

WORSHIP



EL MONTECITO
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Communion Sunday, August 2, 2026

*"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.
Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story - Let them give thanks to the LORD
for his unfailing love." Psalm 107:1-2a, 8*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

Praise the Lord

Praise the Lord

Sing His greatness

All creation

Praise the Lord,

Raise your voice

You heights and all you depths

From furthest east to west

Let everything that has breath

Praise the Lord

** Please stand as you are able.*

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship

Psalm 111

Leader: Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

People: Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

Leader: He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and compassionate.

People: He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. He has shown his people the power of his works, giving them the lands of other nations.

Leader: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

All: They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness. He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever - holy and awesome is his name. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

*Hymn of Praise

Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)

1. You made the starry hosts
You traced the mountain peaks
You paint the evening skies with wonders
The earth it is Your throne
From desert to the sea
All nature testifies Your splendor

Chorus 1

Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord
Sing His greatness
All creation
Praise the Lord
Raise your voice
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord

2. You reached into the dust
In love Your Spirit breathed
You formed us in Your very likeness
To know Your wondrous works
To tell Your mighty deeds
To join the everlasting chorus
3. Let symphonies resound
Let drums and choirs ring out
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring
Its honors to the King
A roar of harmonies eternal

Chorus 2

Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord
Sing His greatness
All creation
Praise the Lord
Raise your voice
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west
You distant burning stars
All creatures near and far
From sky to sea to shore
Sing out forevermore
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Prayer of Dedication for Our Tithes & Offering

Melia Haugen

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.

Affirmation of Faith Unison

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be

3. Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence
To cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine
With ten thousand beside

Chorus

- Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me
2. Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars
In their courses above
Join with all nature
In manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness
Mercy and love

Scripture
Sermon

Let the Redeemed Tell Their Story

Psalm 107
Tom Haugen



Sermon notes:

***Hymn of Response**

The Goodness of God

1. I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

- All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God
2. I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Confession of Sin Unison

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash away my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. Cleanse me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Exodus 34:6-7

The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin.

Pastor: Hear and believe in the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

The Celebration of Communion

You have an individual prepackaged communion kit. We will eat the bread and drink the cup together as we remember Christ's death and resurrection and celebrate our common union in Christ.

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

The Lord's Prayer Unison

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Communion Hymn**

Christus Victor (Amen)

1. O Most High, King of the ages
Great I AM, God of wonders
By the blood You have redeemed us
Led us through mighty waters
Our strength, our song, our sure salvation
 3. O Most High, King of the nations
Robed in praise, crowned with splendor
On that day who will not tremble?
When You stand, Christ the Victor
Who was, and is, and is forever
- Chorus 1*
Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing, honor, glory, power
For the battle You have won
Hallelujah, Amen!
- Bridge*
Amen, Amen, Amen!
2. O Most High, dwelling among us
Son of Man, sent for sinners
By Your blood You have redeemed us
Spotless Lamb, mighty Savior
Who lived, who died, who rose victorious

Chorus 2

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing, honor, glory, power
For the battle You have won
Hallelujah!

***Benediction**

Postlude

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

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

Mary Hurt, Rand Olsen, Cor, Marshall & Imre Patterson and David Talbott

*The flowers today are given in loving memory of Bill & Margie Shade and Greg Shade,
Sally Morehart's parents and brother.*

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.

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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 youth group is done. Get ready for Fall Youth Group Kick-off Friday, September 18, 6-8 p.m.

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! Registration closes August 28. See back of the bulletin for more info and scan the QR code to register! Cost: \$250

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: Judy Cooper-Ashford, Ann Marie King, Ann Porter, 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.

Outreach & Missions Prayer Connection

Each week we spend time praying for one of our ministry partners including Transition House which has been providing family solutions for homelessness in Santa Barbara for fifty years. Last year, Transition House helped 83 families avoid homelessness by providing housing, care and training with the long-term goals of saving money, paying their bills independently, while providing a safe, stable place for their children to grow. Please join in praying for this vital local organization in the following ways:

- For their staff, case managers and volunteers to be guided by God's love and wisdom as they walk alongside and assist those in their various programs.
- Gratitude for the ELMO Pres volunteers who serve dinner monthly (and have for over 40 years!) and that God's love, grace and joy be evident and transformative to those they serve. *We also need more volunteers if you would be willing!*
- For God to protect and provide for those on awaiting housing and that additional housing would be made available.

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 Thursday Bible Study is taking a short break! We are still studying Isaiah and meeting in the Oaks Dining Room at Samarkand. Breakfast meetings will resume September 10th at 7:45 a.m. 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 TODAY, following worship.

Location change: EAST BEACH—BYO lunch!

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

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**FALL YOUTH
RETREAT**

**COST:
\$250**

FRIDAY, SEP 25 - SUNDAY, SEP 27
CAMPUS BY THE SEA, CATALINA ISLAND

Middle & high school students: Spend a weekend on Catalina Island—snorkel, hike, kayak, enjoy community, worship, and dive into God's Word!

**REGISTRATION CLOSES
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28**

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

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