

WORSHIP

Communion Sunday, February 7, 2021

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

Alita Rhodes

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

***Call to Worship**

from Psalm 139

Leader: O LORD, you have searched us and you know us.

People: You know when we sit and when we rise; you perceive our thoughts from afar.

Leader: You discern our going out and our lying down; you are familiar with all of our ways.

People: Before a word is on our tongues you know it completely, O LORD.

Leader: For you created our inmost being; you knit us together in our mother's womb.

People: We praise you because we are fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, we know that full well.

Leader: Search us, O God, and know our hearts; test us and know our anxious thoughts.

All: See if there is any offensive way in us and lead us in the way everlasting.

***Hymn Of Praise**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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| 1. Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Thru all eternity. | 2. Crown Him the Lord of love:
Behold His hands and side—
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond'ring eye
At mysteries so bright. |
| 3. Crown Him the Lord of life:
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious to the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die. | 4. Crown Him the Lord of heav'n:
One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit thru Him giv'n
From yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise,
For Thou for us hast died;
Be Thou, O Lord, thru endless days
Adored and magnified. |

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

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

Nathan Gates

*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

What Wondrous Love is This

Suzy Dobreski

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul?
What wondrous love is this, O my soul?
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul?
2. When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.
4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

Scripture

Matthew 6:1-18

Sermon

Up There, Down Here – The Sermon on the Mount
"The Heart of the Matter"

Tom Haugen

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Confession of Sin Unison

Gracious Lord, we confess that we dishonor you in our words, thoughts and deeds. Depending on our 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; to cleanse the darkness from our lives, and to turn our faces and our hearts back towards you. We pray these things in the name of your most precious son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Hear and believe in the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

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. If you didn't receive an individual prepackaged communion kit, the kits are available at the table near the entrance to Church in the Courtyard.

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

*Hymn of Response

Christ our Hope in Life and Death

1. What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.
2. What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Refrain

Refrain:

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal;
O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.

3. Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy,
When Christ is ours forevermore.

Refrain x 2

*Benediction

Dismissal by rows

Postlude

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, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners.

Jim George, for recovery from pneumonia.

Monica Eiler, for recovery and pain relief from a back surgery.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.

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

Lynette Johnson, for her continued cancer treatment plan.

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

George Smith, Jeffrey Smith's dad, for peace and comfort during hospice care at home.

Gordon Reisig, for peace for him, Darlene and their family while he is on hospice care at home.

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

Bereavement, pray for the family and friends of Tom Smith, Marlene Sheehan, LouAnn Treloar and Faustino Martinez (one of our Mexico Mission Partners).

Connecting & Serving

Sermon Series: Up There, Down Here - Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5-7, Jan. 10 - Feb. 28, 2021

"The Sermon on the Mount is not a set of principles to be obeyed apart from identification with Jesus Christ. The Sermon on the Mount is a statement of the life we will live when the Holy Spirit is getting his way with us."

Oswald Chambers. In the greatest sermon ever preached, the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus teaches his followers what life looks like when heaven and earth come together, when up there comes down here. There is a reason Jesus taught us to pray, "Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." This winter let's dive into the best known but least understood part of the teachings of Jesus as we explore what up there, down here looks like at El Montecito Presbyterian Church.

New Email Schedule and Format: 2021

A new format of ELMO emails are going out on Wednesday of each week. If you have not received an email in the last few weeks, please check your *Spam* or *Promotions* folder. If you would like to receive our emails, please contact Maryann at admin@elmopres.org to get added to the list, you can unsubscribe at any time.

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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