

WORSHIP

Sunday, January 23, 2022



Church in the Courtyard

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits. Proverbs 18:21

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: Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?

Answer: No, God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them both in this life, and in the life to come.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 145

Leader: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

People: Everyday I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

Leader: One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.

People: They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works. They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and

I will proclaim your great deeds. They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

Leader: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving toward all he has made.

All: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them. The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

***Hymn of Praise**

Give to God Our Immortal Praise

1. Give to our God immortal praise;
Mercy and truth are all His ways:
Wonders of grace to God belong;
Repeat his mercies in your song.

3. He sent his Son with pow'r to save
From guilt and darkness and the grave:
Wonders of grace to God belong;
Repeat his mercies in your song.

2. He built the earth, He spread the sky,
And fixed the starry lights on high:
Wonders of grace to God belong;
Repeat his mercies in your song.

4. Through this vain world He guides our feet,
And leads us to His heav'nly seat:
His mercies ever shall endure,
When this vain world shall be no more.

Confession of Sin Unison

O most holy God, we confess today how difficult it is to tame our tongues. Your Word tells us that the tongue is a fire and we know that it's true. We say things we should not say: words that tear down instead of build up; phrases that divide rather than unite. We remain silent when we should speak and we speak when we should be listening. Our mouths can sing your praise, but too often we speak in ways that deny any faith in you at all. We confess that we are people of unclean lips and unclean hearts. Restore unto us this day, the joy of our salvation. Speak to us words of hope, words of healing and enter into our lives anew. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 10:9-10

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

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, scan the QR code or follow [the online link](#). 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

Janet Gates

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

Speak, O Lord

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the Light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.
2. Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.
3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Scripture

James 3

Sermon

Real Faith, Real Life "A Faith that Speaks"

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Living Hope

1. How great the cha - sm that lay be - tween us, How high the moun - tain I could not climb. In des per - a - tion I turned to
 2. Who could i - mag - ine so great a mer - cy? What heart could fath - om such bound - less grace? The God of a - ges stepped down from
 heav - en and spoke Your name in - to the night. Then through the dark - ness Your lov - ing - kind - ness Tore through the
 glo - ry to wear my sin and bear my shame. The cross has spo - ken, I am for - giv - en. The King of
 shad - ows of my soul. The work is fin - ished, the end is writ - ten: Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing
 Kings calls me His own. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, I'm Yours for - ev - er. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing
Chorus
 hope. Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the One who set me free! Hal - le - lu - jah! Death has lost its grip on me. You have
 hope.
 bro - ken ev - 'ry chain, there's sal - va - tion in Your name: Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing hope!
 3. Then came the morn - ing that sealed the pro - mise. Your bur - ied bo - dy be - gan to breathe. Out of the
 si lence, the roar - ing Li - on de clared the grave has no claim on me. Then came the me. Je - sus, Yours is the vic - to - ry.
To Chorus

*Benediction

Postlude

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you chose to worship with us today in the courtyard or online. Please fill out a Visitor Card that can be found at the entrance or email us at 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 or on Instagram @elmopres or subscribe to our YouTube channel: El Montecito Presbyterian Church.

Sermon Series: James - Real Faith, Real Life. James gives us a vivid and practical look at real Christian faith and real life. Authored by the half-brother of Jesus, and the leader of the early Jerusalem Church, James provides rich insight on a great number of issues including persecution, relationships, finances, faith and works. In all of these things, James gives us a renewed sense of the depth of our sinfulness and the sufficiency of Jesus. Join us over the next weeks as we begin the new year discovering what it looks like to put real faith into action in real life as we grow in our love for God and one another.

ELMO Pres Kids & Youth!

Sunday School for nursery age - grade 5 during the worship gathering. Please check-in at the courtyard entrance. Elementary age children remain in worship until dismissed for ELMO Pres Kids Sunday school.

Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 6:30-8:30 on the lower patio at ELMO Pres. Games, pizza, Bible study and fun! Bring a friend!

High School after worship from 11:30 to 12:30 on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month. Meet at the Courtyard entrance and bring \$ for lunch at a local outside restaurant.

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, Warners, Alex Smith and Mexico Mission Partners. Bereavement for Miji Working, family and friends of Rev. Ken Working, memorial on Feb. 12 at 11:00 am. Gordon Smith, for recovery from a fall and fluid on his lungs. Pamela Arneson, for peace and healing while in a nursing care facility. Ann Marie King, for her unstable heart condition, recent visit to the ER and wisdom for the doctors help. Linda Allan, for recovery and healing while in a nursing care facility. Mary Stillman for treatment of a rare form of cancer and wisdom for her doctors in Houston, TX. Carol Gillis, for continued recovery from a fall. Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery.

Connecting & Serving

Santa Barbara Mission Conference, January 28-29, 2022

Counting down to the 20th annual Santa Barbara Mission Conference, "Called to Reconcile". You can still register by going online at 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

Will resume on Monday, January 24th. For more information contact Patty Wilson: pattyjoy@gmail.com. Masks are required while indoors.

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

Please join us at IHOP, 1701 State Street.

Men's Bible Study: Thursday 9:00 AM in the Courtyard

You're invited to join us in a study of the Book of Hebrews. Please bring your Bible, a mask and coffee is provided.

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Connect with our Ministry Partners

Please continue sending notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners:

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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

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Susan Hughes, Congregational Life

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Finance & Property

Mary Slater, Human Resources

Jeffrey Smith, Youth Ministries

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Sandy Aguirre, Friendship Visitation

Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifts

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