



Easter



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Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:25-26

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

David Talbott
& Deborah Bertling

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship

from 1 Peter 1:3-5

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Leader: God has claimed us as his own.

People: He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

* Please stand if you are able.

1. Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!
2. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!
3. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Confession of Sin Unison

based on Luke 24 and Acts 3

After Jesus was raised from the dead, he appeared to the disciples. He opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." Therefore, repent, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Corinthians 15:54-57

"Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Our offering is an act of worship in which we express our gratitude and reliance on God. If you wish to give to the Outreach Ministry Emergency fund, please designate on your gift. For those of you who are guests with us today, giving is not obligatory. We are eager to share with you more about our church and its ministries and to invite you to participate with us as you are called by God. If you have filled out a visitor's card, please place it in the offering plate.

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 1st - 6th grade are dismissed to Sunday School.

Prayers for the Church and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation

In Christ Alone

1. In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
Here in the love of Christ I stand.
2. In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—
Here in the death of Christ I live.
3. There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death—
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Scripture

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Sermon

"Easter Essentials"

Tom Haugen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn of Response

Thine Is the Glory

No. 227

1. Thine is the glory, Risen conqu'ring Son:
Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory, Risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

2. Lo! Jesus meets us, Risen from the tomb;
Lovingly He greets us, Scatters fear and gloom;
Let His church with gladness Hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting. [Refrain]
3. No more we doubt Thee, Glorious Prince of Life!
Life is naught without Thee; Aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conqu'rors, Through Thy deathless love;
Bring us safe through Jordan With Thy power and love.
[Refrain]

*Benediction

Postlude



Sermon Notes:

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you are worshipping with us today. **Please fill out a Visitor Card** or email us at admin@elmopres.org so we can get to know you better and send you our weekly newsletter. 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

ELMO Pres Kids Programs: 9:00 a.m. Upper Elementary, 4th-6th grade, Office Conference Room (upstairs); Lower Elementary, 1st-3rd grade, Fellowship Hall; Nursery-kinder (age 0-6) Early School nursery/preschool rooms. **10:00 a.m.** Nursery-kinder in the Early School nursery/preschool rooms. Elementary age children remain in worship. **Pick up a worship activity guide** on your way into the sanctuary.

Middle School (5th—8th) Friday Nights at ELMO Pres 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month from 6:30—8:30 p.m. Pizza! Games! Bible! Fun!

High School Bible Study: Friday mornings from 7:15—8:10 a.m. at Dune Coffee on Anacapa. **Sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter** for more information on events, discipleship and service opportunities for youth, children and families email: LauriHaugen@elmopres.org.

Caring

Please take some time to pray specifically for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world. Email your prayer requests to prayers@elmopres.org.

Our Ministry Partners the Bultemas, Callisons, Ostbys, Warners, Vivancos. Mayu Luz Gullien Villanueva, Everetts at Rancho Sordo Mundo and Pastor Noe Perez Gomez at Iglesia Cristo es el Camino, SB Rescue Mission, Transition House and Network Medical Women's Center of SB.

Jon Wentzel and James Wentzel, both serving in the Air Force as Lt. Cols. and F-16 pilots, sons of Bob and Nancy Phinney. Jack Burrows, the grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick, currently serving in the Army's 101st Airborne "Screaming Eagles" Division.

Bereavement for the friends and family of Pete Tornquist.

Fran Lambeth, for recovery from back surgery.

Bill and Dolores Gowler, for their home repairs and Bill's health treatment decisions.

Ann Marie King, for her unstable heart condition and wisdom from her doctors.

Curtis Whiteman for continued recovery and son Shawn for health issues to be resolved.

The people of Ukraine, the Covenant Presbyterian School and church family in Nashville.

Connecting & Serving

Adult Discipleship, Sundays at 9:00 a.m. (no meeting on Easter)

Join us in a small group study in the Library or Fireside Room as we study 1 & 2 Peter.

College Easter Brunch 11:30 a.m. TODAY!

Join us in the Haugen's backyard, just behind the church.

Women in the Word, Mondays at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall

"Pursuing Joy" includes the books of Philippians, Galatians and Ephesians. Enjoy a time of fellowship, group discussion and teaching by Patty Wilson.

Women's Bible Study, Thursdays 7:45 - 9:00 a.m. at IHOP

Currently studying the book of Daniel with Tremper Longman.

Men's Bible Study, Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Library

You're invited to join us in a study of the Book of John. Bring your Bible, coffee is provided.

Connect with our Ministry Partners

Please continue sending notes of encouragement to our Ministry Partners:

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Acts 1:8 Connection: Mexico Mission Partners

- Praise that we now have a safe and IRS approved way to transfer support funds to Pastor Noe Perez in Canon Buena Vista.
- Praise that Rancho Sordo Mundo has successfully transitioned from a boarding school for Deaf children into a training and support system for other organizations working with the unhearing population, thereby reaching many more people than was previously possible.
- Pray that the campground, Airbnb rooms and conference facilities at Rancho Sordo Mundo have a strong booking throughout the year so they can continue to support the many other organizations working with Deaf people.
- Pray for the strength and stamina of the staff at Rancho Sordo Mundo, especially Luke and Eddie Everett as they approach retirement age and the passing on of the work to the third generation of Everetts.

Following Jesus we Love, Connect, Care and Serve.

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

Rev. Dr. Tom Haugen, Pastor

Rev. Lauri Haugen, Asst. Pastor to Families

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Susan Hughes, Congregational Life

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Jeff Delk, Co-Moderator

Kersten Barr

Cathy Clemens, Holiday Gifting

Judy Cooper-Ashford

Chase Enright, Greeters

Melissa Hillegas, Hospital Visitation

Pam Jepson, Care Notes

Paul Jepson

Brian Johnson, Memorials

Martha Kay, Chancel Flower Distribution

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