



April 2, 2017

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: Lead Us Not Into Temptation

Called to Worship

Psalm 95:5-8

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.

For the Beauty of the Earth

*For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies.*

*Lord of all to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the wonder of each hour,
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light.*

*For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild.*

*For the church, that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love.*

*For Thyself, best Gift Divine.
To our race so freely given
For that great great love of Thine,
Peace on earth and joy in Heaven.*

Scripture Reading: James 1:12-15 (page: 1011)

Confessing our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our fellow men, in thought and word and deed, in the evil we have done and in the good we have not done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen

Words of Assurance: Isaiah 44:22

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

Celebrating the Gospel

Come Boldly to the Throne of Grace

*Come boldly to the throne of grace,
Ye wretched sinners come;
And lay your load at Jesus' feet,
And plead what he has done.*

*"How can I come?"
Some soul may say,
"I'm lame and cannot walk;
My guilt and sin
Have stopped my mouth;
I sigh but dare not talk."*

*Come boldly to the throne of grace,
Though lost, and blind, and lame;
Jehovah is the sinner's Friend,
And ever was the same.*

*He makes the dead to hear his voice;
He makes the blind to see;
The sinner lost he came to save,
And set the pris'ner free.*

*Come boldly to the throne of grace,
For Jesus fills the throne
And those he kills, He makes alive
He hears the sigh or groan.*

*Poor bankrupt souls,
Who feel and know
The hell of sin within,
Come boldly to the throne of grace;
The Lord will take you in,
Take you in*

Declaring our Faith:

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.

I Asked The Lord That I Might Grow

<i>I asked the Lord that I might grow In faith and love and every grace Might more of His salvation know And seek more earnestly His face</i>	<i>Yea more with His own hand He seemed Intent to aggravate my woe Crossed all the fair designs I schemed, Cast out my feelings, laid me low</i>
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<i>Twas He who taught me thus to pray And He I trust has answered prayer But it has been in such a way As almost drove me to despair</i>	<i>Lord why is this, I trembling cried Wilt Thou pursue thy worm to death? Tis in this way, The Lord replied I answer prayer for grace and faith</i>
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<i>I hoped that in some favored hour At once He'd answer my request And by His love's constraining power Subdue my sins and give me rest Instead of this He made me feel The hidden evils of my heart And let the angry powers of Hell Assault my soul in every part</i>	<i>These inward trials I employ From self and pride to set thee free And break thy schemes of earthly joy That thou mayest seek thy all in me, That thou mayest seek thy all in me.</i>
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Receiving New Members and Baptisms

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

Pastor Mark Howard

Title: Disturbing News

Text: Mark 10:1-30 (page: 845)

Notes: _____

In Christ Alone

*In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter,
My All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ In me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell,
No scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Til He returns, or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I stand*

*In Christ alone Who took on flesh
Fullness of God In helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live*

*There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ*

Communion in Sacrament

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Tithes and Offerings

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Co 9:7

Jesus I Am Resting Resting

CHORUS:

*Jesus I am resting, resting
In the Joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart*

*Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee
And Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power
Thou hast made me whole*

Chorus

*O how great Thy loving kindness
Vaster, broader than the sea
O how marvelous Thy goodness
Lavished all on me*

*Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved
Know what wealth of grace is Thine
Know Thy certainty of promise
And have made it mine*

Chorus

*Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus
I behold Thee as Thou art
And Thy love, so pure, so changeless
Satisfies my heart*

*Satisfies its deepest longings
Meets supplies its every need
Compasseth me round with blessings
Thine is love indeed*

Chorus

*Ever lift Thy face upon me
As I work and wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus
Earth's dark shadows flee*

*Brightness of my Father's glory
Sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting, resting
Fill me with Thy grace*

Chorus

Compelled to Go Out

Commission: Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Benediction: Psalm 121:7-8

May the LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. Amen.

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

Community and Events

Announcements:

Today: **Growth Group** - 4pm at the Nussbaum's to pray and discuss last week's sermon. Please contact Matt if you are interested.

Youth Group [grades 6-12] - 6:30pm at church - to continue our study of the 10 Commandments.

Tuesday: **Women in the Word** - We will not be meeting this week. Join us again on April 11th, as we continue our study of Romans.

Thursday: **Men's Bible Study** - 7.30pm at church. This week we will study Romans 12.

Saturday: **Women in the Word** - Join us at 8am! This group is also studying Romans. The location regularly changes - for more information, contact Cindy Zerfass.

Reminder - Please encourage your kids to follow the new guidelines for play in the classrooms: Leave doors open, no food and drink and remember to clean up.

Upcoming Events:

Good Friday Service - Friday, April 14th at 7pm.

Young Adult Small Group - Are you a young adult looking to get plugged in at West Valley? Join us after church every other Sunday for fellowship and time in the Scriptures. Talk to Brian or Jenn (stensonb@dm.org) for more information.

Bright Hope 5k Run and Walk - April 8th, 2017 9am (registration 7.30am-8:45am) at Hanover Township Community Center. Great for beginners and seasoned runners! Registration is \$35. For more info and to register visit BrightHopeCenters.org.

Opportunities to Serve:

Children's Ministry - If you are interested in helping out, please email Derek Coyle at WVKids@westvalleypres.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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*Growing disciples of Jesus
at home, at work and in our communities
through the Word, prayer and mutual encouragement*