

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.

SONG: Praise the Lord (Ross King)

Show us who You are Show us who You've always been Who You'll always be

Make us love the Truth
Open up our ears to hear, our eyes to see
Fill our hearts with faith
Teach our souls to say

CHORUS:

Praise the Lord for all He is and all that He has done Praise the Lord! His name is great His victory is won Praise the Lord!

You are who You are You are who You've always been Who You'll always be

Thank You for the Truth
Thank You for the ears to hear, the eyes to see
You've filled our hearts with faith
You've caused our souls to say

CHORUS

we hear . from Psalm 118, Luke 19: 38-40

(leader)Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

(all) We bless you from the house of the LORD.

(leader) The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

(all) You are our God, and we give thanks to you. You are our God, we will praise you.

(leader) If we were silent, the very stones would cry out.

we respond. SONG: 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

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 . 2 Corinthians 7:9-10

(leader) As it is, I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because you were grieved into repenting. For you felt a godly grief, so that you suffered no loss through us. For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.

we confess . from the Valley of Vision, book of Puritan prayers "The Convicting Spirit"

(all) LORD God Almighty, Come, work repentance in my soul; represent sin to me in its odious colors that I may hate it;

Melt my heart by the majesty and mercy of God; show me my ruined self and the help there is in him;

Teach me to behold my Creator, his ability to save, his arms outstretched, his heart big for me.

Make me willing to be saved in his way, perceiving nothing in myself, but all in lesus:

to walk in him, depend upon him, commune with him, be conformed to him, follow him.

Perceiving nothing in myself, may I find in Christ wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, redemption. Amen.

we rest . SONG: Arise My Soul Arise

Arise, my soul, arise shake off your guilty fears
The bleeding sacrifice in my behalf appears
Before the throne my Surety stands
Before the throne my Surety stands
My name is written on His hands

CHORUS:

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise Arise, my soul, arise Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise Arise, my soul, arise Shake off your guilty fears and rise He ever lives above for me to intercede
His all redeeming love His precious blood, to plead
His blood atoned for every race
His blood atoned for every race
And sprinkles now the throne of grace

CHORUS

Five bleeding wounds He bears received on Calvary
They pour effectual prayers they strongly plead for me
Forgive him, O forgive, they cry
Forgive him, O forgive, they cry
Nor let that ransomed sinner die

CHORUS

The Father hears Him pray His dear anointed One He cannot turn away the presence of His Son The Spirit answers to the blood The Spirit answers to the blood And tells me I am born of God

CHORUS

My God is reconciled His pardoning voice I hear He owns me for His child I can no longer fear With confidence I now draw nigh With confidence I now draw nigh And Father, Abba, Father, cry

DECLARATION: Colossians 1:13-14

(leader) 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.

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. Pastor Mark Howard

Text:True Prayer

Title: Reading: Matthew 6:5-8 [black NIV Bible page: 684 / blue ESV Bible page: 811]

Introduction: Not a "how to" but a "who to"

Two threats to true prayer and two truths to neutralize them:

Threat 1: Praying to impress man (v. 5)

Truth: Your Father sees (v. 6)

Threat 2: Praying to impress God (v. 7)

Truth: Your Father knows (v. 8)

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

Giving glory, giving glory
To our God and to the Lamb

SONG: (offering) 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

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

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

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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 . Psalm 96:10

Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."