



May 01, 2016

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: God's Enduring Love

Called to Worship

Psalm 145:8-10

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you!

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

*I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise
That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day
The moon shines full at His command and all the stars obey*

*I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food
He formed the creatures with His Word and then pronounced them good
Lord! How Thy wonders are displayed where'er I turn mine eye
If I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky*

*There's not a plant or flower below but makes Thy glories known
And clouds arise and tempests blow by order from Thy throne
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care
And everywhere that man can be thou God art present there*

Confessing our Sin

Exodus 20:1-2, 14

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery... You shall not commit adultery."

Matthew 5:27-28

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

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.

Declaration: Romans 5:8

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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*

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

*My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me with His light
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart*

*My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly
Whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace*

*My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace whose ev'ry thought is love
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King
So I will give my life, my all to love and follow him*

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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: Mark 6:1-28 (page: 840)

Title: News That Demands a Response

The Good News...

Preached

Rejected

Removed

Communion in Sacrament

Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Great is Thy faithfulness O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever will be*

CHORUS:

*Great is Thy faithfulness. Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me*

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness mercy and love*

Chorus

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside*

Chorus

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

Mighty God We Thank and Praise You

*Mighty God we thank and praise you
for this meal, this Bread of Life
Precious blood and body, broken
From your Son our Savior, Christ
In these myst'ries you assure us
we are members of your Son
Heirs of your eternal Kingdom
with all faithful people, One*

*Humbly now we ask you, Father
In your grace to make us strong
That with all the saints before us
In good works we may press on
Send us out to love and serve you
Send us out to sing your praise
Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Pow'r and glory to your name*

*Amen Amen Amen
Amen Amen*

Compelled to Go Out

Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

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

Community and Events

This week at West Valley:

Today: **Communion Sunday!**

Thursday: **Men's Bible Study, 7:30pm-9pm**

Upcoming Events:

May 8th **Baby Bottle Campaign**, a fundraiser with Care Net Lehigh Valley Pregnancy Support Centers. Help us share hope with women and men facing an un planned pregnancy. Pick up and fill a baby bottle with spare change, bills and/or a check and return it by June 19th. It's that easy to participate and change a life forever!

May 14th **Sexual Maturity and Relationship Truths for Kids.** On Saturday, May 14th from 9:30am-12pm West Valley will be hosting a seminar, run by Care Net, to help parents think through discussing sexuality with their children. For more information speak to Alice Kim or sign up at the back of Church. Childcare will be available on request.

May 21st **Men's Social**, more details to follow.

BOOK DRIVE this month for new church library! Help stock the shelves and bring used (or new!) books, CDs, DVDs, and even jigsaw puzzles and board games. Collection boxes can be found around the church.

Volunteers for Morning Sliders! We need 2 more volunteers to help runs the slides on Sunday mornings. Commitment is limited to one 30 minute training session; serving about one Sunday every 6 weeks; and showing up at 8.30am on the days you serve. Your service will be highly impactful for the congregation, yet low-key and out of the limelight. Please contact Pastor Mark or Kelly Lundquist.

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

To receive our weekly event email please contact office@westvalleypres.org.

Memory Verse

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

-John 15:5

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