

April 12, 2015



West Valley Presbyterian Church

worship as communal exchange . Trinity God renews us, and we respond

called to come in

*God comes near and calls his people out of the world, and
takes hold of us and brings us into the community of Himself.*

we hear . Titus 1:2; Psalm 118:29

(leader) Come, worship the Father, Son and Spirit!

Come, in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began!

(people) Let those who fear the Lord say: His steadfast love endures forever!

(all) We give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His steadfast love endures forever!

SONG: Praise 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...and great is his love for us

we hear . from Ephesians 3:14-19

(leader)

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God!

we respond . SONG: O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus

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| <p><i>1. O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me,
Is the current of Thy love
Leading onward, leading homeward
To Thy glorious rest above!</i></p> | <p><i>3. O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Love of every love the best!
Tis an ocean vast of blessing,
Tis a haven sweet of rest!
O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Tis a heaven of heavens to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
For it lifts me up to Thee!</i></p> |
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- 2. O the deep, deep love of Jesus,
Spread His praise from shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth,
Changeth never, nevermore!
How He watches oer His loved ones,
Died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth,
Watcheth oer them from the throne!*

confessing our sin

God the Spirit reminds us that God the Father has saved us through the righteous life and sacrificial death of Christ the Son - and in faith we rest on his gracious interest to renew us yet again.

we hear . from the Heidelberg Catechism, q.1-2 (1563)

(leader) What is your only comfort in life and in death?

(all) That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death— to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

(leader) What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

(all) Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance

we confess . from the Valley of Vision Book of Puritan Prayers:

“the broken heart”

(all) O Lord, not a day in my life has passed that has not proved me guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart; praise has been often praiseless sound. My best services are filthy rags. All things in me call for my rejection, and yet - all things in Christ plead my acceptance. I appeal from the throne of perfect justice to your throne of boundless grace. Grant me to hear your voice assuring me: that by your stripes I am healed, that you were made sin for me that I might be righteous in you, that my grievous sins are ALL forgiven, buried in the ocean of your concealing blood. I am guilty but pardoned, lost but saved, wandering but found, sinning but cleansed. O Christ, give me perpetual broken-heartedness, keep me always clinging to your cross, and flood the wilderness of my life with the river of your descending grace. Amen.

we rest . SONG: Satisfied

*All my life long I had panted
for a drink from some cool spring
that I hoped would quench the burning
of the thirst I felt within*

CHORUS

*Hallelujah He has found me
the One my soul so long has craved
Jesus satisfies all my longings
through his blood I now am saved*

*Feeding on the filth around me
'till my strength was almost gone
Longed my soul for something better
only still to hunger on*

CHORUS

*Poor I was and sought for riches
something that would satisfy
But the dust I gathered 'round me
only mocked my soul's sad cry*

CHORUS

*Well of water ever springing
Bread of Life so rich and free
Untold wealth that never faileth
my Redeemer is to me*

CHORUS (with repeat)

DECLARATION: I Peter 2:24

(leader) He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

consecrated by Word

God declares the finished gospel of his Son, and continues his powerful, internal work of change/consecration by his Spirit.

greeting, children and announcements

we hear . Jason Knox (DiscipleMakers Muhlenberg alumni, missionary with MTW)

Text: Imagining Glory

Title: Colossians 3:1-4 Black (NIV) Bible page: 834 / Blue (ESV) Bible page: 984

1) *We must set our minds on His* _____

2) *We must set our minds on His* _____

3) *We must set our minds on His* _____

we respond . SONG: 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 (repeat)*

SONG: (offering) All Hail The Power of Jesus Name

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name let Angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all*

*Ye chosen seed of Israel's race Ye ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace and crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace and crown Him Lord of all*

*Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe and crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe and crown Him Lord of all*

*O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all*

compelled to go out

God blesses us and charges us go out and extend his kingdom into the broken world
around us, making disciples of all nations.

benediction . Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, according to his power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen.