

WORSHIP

Sunday May 16, 2021

So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child,
God has made you also an heir. **Galatians 4:7**

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**

Psalm 111

Leader: Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

People: Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

Leader: He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and compassionate. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

People: He has shown his people the power of his works, giving them the lands of other nations. The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

Leader: They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness. He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever—holy and awesome is his name.

All: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

***Hymn Of Praise**

Holy, Holy, Holy

Deborah Bertling

1. Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons,
Blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy!
All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee,
Which wert and art
And evermore shalt be.

3. Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy—
There is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r,
In love and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons,
Blessed Trinity!

Confession of Sin Unison

God of love, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections continually turn away from you: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fullness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your holy Word, and make your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your loving Son, Jesus, so that we may shine before the world to your glory. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

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](#). 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

Wes Haystead

Music of Reflection

You Set Me Free

***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

***Hymn of Preparation**

Come Thou Fount

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| <p>1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise His name, I'm fixed upon it,
Name of God's redeeming love.</p> | <p>2. Hitherto Thy love has blest me;
Thou hast bro't me to this place;
And I know Thy hand will bring me
Safely home by Thy good grace.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Bought me with His precious blood.</p> |
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3. O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it;
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Scripture

Galatians 4:1-31

Sermon

Always an Adventure – “Children of God”

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

In Christ Alone

1. In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My comforter, my all in all—
Here in the love of Christ I stand.
2. In Christ alone who took on flesh:
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save;
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid—
Here in the death of Christ I live.
3. There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me:
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

*Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

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

Connecting & Serving

Faith Milestone: Growing in God's Word: Sunday May 16th & 23rd

All kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade students will have an opportunity to learn Bible tools to enjoy daily time in God's Word. Classes will be held during the second half of the worship hour (10:20-11:00 AM). During the offertory, meet Lauri at the Courtyard entrance to walk together to the outside classroom. Please pick up your child on the playground. On June 6th, we'll have a special presentation at Church in the Courtyard to gift each child a Bible for their lifelong journey of abiding in God's Word. Questions? laurihaugen@elmopres.org

Women's Bible Study: Mondays, 9:00 AM

Join us for a Bible study on *Hope, Your Heart's Deepest Longings* Mondays until June 7. God's Word speaks into our lives with HOPE that uplifts, undergirds and surprises us in places that He alone understands. This Bible Class is an opportunity to reset and revive your soul and enjoy God's Word. Bring your Bible and a mask, study guides are available for \$10.

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.

Connect with our Missionaries:

Send a note of encouragement and support to our Missionaries: Greg & Chris Callison: gregandchris@callison.net; James & Renata Bultema: jamesbultema@spccturkey.com, renatabultema@spccturkey.com; Alex Smith: alex.smith@e3partners.org

Caring

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

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

Praise for the birth of Skylar Grace Dohm, May 13th to Paul and Tessa.

Ruth Perry, for healing and strength.

Betsy Knight, praise for her recovery move back home.

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 the family while he is on hospice care at home.

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

Bereavement for the Smith family in the passing of Jeffrey's mother, Marty Smith.

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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Mary Slater, Human Resources

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