

WORSHIP

Sunday, July 11, 2021

Church in the Courtyard

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty! My soul yearns, even faints for the courts of the Lord,
my heart and flesh cry out for the living God. **Psalm 84:1-2**

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Matthew Roy

Welcome to Our Life Together

Kirk Gilbert

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

***Call to Worship**

from Psalm 84

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD Almighty!

People: My soul yearns, even faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

Leader: Even a sparrow has found a home and the swallow a nest for herself - where she may have her young - a place near your altar.

People: O LORD Almighty, my King and my God, blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

Leader: Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in tents of the wicked.

All: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. O LORD Almighty, blessed is the man who trusts in you.

***Hymn Of Praise**

O Worship the King

Deborah Bertling

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| 1. O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise. | 3. Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain. |
| 2. O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space!
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds
form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm. | 4. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail:
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend. |

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 silently 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.

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

Rick Fogg

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

*Hymn of Preparation

Better is One Day

1. How lovely is Your dwelling place,
O Lord Almighty,
For my soul longs and even faints for You.
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence.
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Refrain: Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere. x2

2. One thing I ask and I would seek: To see Your beauty,
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.
One thing I ask and I would seek: To see Your beauty,
To find You in the place Your glory dwells. [Refrain]

My heart and flesh cry out
For You, the Living God,
Your Spirit's water to my soul.
I've tasted and I've seen,
Come once again to me.
I will draw near to You,
I will draw near to You, to You.

Better is one day, better is one day,
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere. x2
[Refrain x2]

Scripture

Psalm 84

¹How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty! ²My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. ³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young—a place near your altar, Lord Almighty, my King and my God. ⁴Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you. ⁵Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage. ⁶As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. ⁷They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion. ⁸Hear my prayer, Lord God Almighty; listen to me, God of Jacob. ⁹Look on our shield, O God; look with favor on your anointed one. ¹⁰Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. ¹¹For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. ¹²Lord Almighty, blessed is the one who trusts in you.

Sermon

The Fulfillment of All Desire, Part 4

Ben Patterson

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Cornerstone

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly trust in Jesus' name.

2. When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In ev'ry high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]

Refrain:

Christ alone, Cornerstone,
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm, He is Lord,
Lord of all.

3. When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone.
Faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]

*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 at: elmopres.org or on Instagram @elmopres or subscribe to our YouTube channel: El Montecito Presbyterian Church.

ELMO Pres Kids & Youth! Childcare available for ages 0-5 during worship. Drop off: outside Early School before worship. Pick up: playground after worship. Nursery care (birth to 1.5 years) will remain in the Early School outside space. Our elementary kids and youth are invited to Church in the Courtyard this summer. Pick up a Bible Activity Pack on your way in to worship.

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, Ostbys, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners.

Ruth Perry for healing and strength.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.

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 for the family and friends of Lynette Johnson and Jeanne Thayer.

A celebration of Lynette's life will be held at El Montecito Presbyterian, Saturday, July 24th at 11:00 am.

Connecting & Serving

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, and we provide the coffee.

Outdoor Movie Night: Friday, July 16th, 7:30 PM in the Courtyard

All are welcome to attend an Outdoor Movie Night featuring Disney's *Moana*. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets.

Worship Team: Sunday mornings

The worship team is looking for *vocalists* to sing hymns and praise songs on Sunday mornings & Praise Band Members to fill out our Church in the Courtyard instruments, including: *guitarists, keyboardists and percussionists*. If you are interested, contact Matthew Roy at: music@elmopres.org

Kitchen Ministry: Times TBD

We are looking for volunteers to help manage our kitchen. This ministry includes those who love to be in the kitchen, have the gift of hospitality, enjoy preparing & serving food and a knack for keeping things neat and organized. If this sounds like you, please contact the church office or email: admin@elmopres.org

Connect with our Missionaries

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

God is with you! And, we're here for you by phone or online.

Office hours, Monday—Thursday, 9 AM to 2 PM

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Mary Slater, Human Resources

Jeffrey Smith, Children & Youth Ministries

Deacons

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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