

# WORSHIP

Sunday, November 21, 2021



*Church in the Courtyard*

*Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

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## 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: What does God require in the sixth, seventh and eighth commandments?*

*Answer: Sixth, that we do not hurt or hate our neighbor. Seventh, that we live purely and faithfully.*

*Eighth, that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else.*

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**People: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.**

Leader: In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

**All: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Now Thank We All Our God*

1. Now thank we all our God  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom His world rejoices;  
Who, from our mother's arms,  
Hath blest us on our way  
With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God  
Thro' all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in His grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heav'n adore;  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore.

**Baptism of Ivanna Herrera**

Parents: Viridiana and David Herrera

## Confession of Sin Unison

Gracious Father, this season of thanksgiving, reminds us of the truth that every good and perfect gift comes from You. We admit that even in our moment of gratitude, we fall short. We feel thankful for the gifts without acknowledging the Giver. We praise the beautiful creation around us without drawing close to the Creator. We sing about our salvation without glorifying our Savior. Forgive us. Remind us that any good we experience is a glimpse of your character. That any blessing is a foretaste of what you have in store for those who put their hope in you. And even our lives, the very breath in our lungs, is only there because of your deep love for us. God, reveal yourself to us in every good gift, and give us eyes to see you in them.

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

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Psalm 103:11-12

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

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

Rob Hale

## Music of Reflection

*Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit*

Choir

## \*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

*God Moves in a Mysterious Way*

1. God moves in a mys - te - rious way His won - ders to per - form; He  
2. Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take! The clouds ye so much dread Are  
3. His pur - pos - es will ri - pen fast, un - fold - ing eve - ry hour, The

plants His foot - steps in the sea and rides up - on the storm! Deep  
big with mer - cy and shall break in bless - ings on Your head! Judge  
bud may have a bit - ter taste, but sweet will be the flow'r! Blind

in un - fath - om - a - ble mines of nev - er fail - ing skill, He  
not the Lord by fee - ble sense, but trust Him for His grace; Be -  
un - be - lief is sure to err and scan His work in vain; God

treas - ures up His bright de - signs and works His sov - 'reign will.  
hind a frown - ing prov - i - dence He hides a smil - ing face.  
is His own in - ter - pret - er, and He will make it plain.

God of mer - cy! God of grace! Give us eyes to see!  
Eyes to see Your smil - ing face with - in the mys - ter - y, with - in the mys - ter - y.

## GOING IN GOD'S NAME

### \*Hymn of Response

*Be Thou My Vision*

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| <p>1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;<br/>Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—<br/>Thou my best thought, by day or by night,<br/>Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.</p> | <p>3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,<br/>Thou mine inheritance, now and always;<br/>Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,<br/>High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.</p> |
| <p>2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;<br/>I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;<br/>Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,<br/>Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.</p>        | <p>4. High King of heaven, my victory won,<br/>May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!<br/>Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,<br/>Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.</p>  |

### \*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](mailto:admin@elmopres.org) so 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](http://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. MS Youth Group is on the 1st and 3rd Friday Night of the month from 6:30-8:30 PM on the lower patio. Games, snacks, Bible study and fun! Bring a friend!

**High School** lunch & Bible Study after worship from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Meet at the courtyard entrance. SBHS Young Life meets on the lower patio on Mondays from 7:30-9:00 PM.

### 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](mailto:prayers@elmopres.org).

- Our Ministry Partners the Bultemas, Callisons, Ostbys, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners.
- Bereavement for Judith, family and friends of Byron Ishkanian. Patricia, family and friends of Carl Perry.
- Linda Allan, for recovery from surgery.
- Gordon Smith, for valve replacement heart surgery on November 29th.
- Ann Marie King, for possible new treatment of her Afib and better guidance from doctors.
- Judy Cooper Ashford, for recovery from knee replacement surgery.
- 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.
- Carol Gillis, for a speedy recovery from a fall.
- Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.
- 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.

