

WORSHIP

El Montecito
Presbyterian Church



Reformation Sunday, October 26, 2025

*"May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else,
just as ours does for you." 1 Thessalonians 3:12*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Emily Sommermann & David Talbott

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

Lead Me, Lord #49

Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness.

Make Thy way plain before my face.

For it is Thou, Lord, Thou, Lord, only

That makest me dwell in safety.

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

Psalm 46

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

Leader: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

People: Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Leader: Come and see what the LORD has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

All: He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

** Please stand as you are able.*

***Hymn of Praise**

Rejoice the Lord is King #228

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| 1. Rejoice, the Lord is King:
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! | 3. His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! |
| 2. The Lord, our Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He has purged our stains,
He took his seat above;
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! | 4. Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord and judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice |

Confession of Sin Unison

Father God we confess our need for Your renewing grace. Though You call us to live by Your Word, we have often trusted in ourselves, ignored Your truth, and resisted Your Spirit. We have divided what You would make one. We have sought comfort over faithfulness, and human approval over Your glory. Our hearts are slow to repent and quick to judge. Forgive us, Lord. Reform what is broken in us and in Your Church. Restore us to the joy of the gospel, and lead us again to Christ, our only hope and righteousness. In His name we pray. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:8-9

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast.

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

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

Janet Gates

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

Be Thou My Vision #382

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, 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.
4. High King of heaven, my victory won;
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall;
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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

Chorus

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. The night is dark, but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior, He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed

Chorus

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley, He will lead
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

3. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price, it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

Chorus

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

4. 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

Chorus

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

***Benediction**

Postlude

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

*The flowers today are given in loving memory of Joyce Hutchinson with gratitude
for all her years of service at El Montecito Presbyterian Church*

Financial Statement of YTD Actuals Through September 30, 2025

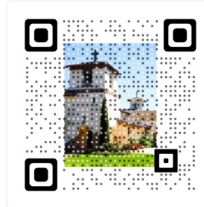
Revenue YTD \$178,583

Expenses YTD \$229,115

Net (\$50,530)

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: November 7!

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 our covenant partners dealing with ongoing health issues and recovery from surgeries: Josefina Everett, Brian Johnson, Ann Marie King, Donna Medwid, Bruce Stockin, Curt & Erlyne Whiteman and Jim Worthen.
- Bereavement for the family and friends of Betsy Knight and Joyce Hutchinson.
- Bereavement for the family and friends of Shirley Fender—Celebration of Life will be on Friday, November 7th at 2 p.m. at ELMO Pres.
- 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

El Montecito Presbyterian Church supports ministry partners near and far including Dana and Karen Ostby serving Indonesia and central Asia. Karen has just finished a training on Facilitating Relational Learning. Pray for effective implementation with her women leaders and interns. Karen is also taking our weekend interns through a trauma healing training. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide and minister. Dana is helping his team leader shape two new books tracing how disciple making movements have started in several parts of the country. Pray for clarity and insight into two different kinds of readers. Please pray for our children and their spouses to continue to follow hard after God. Two of them are trying to get established in houses in California this month.

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 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Library thru November 16.

Christmas in Narnia Volunteers Needed, Saturday, December 6th, 1-4:30 p.m. Sign-up to help with this imaginative community outreach using the QR code on flyers in courtyard!

Praise and Pie, Sunday, November 23 following worship in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy lunch, pie, and thankful fellowship with your church family.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are due back by November 16.

Poultry Drive to benefit the Food Bank of Santa Barbara. Deliver frozen chickens or turkeys to church courtyard on Sunday, November 23, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Christmas Eve Choir 20 minute practices after worship on 11/30, 12/7, 12/14 & 12/21.

All ages & abilities are welcome. We will sing at the beginning of both Christmas Eve worship gatherings at 3 p.m. & 5 p.m. Music will be available to pick up November 23.

Email maryhurt@elmopres.org if you're interested.

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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