

WORSHIP



EL MONTECITO
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 17, 2026

Confirmation Sunday

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

***Call to Worship— Psalm 67**

Travis Rutland

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us.

People: So that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.

Leader: May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.

All: May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth. May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us. May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

** Please stand as you are able.*

*Hymn of Praise

How Great is Our God

1. The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

2. And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Bridge

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

New Covenant Partners and Confirmands

Genevieve Bragg
Jocelyn Haugen
Marshall Patterson
Travis Rutland

Confession of Sin Unison

God of the Great Commission, we confess the weakness of our faith. While we have been sent, we hedge and hesitate. We are often driven more by our fears than our faith in You and Your Kingdom. We are witnesses of your grace and glory but allow others to silence our praise. We imprison ourselves with doubt and shame and fail to shine your light for all to see. But we are wrong. You are the Way, the Truth, and the Life. You are the resurrected Lord. You are the one who forgives our sins. You are the one who loves more deeply than we can imagine. Forgive our fears and free our testimony. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Timothy 2:3-6a

God our Savior wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all people.

Leader: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Prayer of Dedication for Our Tithes & Offerings

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 & 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 & the world.

Genevieve Bragg



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 Pres. Kids classrooms in the Creative Studios.

Prayers for the Church and the World

Larry Godec

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

Abide

1. For my waking breath
For my daily bread
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the sun to rise
For my sleep at night
I depend on You
I depend on You

Chorus 1

You're the way the truth and the life
You're the well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

2. Where the Spirit leads
As I'm following
I depend on You
I depend on You
For the victories
Still in front of me
I depend on You
I depend on You

Chorus 2

You're the way the truth and the life
You're the well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to abide
Be my strength my song in the night
Be my all my treasure my prize
I am Yours forever You're mine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

3. When I pass through death
As I enter rest
I depend on You
I depend on You
For eternal life
To be raised with Christ
I depend on You
I depend on You

Scripture

Matthew 10-12

Sermon

"Sent on Mission"

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Facing a Task Unfinished

1. Facing a task unfinished
That drives us to our knees
A need that undiminished
Rebukes our slothful ease
We who rejoice to know Thee
Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee
To go and make Thee known
2. Where other lords beside Thee
Hold their unhindered sway
Where forces that defied Thee
Defy Thee still today
With none to heed their crying
For life and love and light
Unnumbered souls are dying
And pass into the night
3. We bear the torch that flaming
Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming
That Jesus died and rose
Ours is the same commission
The same glad message ours
Fired by the same ambition
To Thee we yield our powers
4. O Father who sustained them
O Spirit who inspired
Saviour whose love constrained them
To toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us
From lethargy awake
Forth on Thine errands send us
To labour for Thy sake

Chorus

We go to all the world
With (His) kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ The Lord

*Benediction

Postlude

Baptisms TODAY after worship at Butterfly Beach.

*Thank you to our musicians serving in ELMO's music ministry:
Jocelyn Haugen, Mary Hurt, Rand Olsen, Cor Patterson & Marshall Patterson*

Welcome Visitors!

We are glad you are worshipping with us today. **Please fill out a visitor card or scan the QR code with your phone's camera** to fill out a Connect Form so we may get to know you better. Visit our website at: www.elmopres.org, find us on Instagram @elmopres or subscribe to our YouTube channel. You are welcome to join us for our weekly worship gatherings every Sunday at 10 a.m.



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-6th) 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: May 29!

ELMO Pres College *We are praying for you as you return home, work and play this summer. If you're sticking around Santa Barbara, email Lauri to stay connected!*

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 AE2 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: Alice Amspoker, Ann Marie King and Curt & Erlyne Whiteman.
- Bereavement for the family & friends of Don Rhodes. Memorial is June 13 at 3 p.m.

Outreach & Missions Prayer Connection

Each week we spend time praying for a ministry we support including Cristo es el Camino, a church located in Canon Buena Vista, a village 25 miles south of Ensenada. Our church has a 30+ year history of partnering with this ministry. Pastor Jordan Ismael Damian Jaimes has been called and installed at the church since Pastor Noe Gomez's passing last year. Please pray:

- Pastor Jordan and his wife have been celebrating the increase of people coming to church! They celebrated 35 years as a church last weekend and also had a chance to meet with other churches the week before in Tijuana.
- They are encouraged by the music ministry on Sundays as well as the book sale ministry that their church has for newcomers.
- Pray for them as they reach out to the young families in their community, inviting them to worship and join in God's work!

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, last bible study, May 18.

Bible Study Fellowship will resume September 9 on Wednesdays from 9:30-11 a.m.

Women's Bible Study, Thursdays, 7:45-9 a.m. at IHOP on State St., Intervarsity Study of Isaiah. Contact Barb at bkennedy@westmont.edu with questions.

Men's Bible Study, Thursdays, 9-10 a.m. in the Library, studying 1 & 2 Peter.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will resume June 18th from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Are you receiving our Wednesday newsletter? Email admin@elmopres.org to sign-up and read a weekly letter from Pastor Tom and stay informed about church events.

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

Rev. Dr. Tom Haugen, Pastor
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The Entire Congregation, Ministers of the Gospel

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Tom Haugen, Moderator
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