

WORSHIP

Sunday, June 7, 2020

Scattered Together

Welcome & Announcements [Click here for the Throop's video announcements](#)

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church's interactive worship gathering online. Today, we're looking at Elisha's radical "all in obedience" to God's call as an encouragement for us to do the next right thing God calls us to do. As we worship today, may our hearts be encouraged, may our love abound in knowledge and depth of insight, and may our hands be equipped to produce the fruits of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ – to the glory and praise of God.

Prelude

[I Sing the Mighty Power of God](#)

Matthew Roy

Click on title for music

Call to Worship

From Psalm 103 (Read in unison)

Praise the LORD, O my soul, and all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits – who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

From everlasting to everlasting the LORD's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children – with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts. The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.

Praise the LORD, O my soul.

Worship in Song

[Click here for all 3 worship songs](#)

Matthew & Jess Roy

Lord of Lords

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Give Me Jesus

Prayers for the Church & the World

Ginger Ketzal

Gracious God, we come to you in the strong name of Jesus with hearts full of praise and thanksgiving. In him we have been forgiven, adopted into your family, made righteous in your sight, given the gift of the Holy Spirit and assured of our resurrection into glory. God, you love us deeply from your heart and there is nothing we can do about it! We can't add to your love for us, and we can't diminish your love for us. We can simply enjoy it, be changed by it and share it with others. What a great God you are!

Loving and Gracious God, we lower our heads and confess that we have forgotten that we are yours. We have followed the desires of our hearts and sinned against you in thought, word and deed. Lord, have mercy on us and forgive us through Christ Jesus.

We come also with burdens and cares. We look at the world today and see brokenness, and chaos. We pray for people near and far who need courage to replace their fear; hope to replace their despair; peace to replace turmoil; joy for sorrow; strength for weakness; friendship for loneliness; wisdom for confusion and comfort for loss.

We pray for those personally touched by the pandemic- those who have lost loved ones, those who are ill, those who are on the front lines fighting this terrible disease. Grant them courage, strength, comfort and health.

Looking at the events in our country these last days, we know that things need to change in our nation- may we be part of that change. God, as Tom has led us to pray, "may we indeed never forget that we are called to be your instruments of mercy, peace and justice in this fallen world. Give us courage to love boldly until Jesus, the Prince of Peace returns and death, illness, injustice, and crying are no more."

We pray too for the Church universal- for our brothers and sisters in the faith all over the world- especially those who suffer persecution for their faith. O God- give them peace and strength and the assurance that you are with them.

Take some time to intercede for your family, friends and neighbors. Pray for our world leaders, medical professionals, and first responders as they deal with the COVID-19 virus. Pray for the worldwide church and missionaries serving in kingdom work. Pray for Pastor Tom, Elders, Deacons and staff as we serve and prepare for reopening our church campus. Pray for our ELMO family with specific needs:

Our Missionaries the Bultemas, Callisons, Mexico Mission Partners and Alex Smith
Bill Gowler, for a new 4 to 7 week radiation treatment for his cancer
Ann Marie King, for recent diagnosis of A Fib and recovery from a heart ablation procedure
Bill Allmon, for his heart condition and Anita as caregiver
Reverend George W. Smith, Jeffrey Smith's dad, for cancer surgery and that it has not spread
Gordon Reisig, for a full recovery from surgery on his brain
Frank Phillips, for recovery from hip replacement surgery
Lynette Johnson, for recovery from surgery to remove a brain tumor
Ken Working, for wisdom and guidance for his falls and health for the family
Jan Tornquist, for continued strength after chemotherapy treatment
Bereavement, for the family and friends of Peggy Cochrane

In the name of our precious Lord Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Children's Sermon

[Click here for the video](#)

Annie Haugen

God's Word Read & Proclaimed

Scripture Reading

[1 Kings 19:19-21](#) (Read aloud)

Sermon

[The Next Right Thing](#)

Tom Haugen

(Click on link for Sermon)

Song of Response

Take My Life and Let It Be

[Click here for music & lyrics](#)

Tithes & Offerings

Follow this [link to give online](#). You can also mail or drop your tithes and offerings in the box outside the office doors.

Remember our tithes and offerings are a continued act of worship and a physical act of entrusting all of our lives to Jesus as we join God in his work in our community and around the world.

Doxology

[Click here for music & lyrics](#)

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.

Remembering our Common Union in Christ Together as One

As you know we celebrate the sacrament of Communion on the first Sunday of the month at ELMO. Sadly, during this time of social distancing we are unable to gather together in person to celebrate this meal of remembrance given to us by Jesus. While we understand that it is possible to take Communion alone in our homes, the ELMO Session and I have decided it is best to wait until we are gathered together in person to celebrate this sacred meal again.

This meal, according to Jesus, is a tangible way to remember his life, death and resurrection until he returns. As a way to remember during this season, we encourage you to affirm your Christian faith by reading the Apostle's Creed, praying the Lord's Prayer, and celebrating our common union together as one through Christ.

Affirmation of Faith by reading the Apostle's Creed

(Read in unison)

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.

The Lord's Prayer

(Pray in unison)

Our Father, who is 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.

Benediction

Romans 15:13 (Read in unison)

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen!

Congregational Meeting TODAY, June 7th at 11:00 am via Zoom

During this time of social distancing, God is with you!

And, we're here for you by phone or online. Please direct prayer requests to: elmoprayers@gmail.com

Office is closed, but voicemail will be checked.

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