

"The Church is the Temple of God"

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Build My Life

1. Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
2. Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Chorus

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

*Benediction

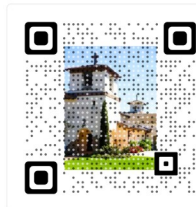
Postlude

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

Daniel DeVorzon, Annie Haugen, Dan Patterson, Anna Steiner, David Talbott & Jim Wilson

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you are worshiping with us today.

Please scan the QR code to fill out the Connect Form so we may get to know you better and send you our weekly newsletter. Visit our website at: www.elmopres.org, find us on Instagram @elmopres or subscribe to our YouTube channel: El Montecito Presbyterian Church.



ELMO Pres Kids, Youth & College

Nursery (3 mo.-2.5 yrs.) & **Preschool** (ages 2.5-5 yrs.) 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 Student Ministry (6th-12th) Join us in the Creative Studios for “Friday Nights at ELMO” on the 1st & 3rd Friday nights of the month from 6– 8 p.m. Dinner, games, fun and a deep dive into the book of Acts. Next up: Sept. 19th!

ELMO Pres College “Catch a Ride” from Clark dorm at 9:35 a.m. All Church Lunch in Fellowship Hall on Sept. 21. College Lunches in the Creative Studios Nov. 16 & Dec. 14.

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 AE3 Alex Barr, U.S. Navy; Sgt. Jack Burrows, U.S. Army; Lt. Col. James Wentzel, U.S. Air Force.
- For Hayden Catron working as a wilderness firefighter.
- For our covenant partners dealing with ongoing health issues and recovery from surgeries: Chris Ashford, Josefina Everett, Brian Johnson, Ann Marie King, Donna Medwid, Bruce Stockin, Curt & Erlyne Whiteman.
- Bereavement for Pete West’s family as they grieve the passing of his father, John. Memorial is Sept. 20, 11 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church. Bereavement for the family and friends of Netta Jones, memorial at Santa Ynez Pres. October 18, 2 p.m.
- Jackson Zerwas, an ELMO Pres Youth Leader and pre-med senior at Westmont College as he completes his Global Health requirement in Uganda this Fall semester.

Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries

Fellowship of Christian Athletes' mission is to lead every coach and athlete in a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. We appreciate your partnership to make an impact in this community for Christ. Please pray for:

- High School and College huddles starting up on campuses.
- For the student leaders being bold to invite their friends and share the Gospel.
- For "Fields of Faith" on October 8th at Santa Barbara HS to be a catalytic event in our faith community. ELMO Families please come and be a part of it!
- For our staff in SB to grow in trust in the Lord and love for our community (Cade, Bailey, Macey, Andrew, Diego, Justie, Jackson, Gavin, Natalie, Kayla, Britt and Ryan)

Connecting & Serving

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

Women in the Word, Mondays, in Fellowship Hall beginning September 15 at 9:30 a.m. Our theme for the year is God Will Make a Way: studying Joshua, Worship & Praying the Psalms.

Bible Study Fellowship, Wednesdays, 9:30-11 a.m. Preschool program for children ages 0-5. Register at bsfinternational.org

Women's Bible Study, Thursdays, 7:45-9 a.m. at IHOP on State St. Studying 1 & 2 Peter.

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

Prayer Shawl Ministry, September 18, 1:30-3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

All Church Fall Kick Off Lunch, September 21 following worship in Fellowship Hall.

Pickleball Tournament, October 5, 2-5 p.m. at the SB Municipal Courts.

Find Your Serve, email admin@elmopres.org to learn more about where you can use your gifts. We always need greeters, coffee servers, and helpers serving on the children's ministry, worship and community life teams!

Connect with our Ministry Partners: Our ministry partners enjoy receiving encouraging notes. Contact information: Greg & Chris Callison: gregandchris@callison.net; James & Renata Bultema: jamesbultema@spccturkey.com, renatabultema@spccturkey.com; Dana & Karen Ostby: danaostby@gmail.com, karina@lite.email; Ryan & Brittany Warner: rwarner@fca.org, bwarner@fca.org; United World Mission, Mexico, Mayu Guillen Villanueva: mayuguivi@gmail.com; Manuel & Laura Vivanco: laura.vivanco@uwm.org; Rancho Sordo Mundo, Ed Everett: mrneondemexico@hotmail.com, Luke Everett: sanlucasrsm@gmail.com.

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