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# West Valley Presbyterian Church

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*This morning's theme: The Joy of Knowing Christ*

## Called to Worship

### **Psalm 105:1-3**

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

### **Praise the Lord**

*Show us who You are*

*Show us who You've always been*

*Who You'll always be*

*Make us love the Truth*

*Open up our ears to hear,*

*Our eyes to see*

*You are who You are*

*You are who You've always been*

*Who You'll always be*

*Thank You for the Truth*

*Thank You for the ears to hear*

*The eyes to see*

### **CHORUS:**

*You've filled our hearts with faith*

*You've caused our souls to say*

*Praise the Lord for all He is*

*and all that He has done*

*Praise the Lord! His name is great*

*His victory is won, Praise the Lord*

### **Scripture Reading: Psalm 84 (page: 493)**

## Confessing our Sin

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**And grant, O merciful Father, for Jesus' sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and joyful life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Celebrating the Gospel

**Just As I Am/I Give You My Life**

*Just as I am, without one plea  
But that thy blood was shed for me  
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come*

*Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot  
To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come*

*I bring You no prize, I have none to give  
But only my life that in You I may live*

**CHORUS:**

*There's no other way my soul can be free  
I come knowing you have received me  
Just as I am  
Just as I am*

*Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come*

*Just as I am, thou wilt receive  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve  
Because thy promise I believe  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come*

*I bring You no prize, I have none to give  
But only my life that in You I may live  
Chorus (Repeat)*

## **Declaring our faith**

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will 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.**

## **Near the Cross**

*Jesus, keep me near the cross,  
There a precious fountain—  
Free to all, a healing stream—  
Flows from Calvary's mountain.*

*Refrain:  
In the cross, in the cross,  
Be my glory ever;  
Till my raptured soul shall find  
Rest beyond the river.*

*Near the cross, a trembling soul,  
Love and Mercy found me;  
There the bright and morning star  
Sheds its beams around me.*

*Near the cross! O Lamb of God,  
Bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day,  
With its shadows o'er me.*

*Near the cross I'll watch and wait  
Hoping, trusting ever,  
Till I reach the golden strand,  
Just beyond the river.*

Greeting and Announcements

Welcome! Visitors, we're so happy you joined us this morning. If you desire, please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate as it's being passed. We hope you enjoy your visit.

**Prayer for the congregation and the world**

**Consecrated by the Word**

**Pastor Mark Howard**

*Text: Philippians 3:1-10 (page: 981)*

*Title: Where is your confidence?*

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## **Holy, Holy, Holy**

*Holy, holy, holy  
Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning  
our song shall rise to Thee*

*Holy, holy, holy  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
blessed Trinity*

*Holy, holy, holy  
all the saints adore thee  
casting down their golden crowns  
around the glassy sea*

*Cherubim and seraphim  
falling down before thee  
who wert, and art, and  
evermore shalt be*

*Holy, holy, holy!  
Though the darkness hide thee  
though the eye of sinful man  
Thy glory may not see*

*Only Thou art holy  
there is none beside Thee  
perfect in power  
in love and purity*

*Holy, holy, holy!  
Lord God Almighty  
All thy works shall praise thy name  
in earth and sky and sea*

*Holy, holy, holy  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
blessed Trinity*

## **Communion in Sacrament**

### **The Lord's Supper**

**Gracious Lord, we give you thanks for calling us out of the darkness and into your glorious light. When we remember the price you paid, the death of your only Son, we can only wonder and marvel at the greatness of your love. We give our lives to you Lord, and pray that through your Spirit you would teach us how to live according to your will. Send us out now to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of your mercy. We pray this in Jesus name. Amen.**

### **Nothing But the Blood**

*What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus*

*For my pardon, this I see. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
For my cleansing this my plea. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus*

*Nothing can for sin atone. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Naught of good that I have done. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus*

*This is all my hope and peace. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
This is all my righteousness. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus*

*Now by this I'll overcome. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Now by this I'll reach my home. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Glory! Glory! This I sing. Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
All my praise for this I bring. Nothing but the blood of Jesus*

## Compelled to Go Out

### **Commission and Benediction: Philippians 4:4-7**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

And may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Amen

*We welcome you to join us for coffee and refreshments following the service*

## Community and Events

### Announcements:

Today:

**Youth Group [grades 6-12]** - Youth Group will start up again next this evening at 6:30. We will begin looking at the 10 Commandments.

Next Sunday:

### **Child Protection Policy Meeting -**

For all WV Kids volunteers and teachers, please attend this important meeting immediately following the service. We need to update everyone on changes to West Valley's Child Protection Policy as well as clearance/background information.

### Upcoming Events:

**Congregational Meeting** - Sunday, January 22nd at 10:45am (followed by pot luck lunch). Join us right after the service as we look back on God's goodness over the last year and consider a renewed vision for the years ahead.

**Women's Fellowship** - Cheese and Fondue night at 7:30pm Saturday, January 21 at the home of Amy Miller.

**Christianity Explored** - If you or a friend are interested in finding out more about Jesus or just want to brush up on the basics, sign up at the back for more info about our upcoming Christianity Explored course.

### Opportunities to Serve:

If you are interested in helping out with the Children's Ministry, please email Derek Coyle at [WVKids@westvalleypres.org](mailto:WVKids@westvalleypres.org)

**Host a Japanese exchange student** - March 18-26 - AHLI are looking for host families for 8th and 9th grade students visiting to learn about our culture. For more information see the flier at the back or contact Rosanne Kelsall ([rosannek@amhomelife.org](mailto:rosannek@amhomelife.org))

*More details regarding the events here at West Valley can be found on our website: [www.westvalleypres.org](http://www.westvalleypres.org)*

## Memory Verse

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

-John 1:14

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