

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 to the Lord the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation O my soul, praise Him, For He is thy health and salvation All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord! Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth Shelters thee under His wings, Yea, so gently sustaineth Hast thou not seen, how all your longings have been Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee Ponder anew, What the Almighty can do If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him All that hath life and breath, Come now with praises before Him Let the Amen, Sound from His people again Gladly for aye we adore Him

we hear . 2 Timothy 1.15, 17

(leader) The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom we are the foremost!

(all) To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever!

we respond. SONG: Immortal Invisible
Immortal, invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most blessed, most glorious the Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious Thy great name we praise

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light
Nor wanting, nor wasting Thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

To all, life thou givest to both great and small In all life thou livest the true life of all We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee

Thou reignest in glory thou dwellest in light thine angels adore thee all veiling their sight All laud we would render O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee

Great Father of glory pure Father of light Thine angels adore Thee all veiling their sight All praise we would render O help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee

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 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

(leader) Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself... We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

(all) Blessed Spirit, come and 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. Make me willing to be saved in this way, perceiving nothing in myself, but all in Jesus, who became sin though he knew it not. He became my sin, and by grace I became his right-eousness! I believe, yet my unbelief! May I daily be saved by grace through faith, live by faith, feel the joy of faith, do the work of faith. Perceiving nothing in myself, may I find in Christ wisdom, righteousness and redemption! 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: from Psalm 32:1-2

(leader) Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered!

(all) Blessed is the one against whom the Lord counts no iniquity!

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: Colossians 1:1-8 (Black NIV Bible page: 833 /Blue ESV Bible page: 983)

Title: Secure in Christ

Introduction — Can I be sure?

A shocking certainty based on:

Fruitful Faith (vs. 2-5a, 8)

With A Firm Foundation (vs. 5b-7)

we respond . SONG: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone Who took on flesh
Fullness of God In helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost it's grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ In me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand

Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

No power of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

SONG: (offering) 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

CHORUS

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. Jude 24, 25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

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