

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: 1 Samuel 18:1-5 (page 241)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 25:11-18

*For your name's sake, O LORD,  
pardon my guilt, for it is great.*

**Who is the man who fears the LORD?  
Him will he instruct in the way that  
he should choose.**

*His soul shall abide in well-being,  
and his offspring shall inherit the land.*

**The friendship of the LORD is for those  
who fear him,  
and he makes known to them  
his covenant.**

*My eyes are ever toward the LORD,  
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.*

**Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
for I am lonely and afflicted.**

*The troubles of my heart are enlarged;  
bring me out of my distresses.*

**Consider my affliction and my trouble,  
and forgive all my sins.** (ESV)

Epistle Lesson: Romans 12:9-21 (page 948)

Gospel Lesson: John 17:20-26 (page 903)

Reader: ...the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon **Friendship** (text: John 17:20-26)  
The Rev. Keenan

\*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)

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 #122 "God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

\*Hymn #38 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response Trinity Hymnal #11  
(v. 1 & 2, to the tune *Dundee*, #105)

**Now blessed be the Lord our God,  
the God of Israel;  
For he alone does wondrous works  
in glory that excel,  
And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity;  
the whole earth let his glory fill.  
Amen, so let it be.**

Postlude

Anna Abbey



**Announcements**

**VISITORS:** Welcome to El Camino! Please sign our guest book and join us for refreshments after the service.

**TODAY WE WELCOME** the Rev. Johnathan Keenan, campus minister for Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at UCSB, to the pulpit.

**SHORT TERM MISSION NEXT SUMMER?** Applications are now available as staff for the week-long family English Camp in the Czech Republic, July 2019. Jim has details.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**MON., SEPT. 17:** 6:30pm, the Search Committee meets at church.

**WED., SEPT. 19:** 12:15-12:45pm Lunchtime Bible Study meets at church. Bring your own lunch. No preparation necessary. Topic: Ephesians.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 23:** The Rev. Riley Fraas will be conducting both worship services, as well as leading adult Sunday School. Mr. Fraas is an OPC minister based in San Diego and seeking a call.

**NEXT SUNDAY** the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for seminary students starts—see the flyer in the Narthex.

## 6:00 Evening Prayer and Praise

September 16th, 2018

\*Call to Worship

\*Hymn #701 "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!"

\*Prayer of Invocation

Responsive Psalm 19 (Hymnal, p. 790)

Congregational Hymn Selections

Offering

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons: Proverbs 1:20-33 (page 527)

James 3:1-12 (page 1012)

Mark 8:27-38 (page 844)

Sermon

**God's Sovereignty**

webcast from R.C. Sproul

(Part 2, from the series *Chosen By God*)

\*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 #470 "How Vast the Benefits Divine"

\*Prayer of Benediction

## El Camino Presbyterian Church

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### The Lord's Day

September 16th, 2018

10:45AM Morning Worship

Prelude

Anna Abbey

\*Greeting and Call to Worship (\*Congregation stands)

\*Hymn #2 "O Worship the King"

\*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 #306 "Jesus, My Great High Priest"

## El Camino Presbyterian Church

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**The Orthodox Presbyterian Church: [opc.org](http://opc.org)**

Weekly Worship at 10:45am & 6pm

Adult Sunday School at 9:45am

*Today's sermon will be available at our website,  
[elcaminoopc.org](http://elcaminoopc.org), in our archive of recent sermons.*