



West Valley Presbyterian Church

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

Theme: The Priority of God's Word

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 33:6-8

(leader) By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host. He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him! For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

(song) God Whose Almighty Word

1. *God whose almighty word
Chaos and darkness heard
And took their flight
Hear us, we humble pray
And where the Gospel day
Sheds not its glorious ray
Let there be light*

2. *Lord, who once came to bring
On your redeeming wing
Healing and sight
Health to the sick in mind
Sight to the inly blind
Oh, now to humankind
Let there be light*

3. *Spirit of truth and love
Life giving, holy dove
Speed forth your flight
Move on the water's face
Bearing the lamp of grace
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light*

4. *Holy and blessed three
Glorious Trinity
Wisdom, love, might
Boundless as ocean's tide
Rolling in fullest pride
Through the earth, far and wide
Let there be light*

prayer

(song) Across the Lands

*You're the Word of God the Father from before the world began
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet has been fashioned by your hand
All creation holds together by the power of your voice
Let the skies declare your glory let the land and seas rejoice*

CHORUS:

*You're the Author of creation. You're the Lord of ev'ry man
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands*

*Yet you left the gaze of angels came to seek and save the lost
And exchanged the joy of heaven for the anguish of a cross
With a prayer you fed the hungry with a word you calmed the sea
Yet how silently you suffered that the guilty may go free*

CHORUS

*With a shout you rose victorious wresting vict'ry from the grave
And ascended into heaven leading captives in your way
Now you stand before the Father interceding for your own
From each time and tongue and nation You are leading sinners home*

CHORUS with repeat

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Hebrews 4:12-13

(leader) The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

prayer of confession

(all) When you would guide me I control myself
When you would be sovereign I rule myself
When you would take care of me I suffice myself
When I should depend on your provision I supply myself
When I should submit to your providence I follow my will
When I should study, love, honor, trust you, I serve myself
I fault and correct your laws to suit myself...
Convince me that I cannot be my own God
or make myself happy...
Take me to the cross and leave me there.

declaration: 1 Peter 1:23

(leader) You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God.

(song) How Firm a Foundation (vs. 1, 3, 5, 6)

*How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word
What more can he say than to you he hath said
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled*

*Fear not, I am with you oh be not dismayed
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid
I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand
Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand*

*When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie
My grace all sufficient shall be thy supply
The flame shall not hurt thee I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine*

*The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to His foes
That soul, though all Hell should endeavor to shake
I'll never, no never no never forsake*

COMMUNION IN SACRAMENT

(song) I Come by the Blood

*You are the perfect and righteous God
whose presence bears no sin
You bid me come to your holy place how can I enter in
When your presence bears no sin
Through him who poured out his life for me
The atoning Lamb of God
Through him and his work alone
I boldly come!*

CHORUS:

*I come by the blood I come by the cross
Where your mercy flows from hands pierced for me
For I dare not stand on my righteousness
My every hope rests on what Christ has done
And I come by the blood*

*You are the high and exalted King
The One the angels fear
So far above me in every way Lord, how can I draw near
To the One the angels fear
Through him who laid down his life for me
And ascended to your side
Through him through Jesus alone
I boldly come*

CHORUS *with repeat*

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) Mighty God We Thank and Praise You

*Mighty God we thank and praise you for this meal, this Bread of Life
Precious blood and body, broken from your Son our Savior, Christ
In these myst'ries you assure us we are members of your Son
Heirs of your eternal Kingdom with all faithful people, One*

*Humbly now we ask you, Father in your grace to make us strong
That with all the saints before us in good works we may press on
Send us out to love and serve you send us out to sing your praise
Father, Son and Holy Spirit pow'r and glory to your name*

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

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.

