

WORSHIP

Sunday, October 11, 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 98

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

People: The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music; make music to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn - shout for joy before the LORD, the King.

All: Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it. Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; let them sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Hymn Of Praise

Immortal, Invisible

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| 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious—Thy great name we praise. | 3. To all, life Thou givest—to both great and small,
In all life Thou livest—the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but naught changeth Thee. |
| 2. Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love. | 4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render—O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee! |

Confession of Sin Unison

Holy and gracious God, we confess that we dishonor you in our words, thoughts and deeds. Depending on our own strength, we stumble. Glorifying in our own righteousness, we reject you. Turning our faces from you, we desire the things of this world to satisfy us. We pray now, Lord, for you to forgive all of our many sins. Give us eyes that see your hand at work in all areas of our lives. Enable us to realize that every good thing comes from you. And deepen our gratitude so that we might serve you with undivided and joyful hearts. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

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

Kirk Gilbert

*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.

Prayers for the Church & the World

Kirk Gilbert

For those of you worshipping at home, please take some time to pray specifically for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

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| <p>1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word,
Just to rest upon His promise,
Just to know "Thus saith the Lord."</p> | <p>3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease,
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest and joy and peace.</p> |
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Refrain:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!

Refrain

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| <p>2. O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood,
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!</p> | <p>4. I'm so glad I learned to trust Him,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that He is with me,
Will be with me to the end.</p> |
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Refrain

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Scripture

[Genesis 46-47](#)

Sermon

[Cup o' Joe, God's Providence and Promises—Restored](#)

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

He Will Hold Me Fast

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| <p>1. When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.</p> | <p>Refrain:
He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.</p> |
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2. Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost;
His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

Refrain

He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.

3. For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight,
When He comes at last!

Refrain x2

He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.

***Benediction**

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.

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.

Praise for a successful ECO Ordination Retreat on our campus and for the new ECO Pastors in their ministry.

Marilyn Nichols, for strength and the ability to function safely at home on her own.

Cathy Clemens, for recovery from knee replacement surgery.

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 Tomquist, 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 for an expensive script for a chemo pill as his numbers go up.

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

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

Bereavement, for the family and friends of Carol (James) Betker.

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) will begin 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!

M-4 Turkey Drive 2020: Now through November 20th

Due to the pandemic, the M-4 Churches are asking for cash donations instead of turkeys and chickens this year. If you would like to donate to this annual cause, please make your check payable to our church and include “Turkey Drive” in the memo. Let’s see how much we can raise this year!

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.

Rev. Tom Haugen, Pastor

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