

WORSHIP

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. **Matthew 28:6**

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Matthew Roy

Welcome to Our Life Together Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

***Call to Worship** 1 Corinthians 15:54-57

Leader: Death has been swallowed up in victory.

People: Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

Leader: The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

People: But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: Hallelujah, Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed, Hallelujah!

***Hymn Of Praise** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* Jess Roy

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| 1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia! | 3. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia! |
| 2. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia! | 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia! |

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

To give, there are baskets near the entrance to the Courtyard, you can also mail or drop your tithes and offerings in the box outside the office doors or follow [this link to give online](#). This year, our Easter Offering will assist Cleveland School as part of our Love Local Outreach. Please note this on your check or use an Easter offering envelope. 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 Lauri Haugen (8:00 AM)
Nathan Gates (10:00 AM)

***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.

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.

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.

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.

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**

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

2 Timothy 1:8-14

Sermon

"Been There, Done That"

Tom Haugen

*Hymn of Response

King of Kings

1. In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope, without light,
'Til from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes.
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the word,
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt.

3. And the morning that You rose
All of Heaven held its breath,
'Til that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death.
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe,
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored.

Refrain: Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, Three in One;
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings!

4. And the church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame;
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel, shall not faint.
By His blood and in His name,
In His freedom I am free,
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me. **Refrain**

2. To reveal the kingdom coming,
And to reconcile the lost,
To redeem the whole creation,
You did not despise the cross.
For even in your suffering
You saw to the other side,
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake you died. **Refrain**

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Confession of Sin Unison

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. Cleanse me with hyssop and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Peter 1:3-4

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.

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.

*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.

Betsy Knight, for recovery from pneumonia and procedures for her heart.

Emily Sommermann, praise for regained strength from her arm injury.

Monica Eiler, praise for successful back surgery.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.

Lynette Johnson, for her continued cancer treatment plan.

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

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 Stan Ekstrand.

Connecting & Serving

Back to Basics: Returning Discipleship to the Church, Wednesdays 7:00 PM, April 7-28

Join us for a discipleship class hosted by ECO's Synod Executive, Dr. Dana Allin. To help create a clear and replicable discipleship plan for our lives and the church, we'll apply principles from Dana's book, *Simple Discipleship: Grow Your Faith Transform Your Community*.

The class will be on Zoom from 7-8:00 PM on Wednesdays for four weeks beginning on April 7th. There will be an additional hour of work between sessions to focus on a personal discipleship plan. To register for this class, please email Maryann Spradley at admin@elmopres.org. The class schedule is on our website.

Women's Bible Study: Mondays, 9:00 AM starting April 12th

Join us for an 8 week Bible study on *Hope, Your Heart's Deepest Longings* on Monday, April 12th at 9:00 AM. God's Word speaks into our life with HOPE that uplifts, undergirds and surprises us in places He alone understands. This Bible Class is an opportunity to reset and revive your soul and learn from God's word. Register by emailing Maryann Spradley at admin@elmopres.org or register the morning of April 12th.

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 your mask.

Easter Offering: Cleveland School Outreach Project

In our desire to *Love Local* by serving our community in Jesus' name, our Easter Offering will help Cleveland Elementary School provide educational tools and equipment to assist students during this very challenging Covid-19 pandemic. If you would like to support The Easter Offering please note this on your check, in the memo, or use an Easter offering envelope.

Welcome to El Montecito

Welcome visitors! We are glad you chose to worship with us today in the Courtyard. Please fill out the Visitor Card that can be found at the entrance so that we can get to know you better and to receive our weekly emails. You can also connect with us on our website at: elmopres.org or on Instagram @elmopres.

**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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Kirk Gilbert, Worship & Prayer

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Carl Perry, Finance & Property

Mary Slater, Human Resources

Jeffrey Smith, Children & Youth Ministries

Deacons

Betty Delk, Co-Moderator

Jeff Delk, Co-Moderator

Bob Aguirre, At-Large

Sandy Aguirre, Friendship Visitation

Anita Allmon

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Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifts

Melissa Hillegas, Hospital Visitation

Pam Jepson, Care Notes

Paul Jepson, Early School Committee

Nancy Johnke, Coffee Fellowship

Martha Kay, Chancel Flowers & Distribution