

# WORSHIP



Sunday, March 24, 2024

*And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died, he said,  
"Surely this man was the Son of God!" Mark 15:39*

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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

Deborah Bertling & David Talbott

## GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 118

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

**People: Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: the LORD's right hand has done mighty things! The LORD's right hand is lifted high; the LORD's right hand has done mighty things!**

Leader: The stones the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

**People: The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.**

Leader: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you.

**All: The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine on us. With boughs in hand, join the festal procession up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.**

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

1. Hosanna, loud hosanna  
the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple  
the lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them,  
close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises,  
the simplest and the best.
2. From Olivet they followed  
mid an exultant crowd,  
the victory palm branch waving,  
and chanting clear and loud.  
The Lord of earth and heaven  
rode on in lowly state,  
nor scorned that little children  
should on his bidding wait.
3. "Hosanna in the highest!"  
That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer,  
the Lord of heaven, our King.  
O may we ever praise him  
with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence  
eternally rejoice.

**Confession of Sin** *Unison*

**Loving God, on this day, your Son entered the rebellious city that later rejected him: we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's. Our faith is often more show than substance. Our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all we have and all we are, trusting you to forgive, to heal, and to receive us as your own. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

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 welcome to give online at our website or scan the QR code on the back cover. Remember our tithes and offerings are a continued act of worship and a physical act of trusting 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

Kirk Gilbert

### 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 in grades K-6 are dismissed for ELMO Pres kids downstairs in the Creative Studios*

### Prayers for the Church and the World

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

### \*Hymn of Preparation

*There is a Redeemer*

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| 1. There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son<br>Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One              | 3. When I stand in glory I will see His face<br>There I'll serve my King forever<br>In that holy place                 |
| 2. Jesus my Redeemer name above all names<br>Precious Lamb of God Messiah<br>O for sinners slain | Chorus<br>Thank You O my Father<br>For giving us Your Son<br>And leaving Your Spirit<br>Till the work on earth is done |

### Scripture

Mark 15

### Sermon

**"Jesus' Death and Humiliation"**

## GOING IN GOD'S NAME

### \*Hymn of Response

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

1. When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
save in the death of Christ, my God!  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them through his blood.
3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down.  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a present far too small.  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

**Ministry Moment**

Royal Family Kids

Deborah Bertling & Zak Stengel

**\*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](mailto:admin@elmopres.org) so we can get to know you better and send you our weekly newsletter. You may 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 & College

Nursery (ages 0-2.5) & Preschool (ages 2.5-5) from 9:50 a.m. until end of Worship in the Early School classrooms. Curriculum: The Beginner's Gospel Story Bible by Jared Kennedy. K-6th Children for ELMO Pres Kids. Curriculum: The Biggest Story Curriculum by Crossway.

Youth: 6th-12th graders meet together the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 6-8 p.m.

College: Bible study at Westmont, Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Contact [tomhaugen@elmopres.org](mailto:tomhaugen@elmopres.org).

*To sign up for the ELMO Pres Family Newsletter, email [LauriHaugen@elmopres.org](mailto:LauriHaugen@elmopres.org).*

### Holy Week

**Maundy Thursday** March 28, Potluck at 5:30 followed by Worship and Communion.

All ages welcome! Sign up for the potluck on the patio after Worship today.

**Good Friday** March 29 Worship at 12:30 p.m. No childcare provided.

**Easter Worship** Sunday March 31 10:00 a.m. ELMO Pres Kids, ages 0 to 6th grades.

**Holy Week Call to Prayer:** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 reminds us to "Be joyful always; pray continually..." All are invited to participate in a 24-hour prayer watch starting noon on Maundy Thursday and ending noon on Good Friday. Sign up today after worship at the Women in the Word ministry's table. The Fireside Room will be open March 28 from noon to 9:00 p.m. and March 29 from 8:00 a.m. to noon for prayer

### Caring

Please take time to pray for the needs of the Church, local community, state, country and world. Email your prayer requests to [prayers@elmopres.org](mailto:prayers@elmopres.org).

In addition, please pray for:

Safety for those serving in the armed forces, including Lt. Morgan Hale, U.S. Navy;

Lt. Miles Hale, U.S. Army, sons of Rob and Christine Hale; Lt. Col. James Wentzel, U.S.

Air Force, son of Bob and Nancy Phinney; and Spc. Jack Burrows U.S. Army, grandson of Sydney and Peter Tredick.

The families and friends of Anne Denig, Sue Slater, Bea Ostrander and Bill Gowler who are experiencing bereavement.

Jim George, residing at Valle Verde; Ron Gouger, for strength battling cancer;

Blanche Heitkamp, for continued recovery and Curtis Whiteman, for continued healing.

For peace in troubled areas, including Haiti, Ukraine, Israel and Gaza.

## Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries

El Montecito supports numerous ministries and community organizations near and far, including Royal Family Kids. Please support Royal Family Kids by praying:

- For God to fill 2024 camp staffing needs. A few full-time staff positions remain open, along with part-time and one-time positions.
- For God to connect kids who need camp with Royal Family staff. Ten camper spots remain open. We know more kids in Santa Barbara County would benefit from camp.
- For the kids who attend this year's camp, that they would feel God's love and their own loveliness before Him; and for staff, that God would fill them over the coming months so they are able to serve at camp with abundant joy.

### Connecting & Serving

**Sermon Series Discussion Group**, Sundays at 9 a.m. in the library.

**Prayer Time**, Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Fireside Room

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

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for "Celebrating Life in the Kingdom," an in-depth study of the Book of Matthew, taught by Patty Wilson.

**Women's Bible Study**, Thursdays 7:45 - 9:00 a.m. at IHOP at 1701 State St.

Currently studying worship: What do we mean by worship and what does it include?

**Men's Bible Study**, Thursdays at 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the Library

Come participate in a study of the Book of Acts. Bring your Bible. Coffee is provided.

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

Our ministry partners love receiving encouraging notes. Reach them this way:

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#### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

If you know of someone in our congregation who needs reminding of our church's love and prayers for them, contact the Prayer Shawl ministry. Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join the project of making newborn hats and baby blankets for Network Medical Women's Center's new moms. Third Thursday of the month 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Contact Fran Lambeth for more information.

**Office hours, Monday—Thursday, 9 AM to 2 PM 805-969-5041**

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If you would like to connect with one of the following, please email them at:

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