

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your word.
Silence in us any voice but your own; that, hearing,
we may also obey your will; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 36:22-32 (page 724)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.**

*He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.*

**Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.**

*You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;*

**you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.**

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,*

**and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.** (ESV)

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (page 966)

Gospel Lesson: Acts 16:11-34 (page 925)
(sermon text)

Reader: ...the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon ***The Triumph of God's Grace***
the Rev. Caleb Smith
(sermon text: Acts 16:11-34)

*Creed The Nicene Creed

**WE BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible
and invisible.**

**AND IN ONE Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten
Son of God, begotten of his Father before all
worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God
of very God, begotten, not made, being of
one substance with the Father; through whom
all things were made; who for us and for our
salvation came down from heaven, and was
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man; and was crucified also
for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and
was buried; and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures, and ascended into
heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the
Father; and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead; whose
kingdom shall have no end.**

**AND WE BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the Lord
and giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son; who with the Father and
the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in
one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission
of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the
dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession
(concluding with the Lord's Prayer, in unison)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*The Doxology Trinity Hymnal #731
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

*Offertory Prayer
Hymn #521 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
*Hymn #469 "How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place"
*Benediction

*Congregational Response Trinity Hymnal #78
**O bless the Lord, my soul; (v. 1 & 6)
let all within me join,
and aid my tongue to bless his name,
whose favors are divine.
His wondrous works and ways
he made by Moses known,
but sent the world his truth and grace
by his beloved Son. Amen.**

Postlude Anna Abbey



Announcements

VISITORS: Welcome to El Camino! We're glad you're here.
THIS MORNING WE WELCOME back the Rev. Caleb
Smith, who last led our Morning Worship in 2018.
Mr. Smith recently left his position as associate pastor
at Calvary OPC, Glenside, PA, moved to Thousand Oaks
with his wife, Erika, and their two young sons, Joel and
Oliver, and is now serving our presbytery as an evange-
list, gathering a core group of believers for the purpose
of planting a new OPC church in Thousand Oaks.

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Announcements, continued

MEMBERS, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AM WORSHIP, please remain for our congregational meeting which will be moderated by Mr. Smith. From the Session: “At a special meeting of the Session on the 14th of July, it was moved and carried that a congregational meeting be called for the 9th of August, 2020, following the morning worship service, for the purpose of hearing the report of the Pastoral Search Committee and acting on it.”

THIS EVENING WE WELCOME back Mr. Jeremy Allen, our pastoral candidate. Mr. Allen earned his M.Div. from Westminster Seminary CA, has been our Pastoral Intern (shared with Covenant of Grace OPC, Oxnard, under the direction of Pastor Mark Mueller) since June of 2019, and was licensed to preach in February.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

MON., AUG. 10, 6:30PM: A work party is convening in the Nursery. See Andrew Robbins for details.

NEXT SUN., AUG. 16: the Rev. Johnathan Keenan, campus minister for Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at UCSB, will conduct Morning Worship. Mr. Jeremy Allen will conduct Evening Worship.

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Weekly Worship at 10:45am & 6pm

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Today's sermons will be available at elcaminoopc.org.

6:00PM Evening Prayer and Praise

August 9th, 2020

- *Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)
- *Hymn #115 “All Creatures of Our God and King”
- *Prayer of Invocation
- Responsive Psalm 85 Hymnal p. 814
- Congregational Hymn Selections
- Offering
- Prayer for Illumination
- Scripture Lessons: Jeremiah 31:31-40 (page 660)
2 Corinthians 3:1-6 (sermon text; page 965)
Matthew 16:13-20 (page 822)
- Sermon **Letters from Christ** Mr. Jeremy Allen
sermon text: 2 Corinthians 3:1-6
- *Creed The Apostles' Creed
**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
AND IN Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence he shall come to judge the living and
the dead.
I BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection
of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**
- Congregational Prayer (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)
- *Hymn #11 “Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God”
- *Closing Prayer

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The Lord's Day

August 9th, 2020

10:45am Open Air Morning Worship

COVID Fine Print: Thank you for wearing a face covering and observing six feet of distance from those not in your household, as our government has mandated. Hand sanitizer is located on the welcome table and inside, on the wall near the bathrooms.

- Prelude Anna Abbey
- *Greeting and Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)
- *Hymn #53 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
- *Prayer of Adoration and Invocation
- *The Gloria Patri Trinity Hymnal #735
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.
- Unison Prayer of Confession
Most Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.
- *Assurance of Pardon
Minister: ...you are forgiven.
Congregation: **Amen!**
- *Call to Grateful Obedience
Minister: ...this is God's will for you in Christ.
Congregation: **Amen!**
- *Hymn #255 “O Jesus, We Adore Thee”