

# WORSHIP



Sunday, August 13, 2023

*Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.*

**Psalm 84:10**

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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Mary Hurt

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

## GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 89

Leader: I will sing of the great LORD's love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

**People: I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.**

Leader: The heavens praise your wonders, LORD, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

**People: For who in the skies above can compete with the LORD? Who is like the LORD among heavenly beings? In the council of the holy ones God is greatly feared; he is more awesome than all those who surround him. Who is like you, LORD God Almighty? You, LORD, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.**

Leader: Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, LORD.

**All: They rejoice in your name all day long; they celebrate your righteousness. For you are their glory and strength, and by your favor you exalt our horn. Indeed our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel. Praise be to the LORD forever! Amen and Amen.**

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*O Worship the King All Glorious Above*

1. O worship the King, all glorious above  
O gratefully sing His wonderful love  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days  
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise
2. O tell of His might, O sing of His grace  
Whose robe is the light and canopy space  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm

**Chorus:**

*You alone are the matchless King*

*To You alone be all majesty*

*Your glories and wonders, what tongue can recite?*

*You breathe in the air, You shine in the light*

3. O measureless might, ineffable love  
While angels delight to worship above  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend [Chorus, Repeat vs. 1]

**Baptism of Mackenzie Paige Dohm**

Daughter of Paul and Tessa Dohm  
Sister of Russell and Skylar Dohm

**Confession of Sin Unison**

**Father, we confess there is so much we don't know - why you give this, why you keep that - so many times we don't get it. And we ask you to forgive us. Forgive us for how our hearts grow cold because of those things we don't know. Forgive us for how we begrudge the smallness of our perspective, and resent you for our doubts. Forgive us for thinking you are against us because we don't like the kind of sun you are, or the kind of shield you've been. Forgive us for thinking you have ignored us, when that very thought means that we have ignored you - you who have shown us your love, not by sunshine all the time, but by sending Jesus to die in our place and be raised from the dead for our salvation. You know our hearts. Search us now, O God, and see the back-alleys of bitterness in our hearts, see all of us, and have mercy on us. All of us. Have mercy on all of us, even now as we confess these sins and others to you. We pray all this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

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

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:4-5

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions - it is by grace you have been saved.

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

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

## GIVING OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

In addition to giving through the passed offering plates, you are also welcome to give online at our website, scan the QR code on the back cover, 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

Wes Haystead

## 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

*Better Is One Day*

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| 1. How lovely is your dwelling place<br>Oh, Lord Almighty<br>For my soul longs and even faints for You<br>For here my heart is satisfied<br>Within Your presence<br>I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings | 2. One thing I ask and I would seek<br>To see Your beauty<br>To find You in the place Your glory dwells<br>One thing I ask and I would seek<br>To see Your beauty<br>To find You in the place Your glory dwells<br>[Chorus]<br>My heart and flesh cry out<br>For You, the living God<br>Your Spirit's water to my soul<br>I've tasted and I've seen<br>Come once again to me<br>I will draw near to You<br>I will draw near to You |
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### **Chorus:**

*Better is one day in Your courts*

*Better is one day in Your house*

*Better is one day in Your courts*

*Than thousands elsewhere*

Scripture

Psalm 84

Sermon

*Being in God's House*

Tom Haugen

## GOING IN GOD'S NAME

### \*Hymn of Response

*He Will Hold Me Fast*

When I fear my faith will fail  
Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail  
He will hold me fast

Raised with Him to endless life  
He will hold me fast  
'Til our faith is turned to sight  
When He comes at last!

I could never keep my hold  
Through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold  
He must hold me fast

**He will hold me fast**  
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**For my Saviour loves me so**  
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For my life He bled and died  
Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied  
He will hold me fast

### \*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](mailto: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](http://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:** 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. Fall programs begin September 10.

**Family Beach Night:** Sunday, August 20, 6:00 pm—sunset, Lookout Park, Summerland.

**Sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter!** Email: [LauriHaugen@elmopres.org](mailto: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](mailto: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, 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.

Susan Dau, for recovery from knee surgery and bereavement for the death of her father.

Jean Svoboda, for healing from a lung infection.

Blanche Heitkamp, continued healing and regained strength.

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

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

The people of Ukraine and Hawaii.

## 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!

**Beach Night, Sunday August 20 at Lookout Park Summerland**

Meet for dinner at Rusty's Pizza in Summerland at 5:00 p.m. and then head to Lookout Park & Beach at 6:00 p.m. for the fun. Ultimate Frisbee, Wiffle Ball, Relays and a beautiful sunset!

**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. You are welcome to join at any time during the current study.

**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: Rancho Sordo Mundo in Mexico**

Our congregation has long supported the ministry of Rancho Sordo Mundo, started by the Everett family in 1969 as a Christ-centered boarding school for deaf and non-speaking children in the fertile Guadalupe Valley inland from Ensenada, Mexico. RSM continues to serve the Lord by training and supporting ministry partners reaching the deaf for Jesus.

- That ranch wells and pumps continue providing ample water during the summer fire season in Baja California and for protection during the season.  
For wisdom in ministering to deaf-serving ministries and educational partners in Mexico and Guatemala.
- For continued financial support for RSM which remains a deaf-serving ministry, albeit one no longer serving as a boarding school, while growing as a training ground, resource and networking hub in Latin America.
- For a renewed spirit for RMS leaders who miss the lively days when children and teachers lived at the ranch during the school year and when the ranch hosted church groups (including ELMO Pres) which used to visit several times a year.

**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. Dr. Tom Haugen, Pastor*

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

*Brad Catron, Facilities Manager*

*Mary Hurt, Music Director*

*Maryann Spradley, Office Administrator*

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*The Entire Congregation, Ministers of the Gospel*

**El Montecito Early School**

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*Nathan Gates, Outreach*

*Rob Hale, Adult Discipleship*

*Barbara Mendelson, Finance*

*Mary Slater, Human Resources*

*Jeffrey Smith, Youth Ministries*

### **Deacons**

*Kersten Barr, Coffee Service*

*Judy Cooper-Ashford, Cards & Visitation*

*Chase Enright, Greeters*

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