



February 12, 2017

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: The Church - The Body of Christ

Called to Worship

Psalm 133

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes! It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

Praise to the Lord (Psalm 117)

CHORUS:

*Praise the Lord all you nations
Extol him all you peoples
For great is his love for us
Praise the Lord he is faithful
His love endures for ever
And great is his love for us*

*Sing a song of praise to God enthroned on High
Bow before the King of the angels
His mercy and His love his justice will be known
Lift a song of praise to the Lord*

Chorus

*Boldly shout his praise for he has rescued us
Sin and death no more can enslave us
His beauty and his power displayed at Calvary
Lift a song of praise to the Lord*

Chorus with repeat

Scripture Reading: Romans 12:3-8 (page: 948)

Confessing our Sin

Prayer of Confession

God of everlasting love, we confess that we have been unfaithful to our covenant with you and with one another. We have worshiped other gods: money, power, greed, and convenience. We have served our own self-interest instead of serving only you and your people. We have not loved you or loved our neighbor as you have commanded. Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness of our covenant with you and one another. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance: Ephesians 2:14

Christ himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility.

Celebrating the Gospel

Hallelujah Praise Jehovah

*Hallelujah, praise Jehovah O my soul, Jehovah praise
I will sing the glorious praises of my God thru all my days
Put no confidence in princes Nor for help on man depend
He shall die, to dust returning and his purposes shall end*

*Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid
He is blest whose hope of blessing On the Lord his God is stayed
Heav'n and earth the Lord created Seas and all that they contain
He delivers from oppression Righteousness He will maintain*

*Food He daily gives the hungry Sets the mourning pris'ner free
Raises those bowed down with anguish Makes the sightless eyes to see
Well Jehovah loves the righteous And the stranger He befriends
Helps the fatherless and widow Judgment on the wicked sends*

*Hallelujah, praise Jehovah O my soul, Jehovah praise
I will sing the glorious praises Of my God thru all my days
Over all God reigns forever Thru all ages He is King
Unto Him thy God O Zion Joyful hallelujahs sing*

Declaring our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism (54-55)

What do you believe about the church?

I believe that the Son of God, out of the whole human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, defends, and preserves for himself, by his Spirit and Word, in the unity of the true faith, a church chosen to everlasting life. And I believe that I am and forever shall remain a living member of it.

What do you understand by the ‘communion of saints’?

First, that believers, all and everyone, as members of Christ have communion with him and share in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that everyone is duty-bound to use his gifts readily and cheerfully for the benefit and well-being of the other members.

Sin is Powerless

*Subdue in me, the love of sin
Wash my life, without, within
Teach my soul to long for only You
Teach us Lord, to cling to the truth*

CHORUS:

*There is no guilt, no shame no hold on us
You are victorious
There is no curse, no blame no fear in love
now sin is powerless*

*So fill my life to overflow
I claim the cross as all my hope
Teach my soul to long for only You
Teach us Lord, to cling to the truth*

CHORUS

*The Spirit that raised You up from the grave
Is in us, is in us
We’re covered in grace our failures erased
In Jesus, in Jesus
(repeat)*

CHORUS with repeat

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

*May the mind of Christ my Savior
Live in me from day to day
By His love and power 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 that I triumph
Only through His pow'r*

*May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in everything
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing*

*May the love of Jesus fill me
As the waters fill the sea
Him exalting, self abasing
This is victory*

Father Long Before Creation

*Father long before creation
Thou hadst chosen us in love
And that love so deep, so moving
Draws us close to Christ above
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us
Firmly fixed in Christ alone*

*Though the world may change it's fashion
Yet our God is e'er the same
His compassion and His cov'nant
Through all ages will remain
God's own children, God's own children
Must for ever praise His name.*

*God's compassion is my story
Is my boasting all the day
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way
God so loved us, God so loved us
That His only Son He gave.*

*Loving Father now before Thee
We will ever praise Thy love
And our songs will sound unceasing
'Til we reach our home above
Giving glory, giving glory
To our God and to the Lamb
Giving glory, giving glory
To our God and to the Lamb*

Compelled to Go Out

Commission & Benediction: Romans 15:5-6

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Announcements:

Today: **Christianity Explored** - If you or a friend are interested in finding out more about Jesus or just want to brush up on the basics, join us at the church today from 3.30pm-5pm for the start of this 7 week series in Mark's Gospel.

Youth Group [grades 6-12] - We will meet tonight at 6:30 to continue our study of the Ten Commandments.

Upcoming Events:

Men's Bible Study - Thursday, 7.30pm at church. This week we will be studying Roman 8:14-29 and considering the good news of our adoption.

Women in The Word - Please join us as we outline Romans 8-16 on Tuesday, Feb. 21st from 8pm-9:30pm at the home of Amy Miller.

"**Side by Side**" is a confidential prayer and encouragement group for women who have been impacted by any sexual sin in their marriage. The group is hosted by Calvary Bible Fellowship Church in Coopersburg and begins March 9. Pre registration is required. Contact Yvonne at ymshorb@gmail.com for more info.

Opportunities to Serve:

Children's Ministry - If you are interested in helping out, please email Derek Coyle at 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)

More details regarding the events here at West Valley can be found on our website: www.westvalleypres.org

Memory Verse

Jesus came and said to them "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations."

Matthew 28:18-19a

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