

WORSHIP

El Montecito
Presbyterian Church



Sunday, June 25, 2023

"Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to." Luke 13:24

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

David Talbott

Welcome to Our Life Together

Jeffrey Smith

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

*Call to Worship

Psalm 33

Leader: Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

People: For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

Leader: Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

People: Fear the LORD, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days, keep your tongue from weevil and your lips from telling lies. Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it. The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears attentive to their cry.

Leader: The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all.

All: He protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken. Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned. The LORD will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

* Please stand if you are able.

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| <p>1. Sing praise to God who reigns above,
The God of all creation,
The God of pow'r, the God of love,
The God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul He fills,
And ev'ry faithless murmur stills;
To God all praise and glory!</p> <p>2. What God's almighty pow'r hath made,
His gracious mercy keepeth,
By morning glow or evening shade
His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of His might,
Lo! all is just and all is right:
To God all praise and glory!</p> | <p>3. The Lord is never far away,
But, thru all grief distressing,
An ever-present help and stay,
Our peace and joy and blessing.
As with a mother's tender hand
He leads His own, His chosen band:
To God all praise and glory!</p> <p>4. Thus all my toilsome way along
I sing aloud his praises,
That men may hear the grateful song
My voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart!
Both soul and body bear your part:
To God all praise and glory!</p> |
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Confession of Sin Unison

God of mercy, you sent Jesus to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, we see ourselves as pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed to love, neglected injustice and ignored the truth. Have mercy on us, O God, and forgive our sin. Order our lives by your Holy Word and make your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your living Son, Jesus that we may shine before the world to your glory. Amen.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Leader: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

Our offering is an act of worship in which we express our gratitude and reliance on God. 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

Dan Patterson

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 and the World

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Preparation**

Be Thou My Vision

No. 382

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

Scripture

Luke 13:22-24

Sermon

"The Good Hard"

Ben Patterson

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn of Response**

Take My Life and Let It Be

No. 379

1. Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days -
Let them flow in ceaseless praise,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
2. Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee.
3. Take my voice and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.
4. Take my silver and my gold -
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose,
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
5. Take my will and make it Thine -
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart - it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.
6. Take my love - my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself - and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

***Benediction**

Postlude



Sermon Notes:

Welcome to El Montecito Presbyterian Church

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you are worshiping 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

Summer Programs for children and families begin on June 4. Children's Church for age 0-6 is available all summer during worship. Elementary students age 7+ and youth are invited to worship. The playground is open (with parental supervision) for children. Worship activity guides are provided in the Narthex.

Pick up a copy of the summer schedule for Middle School & High School Youth and Children & Families in the Narthex. Will you accept the Psalm Photo Journal challenge? It's going to be a GREAT summer to dive deep into God's Word!

Sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter! 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.

Miles Hale, son of Rob and Christine Hale, in the Engineering Branch of the US Army, deployed to Poland for 2 months. Jon Wentzel and James Wentzel, sons of Bob and Nancy Phinney, both serving in the Air Force as Lt. Cols. and F-16 pilots. Jack Burrows, the grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick, currently serving in the Army's 101st Airborne "Screaming Eagles" Division.

Bereavement for the family and friends of Gordon Smith.

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 and Sudan.

Connecting & Serving

New ELMO Pres. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5369, Santa Barbara, CA 93150

Please use the new P.O. Box for all correspondence and donations. If your donations are sent directly from a financial institution, please advise them of the new P.O. Box. Thank you!

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

Currently studying the book of Daniel with a study guide written by 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 Acts. 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: Olive Grove

Olive Grove is a 2 week International Kids Camp that is Christ-centered to encourage growth for all as followers of God. Please continue to pray for:

- safety while at camp for all participants and for a deeper relationship to develop with their Lord and Savior.
- the staff and counselors, especially our very own Haugen family, for opportunities to share the gospel and develop strong relationships with the campers.
- an openness to the teaching presented at camp and for the campers to grow in faith and to spread the gospel message when they return home.

Following Jesus we Love, Connect, Care and Serve.

Office hours, Monday—Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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