

WORSHIP

Sunday, August 22, 2021

Church in the Courtyard

Put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. **Psalm 130:7**

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.

People: Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them.

Leader: Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

People: 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 covenants forever.

Leader: The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

People: They are steadfast for ever and ever, done in faithfulness and uprightness.

Leader: 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

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Geoff Carter

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.

2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

3. He breaks the power of canceled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood availed for me.

4. Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, he dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

Confession of Sin Unison

God of love, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbors 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 fulness 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

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Pastor: 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**

And Can It Be?

1. And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God shouldst die for me?

Refrain:

Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God shouldst die for me?

2. He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race!
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
For, O my God, it found out me.

Refrain

3. Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night.
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray:
I woke — the dungeon flamed with light!
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

Refrain

Scripture

Matthew 22:1-14

Sermon

“Picnic Banquet”

Tom Haugen

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.

Refrain:

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

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

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.

Carol Gillis, for a speedy recovery from a fall.

Judy Cooper-Ashford, for recovery from knee surgery.

Mary Stillman, for healing from health issues.

Ruth Perry for healing, strength and adjusting to her new home in San Diego.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.

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 or the family and friends of Bruce Emmeluth.

Connecting & Serving

Congregational Meeting Today, immediately following worship in the Courtyard

The Session calls for a Congregational Meeting of all Covenant Partners to elect Elders and Deacons and review church financials immediately after the 10:00 AM worship gathering.

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.

Connect with our Missionaries

Please continue sending your notes 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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