

*Hymn #473 "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

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: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 (p. 620)
(sermon text)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 126

*When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.*

**Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;**

*then they said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things for them."*

**The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad.**

*Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like streams in the Negeb!*

**Those who sow in tears
shall reap with shouts of joy!**

*He who goes out weeping,
bearing the seed for sowing,*

**shall come home with shouts of joy,
bringing his sheaves with him.** (ESV)

Epistle Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 (page 988)

Gospel Lesson: John 1:6-8, 19-28 (page 886)

Reader: ...the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon ***The Lord's Favor***
the Reverend Jeremy Allen
(sermon text: Isaiah 61:1-4)

*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 #156 "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
(Cups in the outer ring contain wine.)

*Hymn #474 "Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow!"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response Trinity Hymnal #196

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, (v. 1)
**born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us;
let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art,
dear Desire of ev'ry nation,
joy of ev'ry longing heart. Amen.**

Postlude

Anna Abbey



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Announcements

VISITORS: Welcome to El Camino! We're glad you're here.

MEMBERS: Nominations for the offices of Elder, Deacon, Deaconess, and Trustee are now being accepted. Please submit the name(s) in writing to Rienco DeJong.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

THURS., DEC. 24: 6pm Christmas Eve Service of Lessons and Carols

SUN., JAN. 31, 2021: Annual Congregational meeting.

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El Camino Presbyterian Church

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ELDERS: Rienco DeJong & Jim Robbins

MINISTERIAL ADVISOR: Pastor Mark Mueller

***El Camino Church is a congregation of
The Orthodox Presbyterian Church — opc.org***

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

December 13th, 2020

*Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)

*Hymn #1 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

*Prayer of Invocation

Responsive Psalm 2 Hymnal p. 785

Congregational Hymn Selections

Offering

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 50:1-7 (page 611)

Philippians 2:1-11 (page 980)

John 3:22-30 (page 888)

Sermon ***The Increase of Others***
the Reverend Jeremy Allen
sermon text: Philippians 2:1-11

*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 #252 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

*Benediction

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The Lord's Day

December 13th, 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 local government has mandated. Hand sanitizer is located on the welcome table, in the Calvin Room & near the bathrooms.

Prelude Anna Abbey

*Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)

*Salutation

*Hymn #198 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!"

*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!**

