

WORSHIP

El Montecito
Presbyterian Church



Sunday, September 28, 2025

*"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship,
to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

People: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

All: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."

***Hymn of Praise**

Worthy Is Your Name

1. It was my cross You bore
So I could live in the freedom You died for
And now my life is Yours
And I will sing of Your goodness forevermore

Bridge

Be exalted now in the heavens
As Your glory fills this place
You alone deserve our praise
You're the name above all names

Chorus

Worthy is Your name, Jesus
You deserve the praise, worthy is Your name
Worthy is Your name, Jesus
You deserve the praise, worthy is Your name

2. And now my shame is gone
I stand amazed in Your love undeniable
Your grace goes on and on
And I will sing of Your goodness forevermore

(Chorus)

Confession of Sin Unison

God of everlasting love, we confess that we have been unfaithful in our relationship with you and with one another. We have worshiped other gods: money, power, greed, and convenience. We have served our own self-interest instead of serving you and your people. We have not loved our neighbor as you have commanded, nor have we rightly loved ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness of our relationship with you and one another. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 5:1

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord, Jesus Christ."

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 www.elmopres.org/give-online 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

Ryan Warner

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

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

1. How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He would give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One
Bring many sons to glory
2. Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished
3. I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

1. What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer
There is no more for Heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me
2. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future's sure, the price, it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus, now and ever is my plea
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me
3. With every breath, I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day, I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me"

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When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me" (3x)

***Benediction**

Postlude

*Thank you to our musicians serving in ELMO's music ministry:
Daniel DeVorzon, Emily Sommermann, Anna Steiner & David Talbott*



Sermon notes:

Interested in joining a Home Group Bible Study this Fall?

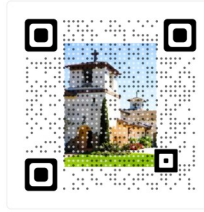
Please fill out the interest form so we can gauge interest and, as God provides, launch some more groups! Studying 1 & 2 Thessalonians beginning week of October 5th for 8 weeks.

Scan QR code with your phone's camera to access form.



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: October 3 & 17!

ELMO Pres College “Catch a Ride” from Clark dorm at 9:35 a.m. 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: Josefina Everett, Shirley Fender, Brian Johnson, Ginger Ketzel, Ann Marie King, Donna Medwid, Bruce Stockin, Curt & Erlyne Whiteman and Jim Worthen.
- Bereavement for the family and friends of Betsy Knight. Bereavement for the family and friends of Pete West’s Dad. 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.
- Praise the Lord for the arrival of Rebekah Jane Hurt, born September 16. Please pray for rest, recovery, and God’s blessings over this precious new life. If you’d like to bring the Hurt Family a meal, sign-up here: www.mealtrain.com/trains/w4o8r1

Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries

El Montecito Presbyterian Church supports numerous ministries and organizations near and far, including the ministry of Manuel and Laura Vivanco of Mexico City. Please pray:

- That God will continue to work in the lives of all who heard the message through outreach programs, VBS and the Noche Mexicana.
- For the Sept. 30 prayer service for the community their Chiconautla church will host.
- For one final outreach program their youth will offer on October 18.
- For guidance as they equip new leaders for children's ministries, global missions and local outreach in their main church to better distribute the work load.
- For success getting Manuel's old Subaru running again so he can drive it (and not their van) in the rough and rustic areas he visits regularly.

Connecting & Serving

Sunday Adult Discipleship, in the Library at 9 a.m. Each week, we will prepare for our worship time and dive into the scripture passage for our sermon. Everyone is welcome!

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

Women in the Word, Mondays, in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. Studying Joshua. To sign up, call Patty Wilson: 805-689-4496 or text Deborah Bertling: 805-698-0952.

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, studying Romans.

Deepening Your Conversation with God—Learning to Love to Pray, led by Ben Patterson. Begins TODAY, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Library.

Pickleball Tournament, October 5, 2-5 p.m. at the SB Municipal Courts. Register by Friday for this fun intergenerational event. Registration QR code on flyers in the courtyard!

Third Thursdays, 9-9:45 a.m. - Church & Early School Moms, you're invited to join us in the Creative Studios for a monthly gathering designed just for you! We'll spend about 45 minutes together over lattes, learning and encouraging one another. October 16th Topic: "Helping Preschoolers Thrive with Loving Boundaries" with Dr. Mary Patterson.

Saturday Night In the Courtyard, October 25, 4-7 p.m. - Big Joe's Tacos, Rori's Ice Cream, & GOOD VIBES for a good cause. Featuring Westmont Bands: SHABB, Dock, & Loveseat. Purchase a meal to support New Beginnings, a safe parking shelter and rapid rehousing program in Santa Barbara.

New Covenant Partner Class, Saturday, Nov. 8, 9 a.m-1 p.m. in the Creative Studios. Continental breakfast, coffee, and lunch provided. Email admin@elmopres.org to RSVP and indicate if you have any dietary restrictions for lunch.

Christmas in Narnia Volunteers Needed - Sign Up QR code on flyers in courtyard!

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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