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West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: The Authority of Jesus

Called to Worship

Psalm 99:1-3

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

Jesus Shall Reign

*Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run,
His kingdom spread from shore to shore
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.*

*For Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head;
His name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.*

*People and realms of ev'ry tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.*

*Blessings abound where'er He reigns;
The pris'ner leaps, to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.*

*Where He displays His healing power,
Death and the curse are known no more;
In Him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost.*

*Let every creature rise and bring
His grateful honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.*

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 11:1-5 (page: 575)

Confessing our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you and for ignoring your immensity and greatness. Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rule the nations and our small lives. Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power and squandering your gifts. We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God, has resulted in shallow confession, tepid conviction, and only mild repentance. Have mercy upon us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Assurance: Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Celebrating the Gospel

Jesus What A Friend For Sinners

Jesus what a Friend for sinners

Jesus Lover of my soul

Friends may fail me, foes assail me

He, my Savior, makes me whole

Hallelujah what a Savior

Hallelujah what a Friend

Saving, helping, keeping, loving

He is with me to the end

Jesus what a Strength in weakness

Let me hide myself in Him

Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing

He, my Strength, my vict'ry wins

Jesus what a help in sorrow

While the billows o'er me roll

Even when my heart is breaking

He, my Comfort, helps my soul

Jesus! what a guide and keeper

While the tempest still is high

Storms about me, night o'ertakes me

He, my Pilot, hears my cry

Jesus I do now receive Him

More than all in Him I find

He hath granted me forgiveness

I am His, and He is mine

Declaring our Faith: Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

This Is My Father's World

*This is my Father's world and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres
This is my Father's world I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas His hand the wonders wrought*

*This is my Father's world the birds their carols raise
The morning light, the lily white declare their Maker's praise
This is my Father's world He shines in all that's fair
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass He speaks to me everywhere*

*This is my Father's world O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong God is the ruler yet
This is my Father's world why should my heart be sad
The Lord is King; let the heavens ring God reigns; let the earth be glad*

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

Come to the Feast

*Go to the highways and hedges
go to the farthest of fields
Go and compel, the sick and the well
For our Father's house will be filled*

*Go to the streets of the city
bring in the crippled and blind
All who would taste this banquet of grace
Must come and waste no more time*

CHORUS:

*Come to the feast, come to the table
The great and the least, the rich and the poor
Come to the feast, come to the table
Come and hunger no more*

*In the robe of the lamb you'll be covered
Dressed in his pure righteousness
For all of your guilt, his blood it was spilt
So come by your Father be blessed*

Chorus with repeat

Communion in Sacrament

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

Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come

*Arise Shine for your light has come
and the glory of God is on you
Arise, see when the earth grows dark
that the Lord will arise upon you
The Lord will arise upon you*

*The sun will not shine cause
You'll be all the light that we need
And violence will end
All the wars that we wage will cease
(repeat)*

CHORUS:

*Nations will come to your light
lift up your eyes and see
We'll gather together and come to you
and your love will be all that we know
Your love will be all that we know*

*We will glorify Your name
We will glorify Your name*

Chorus with repeat

*Arise, come to the open gates
for the Father is welcoming you
Fear not for the Lord brings peace
and redemption to all who believe
Redemption to all who believe*

Chorus

Compelled to Go Out

Benediction: Matthew 28:18-20

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

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

Announcements:

- Today: **Youth Group [grades 6-12]** - 6:30pm at church to continue our study of the 10 Commandments.
- Tuesday: **Women in the Word** - No study this week. Join us May 9th at 8pm at the home of Amy Miller as we continue our study of Romans.
- Thursday: **Men's Bible Study** - 7.30pm at church. We are continuing our study of Romans
- Saturday: **Women in the Word** - Join us at 8am! This group is also studying Romans. Contact Cindy Zerfass for more information.

Parents - Following the service there will be a meeting for the parents of kids who are 'graduating' out of Sunday school.

Growth Groups - Want to think more about how what we learn on Sunday applies to life the rest of the week? These groups meet regularly to discuss the sermon. Sundays, 4pm at the Nussbaum's and Fridays, 6.30pm at the Lyngdoh's.

Young Adult Small Group - Are you a young adult looking to get plugged in at West Valley? Contact Brian or Jenn (stensonb@dm.org) for more information.

Upcoming Events:

Kids and Communion - Join us on Sunday, June 4th 4pm-5.30pm as we think through the when and how of introducing our kids to the Lord's Supper.

Playground Group - We will meet at Alton Park on Oxford Dr. in Allentown on the 2nd/4th Tuesday of the month at 10:30am.

Opportunities to Serve:

Slides - Looking for a way to serve at West Valley? Helping run the slides on Sunday is a vital ministry that's straightforward and doesn't involve a huge commitment. See Isaac and Stef Moore for more info.

Back Yard Bible Clubs - Are you interested in hosting, assisting or praying for outreach to local families? Speak to Karen Lyngdoh or Alice Kim for more info. Families with children 6-9 are welcome to join Ezra's BYBC in Emmaus June 26-30.

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*