

WORSHIP

Sunday, July 26, 2026



EL MONTECITO
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him.

Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken." **Psalm 62:1-2**

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Summer Hughes

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 19

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.

People: They have no speech; they use no words; no sound is heard from them. Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world. In the heavens

God has pitched a tent for the sun.

Leader: It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, like a champion rejoicing to run his course. It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth.

People: The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

Leader: The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.

All: By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

** Please stand as you are able.*

***Hymn of Praise**

Cannons

1. It's falling from the clouds
A strange and lovely sound
I hear it in the thunder and the rain
It's ringing in the skies
Like cannons in the night
The music of the universe plays

Chorus 1

- You are holy, great and mighty
The moon and the stars declare who You are
I'm so unworthy but still You love me
Forever my heart will sing of how great You are
2. Beautiful and free
The song of galaxies
Reaching far beyond the Milky Way
Let's join in with the sound
Come on, let's sing it out
As the music of the universe plays

Chorus 2

(We're singing) You are holy, great and mighty
The moon and the stars declare who You are
I'm so unworthy but still You love me
Forever my heart will sing of You

Bridge

All glory, honor, power is Yours, amen
All glory, honor, power is Yours, amen
All glory, honor, power is Yours, forever amen

Confession of Sin Unison

Heavenly Father, we confess that we often forget Who it is we worship. You alone are the great and almighty God, our loving heavenly Father. Yet we do not fully trust and obey you. Instead, we become consumed by fear, worry, self-pity, and the concerns of this world. Forgive us for allowing our hearts to be captivated by fleeting things rather than by your eternal kingdom. In your unfailing love, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, in whom we have a sure hope, a secure love, and an unshakable salvation — far greater

than the false hopes and empty promises of this world. Through the redeeming death and resurrection of your Son, by the power of your Holy Spirit, and through the truth of your Word, transform and renew us. Teach us to delight in your will and to walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Titus 3:4-7

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of the righteous things we have 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

Prayer of Dedication for Our Tithes & Offerings

Kirk Gilbert

Music of Reflection

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.



***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.

Elementary students remain in worship throughout the summer months.

Prayers for the Church and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest)

1. Be still my soul, the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain
Be still my soul, thy best thy heav'nly friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end
2. Be still my soul, thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still my soul, the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

Chorus

- In You I rest, in You I found my hope
In You I trust, You never let me go
I place my life within Your hands alone
Be still my soul
3. Be still my soul, the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone
Sorrow forgot, Love's purest joys restored
Be still my soul, when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed, we shall meet at last

Scripture

Psalm 62

Sermon

Rest for the Restless Soul

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

1. What is our hope in life and death
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand
What comes apart from His command
And what will keep us to the end
The love of Christ in which we stand
3. Unto the grave what will we sing
Christ He lives, Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

Chorus

- O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death
2. What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Ministry Moment

IMPACT Turkey

Pamela Gilbert

*Benediction

Postlude

*Thank you to our musicians serving in ELMO's music ministry:
Grant Bragg, Annie Haugen, Jocelyn Haugen, Summer Hughes, Mary Hurt,
Alita Rhodes and Dana Stewart*

A prayer team is available in the left transept following the worship gathering.

Welcome Visitors!

We are glad you are worshiping 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.

A LIVING HOPE FOR EVERY HEART
SCAN ME!



CONNECT AT ELMO PRES

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) Elementary students remain in worship for the summer. Pick-up an activity guide on your way into worship.

ELMO Pres Student Ministry (6th-12th) *Summer Wednesday Nights*, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (eat before you come). Play some crazy games, hang out with friends, and anchor yourself in the Psalms this summer!

Fall Youth Retreat at Campus by the Sea on Catalina Island, September 25-27.

Middle and high school students: Snorkel, hike, kayak, enjoy community, worship and dive into God's Word! See back of the bulletin for more info and scan the QR code to register!

Cost: \$250 **Registration closes August 28 so sign-up today!**

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: Ann Marie King, David Talbott, Curt & Erlyne Whiteman.
- Bereavement for the family & friends of Don Rhodes, Mo Morrison, and Marilyn Nichols.
- Bereavement for the family & friends of Jerry Belch. Memorial is September 2 at 10 a.m.
- Bereavement for the family & friends of Charles Jasper Simpson, Jr., brother-in-law of John and Andria Raymont.

Outreach & Missions Prayer Connection

Each week we spend time praying for one of our ministry partners including IMPACT, a local Christian short-term sending ministry active on the South Coast for three decades. This summer, covenant partner Pamela Gilbert participated in a six-member ministry trip to Turkey. There are many ways we in the U.S. can pray for believers, and those who are curious about Christianity, in Turkey and in other parts of the Middle East. Prayers may include:

- Prayer for pastors and leaders of churches in Turkey and elsewhere in the region who face pressure – including death threats and police surveillance – by committing their lives to bringing others to Christ. Pray for the cohesion and cooperation among regional churches as they further God’s kingdom in a hostile setting.
- Prayer for believers to stay strong in the face of discrimination and marginalization as members of a minority in the Muslim world.
- Prayer for Umut, a 24-year-old college-student believer from Antalya, who secured hard-to-come-by passport and visa to travel to a neighboring country this week to encourage believers.
- Prayer for the underground church, in another neighboring country, that Turkish believers actively support in prayer and other means.

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 starts September 14. Mondays, 9:30-11:15 in Fellowship Hall. Studying the Gospel of Mark and The Power of the Holy Spirit. Small friendship groups, music with Deborah Bertling and Barbi Wilson, and teaching by Patty Wilson. You may join any time.

Bible Study Fellowship resumes September 9! Wednesdays from 9:30-11 a.m. Studying Romans. Register online at bsfinternational.org

Women’s Bible Study, Thursdays, 7:45-9 a.m. at Samarkand, Oaks Dining Room. Studying Isaiah. New members welcome at any time. Email Barb at bkennedy@westmont.edu

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

Prayer Class “In the Gap” with Ben Patterson, Sundays, 11:30-12:30 in the Library. Intercessory prayer for the church and world.

All-Church Beach Day at Miramar Beach, Sunday, August 2, following worship. BYO lunch!

Church office hours in July by appointment.

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

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**REGISTRATION CLOSES
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28**

Camper Registration Form:
<https://elmopres.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/84/responses/new>



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