## Connecting & Serving

### **M-4 Turkey Drive, TODAY, November 21st**

It's time for the Turkey Drive benefiting the food bank of Santa Barbara. Our goal is to donate 500 Turkeys/Chickens and we need your help! Please deliver your frozen poultry to the Parish Hall on Sunday, November 21st by 1:00 PM.

### **Community Caroling Outing: Sunday, December 5th after Worship**

Come "join the chorus" as we celebrate Christmas by caroling for people in the ELMO Family. All are welcome! We'll meet after the worship gathering to receive a packet of Christmas carols, warm up our voices with Matthew Roy, and join a group to carol for some of the homebound in our congregation. For questions, reach out to Matthew at [music@elmopres.org](mailto:music@elmopres.org).

### **Christmas in Narnia, Saturday, December 11th, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Courtyard**

Imagine our courtyard transformed into a winter wonderland where the courtyard arch becomes a wardrobe and an interactive program connects C.S. Lewis' magical story, The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, to the wonder of the gospel. We need your skill and creativity. If you are interested in helping, please email Lauri Haugen.

### **Clothing Drive for Santa Barbara Rescue Mission, now through December 17th**

We are collecting new Men's and Women's clothing for the Christmas Giveaway at the Rescue Mission. For more information pick up a flyer or contact Pamela Gilbert.

### **Operation Christmas Child, Thank you!**

A total of 53 Shoeboxes were collected by ELMO this year. Thank you to everyone who participated in this ministry to children around the world.

### **Santa Barbara Mission Conference, January 28-29, 2022**

Registration is open for the 20th annual Santa Barbara Mission Conference, "Called to Reconcile". Register by going online at [sbmissionconference.org](http://sbmissionconference.org) or by downloading the form from the website.

### **Women in the Word Bible Study, Mondays 9:30 to 11:15 AM in the Parish Hall**

"Because we Believe!" For more information contact Patty Wilson: [pattyjoy@gmail.com](mailto:pattyjoy@gmail.com). Masks are required.

### **Women's Bible Study: Thursdays 7:45 - 9:00 AM at IHOP**

Please join us at IHOP, 1701 State Street.

### **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, coffee is provided.

### **Connect with our Ministry Partners**

Please continue sending notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners:

Greg and Chris Callison: [gregandchris@callison.net](mailto:gregandchris@callison.net); James and Renata Bultema: [jamesbultema@spccturkey.com](mailto:jamesbultema@spccturkey.com), [renatabultema@spccturkey.com](mailto:renatabultema@spccturkey.com) and Alex Smith: [alex.smith@e3partners.org](mailto:alex.smith@e3partners.org)

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

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

*Rev. Tom Haugen, Pastor*

*Rev. Lauri Haugen, Asst. Pastor to Families*

*Brad Catron, Facilities Manager*

*Meika McCrindle, Early School Interim Director*

*Dr. Matthew Roy, Music Director*

*Maryann Spradley, Office Administrator*

*Michele Sullivan, Accountant*

*The Entire Congregation, Ministers of the Gospel*

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#### **Elders**

*Tom Haugen, Moderator*

*Janet Gates, Clerk of Session*

*Shelley Fogg, Children's Ministries*

*Terry Foil, Early School*

*Nathan Gates, Outreach*

*Kirk Gilbert, Worship & Prayer*

*Susan Hughes, Congregational Life*

*Ginger Ketzler, Nominating*

*Finance & Property*

*Mary Slater, Human Resources*

*Jeffrey Smith, Youth Ministries*

#### **Deacons**

*Betty Delk, Co-Moderator*

*Jeff Delk, Co-Moderator*

*Sandy Aguirre, Friendship Visitation*

*Anita Allmon*

*Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifts*

*Chase Enright, Greeters*

*Melissa Hillegas, Hospital Visitation*

*Pam Jepson, Care Notes*

*Paul Jepson*

*Nancy Johnke, Coffee Fellowship*

*Martha Kay, Chancel Flowers & Distribution*

*Barbara Kennedy, Secretary & Treasurer*