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EL MONTECITO
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 8th, 2026

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."
Romans 6:23

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 86:7-13

Leader: Show us your unfailing love, LORD, and grant us your salvation.

People: I will listen to what God the LORD says; he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants—but let them not turn to folly.

Leader: Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

People: Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

Leader: Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven.

All: The LORD will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.

***Hymn of Praise** *How Great Thou Art*

1. O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
   Consider all the works Thy hand hath made
   I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder
   Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

Chorus

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
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2. And when I think that God His Son not sparing
   Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in
   That on the Cross my burden gladly bearing
   He bled and died to take away my sin

3. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
   And take me home what joy shall fill my heart
   Then shall I bow in humble adoration
   And there proclaim my God how great Thou art

Confession of Sin Unison

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, and our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Change our hearts and transform our lives, that we might desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

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Assurance of Forgiveness Romans 5:6-8

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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 Janet Gates

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 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 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.

ELMO Pres Kids in grades 1st-6th are excused to meet their teachers in the courtyard before proceeding to their classrooms downstairs. Following worship, please pick up your children in their classrooms.

Prayers for the Church and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Preparation** *Living Hope*

1. How great the chasm that lay between us
   How high the mountain I could not climb
   In desperation I turned to heaven
   And spoke Your name into the night
   Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
   Tore through the shadows of my soul
   The work is finished the end is written
   Jesus Christ my living hope

2. Who could imagine so great a mercy
   What heart could fathom such boundless grace
   The God of ages stepped down from glory
   To wear my sin and bear my shame
   The cross has spoken I am forgiven
   The King of kings calls me His own
   Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
   Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

3. Then came the morning that sealed the promise
   Your buried body began to breathe
   Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
   Declared the grave has no claim on me (repeat)
   Jesus yours is the victory!

Scripture Romans 5:1-6:23

Sermon *"From Adam to Christ"* Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn of Response**

Your Grace is Enough/Amazing Grace

1. Great is Your faithfulness O God
   You wrestle with the sinner's heart
   You lead us by still waters into mercy
   And nothing can keep us apart
   So remember Your people
   Remember Your children
   Remember Your promise O God

Chorus

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

2. Great is Your love and justice God
   You use the weak to lead the strong
   You lead us in the song of Your salvation
   And all Your people sing along
   So remember Your people
   Remember Your children
   Remember Your promise O God

Amazing Grace

1. Amazing grace how sweet the sound
   That saved a wretch like me
   I once was lost but now am found
   Was blind but now I see

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

2. When we've been there ten thousand years
   Bright shining as the sun
   We've no less days to sing God's praise
   Than when we've first begun

***Benediction**

Postlude

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

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