

WORSHIP

Sunday, September 26, 2021



Church in the Courtyard

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. James 1:2-3

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

Question: How many persons are there in God?

Answer: There are three persons in one God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

***Call to Worship**

Isaiah 43:1-5

Leader: But now, this is what the LORD says—he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel:
“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

People: When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

Leader: For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life.

All: Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west.

***Hymn of Praise**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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| 1. All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all! | 3. Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all! |
| 2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all! | 4. O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all! |

Confession of Sin Unison

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offences against you. You alone know how often we sin in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, Lord God, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done against you. Forgive our sins, and help us to walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Colossians 1:19-22

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

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

Kirk Gilbert

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.

Children Kindergarten—5th grade dismissed for Sunday School

Prayers for the Church & the World

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

***Hymn of Preparation**

Lord, I Need You

1. Lord, I come, I confess,
Bowling here I find my rest.
And without You I fall apart,
You're the One that guides my heart.

Chorus:

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.
Ev'ry hour I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness,
Oh God, how I need You.

2. Where sin runs deep Your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where You are.
And where you are, Lord, I am free;
Holiness is Christ in me.
Yes where you are, Lord, I am free;
Holiness is Christ in me. **Chorus**

3. Teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You.
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You.
Jesus, You're my hope and stay. **Chorus**

Scripture

Daniel 3

Sermon

“Standing Up When the Heat is On”

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2. "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand."
3. "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine."
4. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foe;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!"

*Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are so glad you chose to worship with us today in the courtyard or online. Please fill out a Visitor Card or email us at admin@elmopres.org so that we can get to know you better and send you our weekly email. 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!

Sunday School for nursery age - grade 5 during the worship gathering. Please check-in at the courtyard entrance.

Middle School after worship from 11:00 to 11:30 AM, lower patio. Mark your calendar for Friday, October 1st, from 6:30-8:00 PM in the Courtyard for our first MS Youth Group. Games, snacks, Bible study, and fun! Bring a friend!

High School Lunch & Bible Study after worship from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM, meet at the courtyard entrance.

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.

Women in the Word Bible Study, Mondays beginning October 4th, 9:30 to 11:15 AM in the Parish Hall
"Because we Believe!" is an in-depth study and lecture of the Book of John. Sign up at the table near the entrance to the courtyard or contact Patty Wilson: pattywjoy@gmail.com. Masks are required while indoors.

Second Sunday, October 10th in the Courtyard after Worship
Food, friends, fun and faith. Lunch is provided. All are welcome!

Connect with our Ministry Partners Please continue praying for and sending your notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners. Greg and Chris Callison: gregandchris@callison.net;
James and Renata Bultema: jamesbultema@spccturkey.com, renatabultema@spccturkey.com and
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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 Ministry Partners the Bultemas, Callisons, Ostbys, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners.
Judy Cooper Ashford, for her surgery on Monday morning and recovery.
Mary Stillman for treatment of a rare form of cancer and wisdom for her doctors in Houston, TX.
Jenna Thompson for complications with her pregnancy and Melissa Toth, for recovery from surgery.
Janet Gates as she recovers from surgery.
Bereavement for the family and friends of Dorthea (Dokey) Dunlap.
Carol Gillis, for a speedy recovery from a fall.
Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.
Ann Marie King, continued treatment of AFib.
Gordon Reising, 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.

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

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

Rev. Tom Haugen, Pastor

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Martha Kay, Chancel Flowers & Distribution

Barbara Kennedy, Secretary & Treasurer

**Thank you Suzy Dobreski for 14 years of faithful service as
the ELMO Early School Director!**

You will be missed!