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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: I Sing the Mighty Power of God

*I sing the mighty pow'r 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.*

CHORUS:

*There's no greater power
Than the power of our God
There's no greater power
Than the power of our God*

*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 my eye;
If I survey the ground I tread,
Or gaze upon the sky!*

CHORUS

*There's no a plant or flow'r 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.*

CHORUS

we hear . Psalm 63:1-4

(leader) O God, you are our God; earnestly we seek you!

(all) Our souls thirst for you in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

(leader) So we come, looking upon you in the sanctuary, wanting to behold your power and glory.

(all) Because your steadfast love is better than life...we praise you. We bless you as long as we live, in your name we lift up our hands.

we respond . SONG: Jesus What A Friend of Sinners

Jesus! What a friend for sinners!

Jesus! Lower of my soul;

Friends may fail me, foes assail me,

He my Savior, makes me whole.

CHORUS:

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 victory wins.*

CHORUS

*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.*

CHORUS

*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.*

CHORUS

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 Ephesians 6:12, Romans 8:35-39

(leader) For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

we confess . adapted from Romans 7:18-25

(all) Lord, I know that nothing good dwells in me, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. I so often fail to do the good I want, but the evil I hate is what I keep on doing. Sin is busy at work in me. While I delight in your law of righteousness in my soul, I feel captive to the law of sin in my body. How wretched am I- who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God, through Jesus Christ our Lord!

we rest . SONG: God Be Merciful to Me

*God, be merciful to me, On thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassion thou, Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within, Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.*

*My transgressions I confess, Grief and guilt my soul oppress;
I have sinned against thy grace And provoked thee to thy face;
I confess thy judgment just, Speechless, I thy mercy trust.*

*I am evil, born in sin; Thou desires truth within.
Thou alone my Saviour art, Teach thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, thy grace bestow, Wash me whiter than the snow.*

*Broken, humbled to the dust By thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice And in gladness hear thy voice;
From my sins O hide thy face, Blot them out in boundless grace.*

*Gracious God, my heart renew. Make my spirit right and true;
Cast me not away from thee, Let thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, Stedfast make my willing heart.*

*Sinners then shall learn from me And return, O god, to thee;
Saviour, all my guilt remove, And my tongue shall sing they love;
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, And my mouth shall praise accord.*

DECLARATION: Ephesians 5:2

(leader) And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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 . Dave Royes

Title: *Confidence of His Coming*

Text: *1 John 2:28-3:3 (Black NIV Bible page: 863/ Blue ESV Bible page: 1022)*

1. *Jesus is coming: Abide in Him*

→ *Practice righteousness (vs. 29)*

2. *Jesus is coming: Endure like Him*

a. *Expect _____ (vs. 1)*

c. *Remember _____ (vs. 2)*

3. *Jesus is coming: Long for Him*

we respond . SONG: I Will Sing Praise to God

*I will sing praise to God
He has lifted me up
He heard my cry for help
And He filled my cup*

CHORUS:

*His favor extends for a lifetime
His grace gives me strength each day
My soul shall sing His praise
forever more*

*I'll put my trust in Him
God my refuge and strength
For when my life seems lost
He will show me the way*

CHORUS

*My soul shall sing His praise
Forever more*

SONG: (offering) Be Thou My Vision

*Be Thou my Vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father I thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one*

*Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine Inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my Treasure Thou art*

*High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my Vision O Ruler 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 . Romans 8:31

What shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? Amen.