

WORSHIP

Sunday, October 4, 2020

Scattered Together

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Matthew Roy

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

*Call to Worship

Psalm 145:1-9

Leader: I will exalt you. My God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

People: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

Leader: They tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds. They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

All: The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. All your works will praise you, LORD; your faithful people extol you.

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Hymn Of Praise

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

Matthew Roy

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.
2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.
3. He breaks the power of canceled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood availed for me.
4. Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.
5. My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro' all the earth abroad,
The honors of Thy name.

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Please go to our website or 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 trusting all of our lives to Jesus as we join God in his work in our community and around the world.

Prayer of Dedication for Our Tithes & Offerings

Jeffrey Smith

*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.

Affirmation of Faith Unison

The Apostle's 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

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

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

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed.

Refrain

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

3. The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

Refrain x 2

4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below,
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

Scripture

[Genesis 42-45](#)

Sermon

[Cup o' Joe, God's Providence and Promises, "Reunited"](#)

Tom Haugen

Hymn of Response

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Matthew & Jess Roy

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most—
I sacrifice them to His blood.

3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small:
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Confession of Sin Unison

from the Book of Common Worship

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 8:1-2, 11

Leader: Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life sets you free from the law of sin and death.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and transformed! Thanks be to God!

The Celebration of Communion

We will eat the bread and drink the cup together as we remember Christ's death and resurrection and our common union in Christ. Please go to the link received via email if you wish to participate via Zoom at 11:30 am Sunday.

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

*Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

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

Caring

Please take some time to pray specifically for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world. Direct Prayer Requests to elmoprayers@gmail.com.

Our Missionaries the Bultemas, Callisons, Mexico Mission Partners and Alex Smith.

Cathy Clemens, for recovery from knee replacement surgery.

Marilyn Nichols, for strength and better health to allow her to function safely on her own at home.

Dr. Curtis Whiteman and others in assisted living, for their spirits during isolation away from family.

Shelley Fogg, for recovery from her ACL and MCL knee surgery.

Jan Tornquist, praise that her cancer is in remission.

Lynette Johnson, for her continued cancer treatment plan.

Ann Marie King, for treatment of AFib and sleep apnea during these stressful times.

Bill Allmon, for his heart condition and Anita as caregiver.

George Smith, Jeffrey Smith's dad, for a grant to continue cancer treatment with a new pill.

Gordon Reisig, for a full recovery from surgery on his brain.

Ken Working, for health challenges for him and for the family caring for him.

Connecting & Serving

Sermon Series and Bible Study: Sundays through the month of October

Join us for “Cup o’ Joe” God’s Providence and Promises - Genesis 37-50. The Preaching schedule and weekly Bible reading can be found on our website or [Click Here](#).

Men’s Bible Study: Thursdays, 9:00 am in the Courtyard

You’re invited to join us on Thursdays for a study of the Gospel according to Matthew. Please bring your Bible, a cup of coffee and a mask.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Thursday October 15, 1:30 pm in the Courtyard

Many have been blessed by a beautifully hand knit or crocheted shawl/blanket that has been prayerfully made. If you are interested in joining this ministry please contact Marge Emerson at marge.emerson1@gmail.com or Anita Allmon at allmonanita@gmail.com.

Family Fun Friday: October 16, 6:30-8:30 pm Outdoor Movie Night in the Courtyard

All ages welcome! Back by popular demand and because we’re craving safe, socially distanced activities to enjoy together, ELMO is hosting another movie night. BYO snacks, chairs, and blankets. Invite a friend! The movie (TBD) begins at dusk.

Fall Festival for Middle & High School Students: Friday October 30, 6:00-8:00 pm in the Courtyard Games, Food, Pumpkin Carving & More! Bring a friend and wear a costume for a prize!

Women in the Word: “Rebounding Faith” a study of the Gospel of John

The Women in the Word Bible study will begin once it is safe to meet inside. We look forward to Breakfast, Worship Music, Small Friendship Groups, and Bible Teaching. The Gospel of John speaks to us, with great vigor, as we “Rebound in Christ and renew our spirit from within...together!” You matter to Him. For more information please contact Patty Wilson at 805-689-4496.

GriefShare: Mondays, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, from Sept.14th through Dec. 7th online

Montecito Covenant church, along with several facilitators from multiple churches are offering a grief support group to the community. In light of how Covid-19 has impacted our community, they are holding online sessions each Monday from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. GriefShare is a nondenominational support group that meets weekly. You are welcome to begin attending at any point. Each session is self-contained and it is not required to attend in sequence. Register by contacting Pam Beebe at 805-679-1501 or pbeebe@westmont.edu. For more information, please visit www.griefshare.org.

**During this time of social distancing, God is with you!
And, we’re here for you by phone or online.**

Office is closed, but voicemail will be checked.

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