

# WORSHIP



Sunday, May 19, 2024

Pentecost Sunday

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8*

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## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Mary Hurt and Emily Sommermann

Welcome to Our Life Together

Tom Haugen

Prayer of Invocation

Music of Preparation

## GIVING PRAISE TO GOD

**\*Call to Worship**

Joel 2:28-32

Leader: I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

**People: Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions**

Leader: Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

**People: I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke.**

Leader: The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the great coming of the LORD.

**All: And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, there will be deliverance, as the LORD has said among the survivors, whom the LORD calls.**

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

Chorus:

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

1. What love could remember, no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea, without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more  
(Chorus)

2. What patience would wait, as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender, is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more  
(Chorus)

3. What riches of kindness, He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt, we could never afford  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more  
(Chorus)

**Confession of Sin** Unison

**Holy and Triune God, we come in humility, confessing who and what we are. We are often unresponsive because we are afraid. When your Spirit speaks, we turn deaf ears, for we fear what you might call us to do. When your Spirit touches our lips, we close our mouths, embarrassed to speak your Word. When the wind of the Spirit blows, we close the windows of our hearts, afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives. When the fire of your Spirit touches us, we quench the flame, afraid of the new life it might bring. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, serving you and doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*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 humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and 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 dismissed for ELMO Pres kids downstairs in the Creative Studios*

**Prayers for the Church and the World**

## \*PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

### \*Hymn of Preparation     *"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"*

1. Holy Spirit, living breath of God,  
Breathe new life into my willing soul.  
Let the presence of the risen Lord,  
Come renew my heart and make me whole.  
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;  
Give me faith for what I cannot see,  
Give me passion for Your purity;  
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.
2. Holy Spirit, come abide within,  
May Your joy be seen in all I do.  
Love enough to cover every sin,  
In each thought and deed and attitude.  
Kindness to the greatest and the least,  
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.  
Turn my strivings into works of grace;  
Breath of God show Christ in all I do.
3. Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,  
Giving life to all that God has made,  
Show Your power once again on earth,  
Cause Your church to hunger for your ways.  
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;  
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,  
That in unity the face of Christ  
May be clear for all the world to see.

**Scripture**

Nehemiah 1-2

**Sermon**

*"A Third Return by God's Hand"*

Tom Haugen



Sermon Notes:

## GOING IN GOD'S NAME

### \*Hymn of Response

*"Facing a Task Unfinished"*

1. Facing a task unfinished  
That drives us to our knees  
A need that, undiminished  
Rebukes our slothful ease  
We, who rejoice to know Thee  
Renew before Thy throne  
The solemn pledge we owe Thee  
To go and make Thee known  
  
(Chorus)  
We go to all the world  
With kingdom hope unfurled  
No other name has power to save  
But Jesus Christ The Lord.
2. Where other lords beside Thee  
Hold their unhindered sway  
Where forces that defied Thee  
Defy Thee still today  
With none to heed their crying  
For life, and love, and light  
Unnumbered souls are dying  
And pass into the night  
  
(Chorus)
3. We bear the torch that flaming  
Fell from the hands of those  
Who gave their lives proclaiming  
That Jesus died and rose  
Ours is the same commission  
The same glad message ours  
Fired by the same ambition  
To Thee we yield our powers  
  
(Chorus)
4. O Father who sustained them  
O Spirit who inspired  
Savior, whose love constrained them  
To toil with zeal untired  
From cowardice defend us  
From lethargy awake!  
Forth on Thine errands send us  
To labor for Thy sake  
  
(Chorus)

**Find Your Serve Ministry Moment**

*Worship Ministry*

Mary Hurt

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

## 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

Nursery (ages 0-2.5) & Preschool (ages 2.5-5) from 9:50 a.m. until end of Worship in the Pre-K 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. Pick up children at 11:15.

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

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

### 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.

Harriett Hartt, recovering from a stroke; 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.

### Congregational meeting June 2 at 11:15 a.m.

Hear updates from ministry teams, review goals set by Session for 2024-25 and celebrate the faithful service of volunteers. Covenant partners only will vote to install new elders and deacons but all are encouraged to attend.

## Acts 1:8 Connection: Outreach Ministries

ELMO Pres supports numerous ministries and organizations near and far, including the Santa Barbara Rescue Mission which provides services to the homeless and the addicted in our community. Please support the SBRM by praying:

- That God's sustaining power, love and grace be experienced by all leaders, staff and volunteers.
- That those needing services offered by the SBRM would be transformed by a personal encounter and relationship with Jesus Christ.
- For the success of the Transitional Shelter pilot program, and that people currently undergoing care will find healing and greater stability in their lives.

## Connecting & Serving

**Sermon Series Discussion Group**, Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Library studying Ezra and Nehemiah.

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

**Women in the Word's** last meeting of the season is Monday from 9:30– 11:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, followed by lunch at a restaurant. The Bible study lead by Patty Wilson will resume at a later date.

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

Join the study on "Disciplines of a Godly Woman."

**Men's Bible Study**, Thursdays at 9 - 10 a.m. in the Library Bring your Bible to participate in a study of Revelation. Coffee is provided.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**, Third Thursday of the month, 1:30-3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

**Joy Reflected Luncheon**, Thursday, June 13 at 11:45 a.m. Celebrate summer's arrival with a meal and conversation in the Fellowship Hall. Wear a favorite fun hat. Widows invited, including friends and neighbors. To RSVP and/or request a ride, contact Shirley Fender at [fendersender@cox.net](mailto:fendersender@cox.net).

### Connect with our Ministry Partners:

Our ministry partners enjoy receiving encouraging notes.

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