

Old Testament Lesson: Haggai 1:1-15 (page 791)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 85

LORD, you were favorable to your land;

you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

*You forgave the iniquity of your people;
you covered all their sin.*

**You withdrew all your wrath;
you turned from your hot anger.**

*Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
and put away your indignation toward us!*

**Will you be angry with us forever?
Will you prolong your anger
to all generations?**

*Will you not revive us again,
that your people may rejoice in you?*

**Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.**

*Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.*

**Surely his salvation is near to those
who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.**

*Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.*

**Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from
the sky.**

*Yes, the LORD will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.*

**Righteousness will go before him
and make his footsteps a way.** (ESV)

Epistle Lesson: 1 Peter 2:1-12 (page 1014)

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 3:1-12 (page 808)

Reader: ...the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon **Build The Church of God**
(text: Haggai 1:1-15)
The Rev. Fraas

*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 #353 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn #11 "Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response Trinity Hymnal #644
(v. 1 & 2)

**May the mind of Christ my Savior
live in me from day to day,
by his love and pow'r controlling
all I do and say.
May the Word of God dwell richly
in my heart from hour to hour,
so that all may see I triumph
only through his pow'r. Amen.**

Postlude

Anna Abbey



Announcements

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

TODAY WE WELCOME the Rev. Riley Fraas to the pulpit, an OPC minister based in San Diego and seeking a call.

THE ANNUAL Thanksgiving Food Drive for seminary students starts today—see the flyer & box in the Narthex.

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. 24: 6:30pm, the Search Committee meets at church.

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UPCOMING EVENTS, CONTINUED:

WED., SEPT. 26: 12:15-12:45pm Lunchtime Bible Study meets at church. Bring your own lunch. No preparation necessary. Topic: Ephesians.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 30: Mr. Phillip Sipe will conduct both worship services, as well as leading adult Sunday School.

6:00 Evening Prayer and Praise

September 23rd, 2018

*Call to Worship

*Hymn #400 "O Bless Our God with One Accord"

*Prayer of Invocation

Responsive Psalm 33 (Hymnal, p. 796)

Congregational Hymn Selections

Offering

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 105:44-45 (page 505)

Sermon *Saved To Keep His Commandments*
the Rev. Fraas

*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 #672 "Trust and Obey"

*Benediction



*Today's sermon will be available at our website,
elcaminoopc.org, in our archive of recent sermons.*

El Camino Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day

September 23rd, 2018
10:45AM Morning Worship

Prelude Anna Abbey

*Greeting and Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)

*Hymn #626 "O Lord, by Grace Delivered"

*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 #349 "O Thou Who the Shepherd of Israel Art"

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.**