

\*Hymn #80

“Lord, with Glowing Heart  
I’d Praise Thee”

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: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 (p. 259)  
(sermon text)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26

*I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD,  
forever;  
with my mouth I will make known your  
faithfulness to all generations.*

**For I said, “Steadfast love will be built up  
forever;  
in the heavens you will establish your  
faithfulness.”**

*You have said, “I have made a covenant with  
my chosen one;  
I have sworn to David my servant:*

**‘I will establish your offspring forever,  
and build your throne for all generations.’”**

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*Of old you spoke in a vision to your godly one,  
and said:*

**“I have granted help to one who is mighty;  
I have exalted one chosen from the people.**

*I have found David, my servant;  
with my holy oil I have anointed him,*

**so that my hand shall be established  
with him;  
my arm also shall strengthen him.**

*The enemy shall not outwit him;  
the wicked shall not humble him.*

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**I will crush his foes before him  
and strike down those who hate him.**

*My faithfulness and my steadfast love shall  
be with him,  
and in my name shall his horn be exalted.*

**I will set his hand on the sea  
and his right hand on the rivers.**

*He shall cry to me, ‘You are my Father,  
my God, and the Rock of my salvation.’* (ESV)

Epistle Lesson: Romans 16:25-27 (page 951)

Gospel Lesson: Luke 1:26-38 (page 855)

Reader: . . .the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon ***Failed Plans, Gracious God***  
the Reverend Jeremy Allen  
(sermon text: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16)

\*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.**

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**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 #259 “Hark! The Voice of Love and Mercy”

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

\*Hymn #311 “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

\*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



Today’s sermons will be available at [elcaminoopc.org](http://elcaminoopc.org).

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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. Bring a lawn chair & bundle up.

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

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**El Camino Presbyterian Church**

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**MINISTER OF THE WORD:** Pastor Jeremy Allen

**ELDERS:** Rienco DeJong & Jim Robbins

**MINISTERIAL ADVISOR:** Pastor Mark Mueller

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Weekly Open Air Worship at 10:45am & 6pm

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**6:00PM Evening Prayer and Praise**

December 20th, 2020

\*Call to Worship (\*Congregation stands)

\*Hymn #301 "Join All the Glorious Names"

\*Prayer of Invocation

Responsive Psalm 8 Hymnal p. 786

Congregational Hymn Selections

Offering

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 42:1-9 (page 602)

Philippians 2:1-11 (page 980)

Matthew 11:25-30 (page 816)

Sermon ***Humility Par Excellence***  
the Reverend Jeremy Allen  
sermon text: Philippians 2:5-11

\*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 #644 "May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

\*Benediction

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**El Camino Presbyterian Church**

**The Lord's Day**

December 20th, 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 #235 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

\*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!**