

WORSHIP

Thanksgiving Sunday, November 22, 2020 *Church in the Courtyard*

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 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

People: Know that the LORD is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to him and praise his name.

Leader: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever.

All: His faithfulness continues through all generations.

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

**Reflection of Praise *Praise to the Lord*

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| 1. Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration! | 3. Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and
mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee. |
| 2. Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings,
yes, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth? | 4. Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again:
Gladly for aye we adore Him. |

Confession of Sin Unison

Almighty and most merciful father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our frivolous attitude toward life, our callousness toward suffering, 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, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:4-7

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in our transgressions - it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

All: Thanks be to God!

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

Melia Haugen

Music of Reflection

**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

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

**Reflection of Preparation

Give Thanks

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| 1. Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son x2 | 3. Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son x2 |
| 2. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"
Let the poor say, "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us." | 4. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"
Let the poor say, "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us." |

Scripture

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Sermon

Thanksgiving Every Day

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

**Reflection of Response

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

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| 1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day. | 2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee. |
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3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother —
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the happy chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

***Benediction**

Dismissal by Rows

Postlude

* Stand if you are able.

** Due to Santa Barbara County restrictions singing is not permitted during outdoor gatherings.

Connecting & Serving

Sermon Series: Mountain Peaks of Promise: A Journey Through the Old Testament. This Advent season we're taking the 30,000-foot view of Scripture as we explore six of the Mountain Peaks of Promise in the Old Testament as they point us to the fulfillment of God's promises through Jesus Christ. Join us as we journey through God's unfolding promise plan of salvation to see the big picture of who God is and what he has done. Preaching Schedule at: <http://elmopres.org/sermons/>

Advent Devotional: To help your children build Christmas traditions around Jesus, we have a gift for you to take home. Due to popular demand, more will be available next week to pick in the Courtyard. [Prepare Him Room](#), by Marty Mackowski.

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

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

M-4 Thanksgiving Worship Gathering: Sunday, November 22nd, Cancelled

Santa Barbara Rescue Mission Clothing Giveaway: Now through December 14th

Due to COVID-19 this year we will not be collecting clothing at the church, however you can still participate in this wonderful outreach! For more details please contact SBRM at (805)966-1316 or go to their website: sbrm.org or pick up a flyer from the front table.

Santa Barbara Mission Conference: January 29 - 30, 2021 Online

The virtual conference takes place Friday evening, Jan. 29, and all-day Saturday, Jan. 30. Register by going online at sbmissionconference.org.

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

Montecito Covenant church, is hosting online sessions each Monday from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. GriefShare is a nondenominational support group that meets weekly. You may begin at any point. Register by contacting Pam Beebe at 805-679-1501 or pbeebe@westmont.edu. For more information, please visit www.griefshare.org.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services in the Courtyard: Dec. 24th, 4:00, 5:00 & 6:00 pm

Candlelight Lessons and Carols in the Courtyard will be held at three different times for your convenience. RSVPs available through our website soon.

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.
Monica Eiler, for recovery and pain relief from a back injury.
Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.
Shari Isaac, for recovery from hip replacement surgery.
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 for treatment of stomach issues and is in the hospital.
Jan Tornquist, praise that her cancer is in remission.
Lynette Johnson, for her continued cancer treatment plan.
Bill Allmon, for his heart condition and Anita as caregiver.
George Smith, Jeffrey Smith's dad, praise for receiving a grant for his prescription medication.
Gordon Reisig, for peace for him Darlene and the family while he is on hospice care at home.
Ken Working, for health challenges for him and for the family.

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

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