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West Valley Presbyterian Church

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

Theme: Trusting God with the future

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 118:1, 8

(leader) Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

(song) Hallelujah Praise Jehovah

*1) Halleluhah, praise Jehovah
O my soul, Jehovah praise
I will sing the glorious praises
of my God thru all my days
Put no confidence in princes
Nor for help on man depend
He shall die, to dust returning
and his purposes shall end*

*3) Food He daily gives the hungry
Sets the mourning pris'ner free
Raises those bowed down with anguish
Makes the sightless eyes to see
Well Jehovah loves the righteous
And the stranger He befriends
Helps the fatherless and widow
Judgment on the wicked sends*

*2) Happy is the man that chooses
Israel's God to be his aid
He is blest whose hope of blessing
On the Lord his God is stayed
Heav'n and earth the Lord created
Seas and all that they contain
He delivers from oppression
Righteousness He will maintain*

*Hallelujah, praise Jehovah
O my soul, Jehovah praise
I will sing the glorious praises
Of my God thru all my days
Over all God reigns forever
Thru all ages He is King
Unto Him thy God O Zion
Joyful hallelujahs sing*

prayer

(song) Our Song from Age to Age

*Oh God of power, living Word
The One who made the stars
Who with Your glory filled the earth
From dust made beating hearts
You loved us when we fell away
Poured mercy on our souls
And promised grace would come to save
To loose death's iron hold*

*You are our song from age to age
Our voices unite to recount Your praise
Again and again*

*Oh God of promises fulfilled
The God who took on flesh
Who did all that the Father willed
Was humbled unto death
You bore our cross of sin and shame
Endured our agony
With gladness we now bear Your name
And worship at Your feet*

*You are our song from age to age
Our voices unite to recount Your praise
Again and again
You are our song from age to age
We will proclaim Your power to save
Again and again*

*Oh God, who surely guides our steps
Through tempests and through trials
Our Shepherd King, Your way is best
Though tears now veil our eyes
Your steadfast love, our perfect hope
Our eyes are fixed on grace
We have no doubt You'll lead us home
To finally see Your face*

*You are our song from age to age
Our voices unite to recount Your praise
Again and again
You are our song from age to age
We will proclaim Your power to save
Again and again*

*Oh God of all of history
Enthroned in realms of light
What eyes of faith have strained to see
Will one day fill our sight
With all the saints we'll lay our crowns
Before the Savior's feet
And sing as all the heav'ns resound
For all eternity*

*You are our song from age to age
Our voices unite to recount Your praise
Again and again
You are our song from age to age
We will proclaim Your power to save
Again and again*

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Proverbs 3:5-8

(leader) Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.

prayer of confession

(all) Almighty and most merciful Father, we confess that we have not trusted you with our whole heart; We have leaned on our own understanding and been wise in our own eyes; In our thoughts, words and deeds we have not acknowledged you and so our paths have been crooked before you. Forgive us our sins and teach us by you Spirit to fear you and to turn away from evil, to the glory of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

declaration: Psalm 103:11-13

(leader) As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

(song) As Long As You Are Glorified

*Shall I take from Your hand Your blessings
Yet not welcome any pain?
Shall I thank You for days of sunshine
Yet grumble in days of rain?
Shall I love You in times of plenty
Then leave You in days of drought?
Shall I trust when I reap a harvest
But when winter winds blow, then doubt?*

CHORUS

*Oh let Your will be done in me
In Your love I will abide
Oh I long for nothing else as long
As You are glorified*

*Are You good only when I prosper
And true only when I'm filled?
Are You King only when I'm carefree
And God only when I'm well?
You are good when I'm poor and needy
You are true when I'm parched and dry
You still reign in the deepest valley
You're still God in the darkest night*

CHORUS

BRIDGE

*So quiet my restless heart
Quiet my restless heart
Quiet my restless heart in You*

(song) Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

1) *Dear refuge of my weary soul
On Thee when sorrows rise
On Thee when waves of trouble roll
My fainting hope relies
To Thee I tell each rising grief
For Thou alone canst heal
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief
For every pain I feel*

3) *Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face
And shall I seek in vain
And can the ear of sovereign grace
Be deaf when I complain
No still the ear of sovereign grace
Attends the mourner's prayer
Oh may I ever find access
To breathe my sorrows there*

2) *But oh when gloomy doubts prevail
I fear to call Thee mine
The springs of comfort seem to fail
And all my hopes decline
Yet gracious God where shall I flee
Thou art my only truest
And still my soul would cleave to Thee
Though prostrate in the dust*

4) *Thy mercy seat is open still
Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will
And wait beneath Thy feet
Thy mercy seat is open still
Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will
And wait beneath Thy feet*

COMMUNION IN SACRAMENT

prayer of Thanksgiving

(all) 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.

(song and offering) 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

*'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus and to take him at his word
Just to rest upon his promise and to know, Thus saith the Lord*

CHORUS:

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him. How I've proved him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus. O for grace to trust him more*

*O how sweet to trust in Jesus just to trust his cleansing blood
And in simple faith to plunge me neath the healing, cleansing flood*

CHORUS

*Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus just from sin and self to cease
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace*

CHORUS

*I'm so glad I learned to trust thee precious Jesus, Savior, friend
And I know that thou art with me wilt be with me to the end*

CHORUS

COMPELLED TO GO OUT

benediction . Hebrews 13:20-21

(leader) Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.