

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: The Glory of the Cross

Called to Worship

Matthew 21:1-9

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saving to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saving, "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.' "The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

All Glory Laud and Honor

All glory laud and honor to thee Redeemer King To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring Thou art the King of Israel thou David's royal Son Who in the Lord's name comest the King and blessed One

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went Our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present To thee, before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise To thee, now high exalted our melody we raise

Thou didst accept their praises accept the prayers we bring Who is all good delights thou good and gracious King All glory laud and honor to thee Redeemer King To whom the lips of children made seen hosannas ring

Hosannah. Hosannah in the highest (repeat)

Confessing our Sin

Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Prayer of confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us. And grant, O merciful Father, for Jesus' sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and joyful life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Declaration: 1 Peter 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Celebrating the Gospel

What Wondrous Love is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down, sinking down; when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM - while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing; while millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be, and through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through eternity I'll sing on.

Tithes and offerings

The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day, Christ on the road to Calvary Tried by sinful men. Torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood

CHORUS:

This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us; Took the blame, bore the wrath- we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face bearing the awesome weight of sin Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow

Chorus

Now the daylight flees. Now the ground beneath Quakes as its Maker bows His head Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life "Finished!" the vict'ry cry

Chorus

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds for through Your suffering I am free Death is crushed to death life is mine to live won through Your selfless love

Chorus

Greeting and announcements

Welcome! Visitors, we're so happy you joined us this morning. If you desire, please fill out a welcome card and place it in the basket on your way out. We hope you enjoy your visit.

Prayer for the congregation and the world

Consecrated by the Word

Pastor Mark Howard

Text: John 13:1-20 (page: 900) Title: The Service of the Cross

- 1. The Cross is where Jesus serves us
- 2. The Cross is where Jesus shows us how to serve

Notes:

Communion in Sacrament

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands Who has numbered every grain of sand Kings and nations tremble at His voice All creation rises to rejoice

CHORUS:

Behold our God seated on His throne come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare come let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord Who can question any of His Words Who can teach the One who knows all things Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Chorus

Who has felt the nails upon His hands Bearing all the guilt of sinful man God eternal humbled to the grave Jesus, Savior risen now to reign

Chorus

Men: You will reign forever

Women: Let Your glory fill the earth

(repeated)

Chorus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Come Thou Everlasting Spirit

Come Thou everlasting Spirit bring to every thankful mind All the Savior's dying merit all His sufferings for mankind

CHORUS:

Come Thou Witness of His dying come Remembrancer divine Let us feel Thy power applying Christ to every soul, and mine

True Recorder of His passion now the living faith impart Now reveal His great salvation preach His Gospel to our heart

Chorus

Let us groan Thine inward groaning look on Him we pierced, and grieve All receiving the grace atoning all the sprinkled blood receive

Chorus with repeat

Compelled to Go Out

Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21

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.

We welcome you to join us for coffee and refreshments following the service.

Community and Events

This week at West Valley

Today: Youth: Passport, 6pm-8pm

Tuesday: Women's Bible Study, 7:30pm-9pm

Friday: Good Friday Service, 7pm

Upcoming Events:

April 9th Care Net LV's 5k run/walk for life, 7:30am-11:30am

Easter devotions - to sign up to receive Scripture readings and pray pointers during Easter week, please visit: http://eepurl.com/bUqBEr

Opportunities to Serve:

Easter Egg hunt - next Sunday there will be an Easter egg hunt for the kids. To make this possible we need help filling the eggs. If you are able, please take a bag of eggs and some candy after the service. Filled eggs can be returned at the Good Friday service or early next Sunday. For more info contact Jane at wvkids@westvalleypres.org.

More details regarding the events here at West Valley can be found on our website: www.westvalleypres.org.

To receive our weekly event email please contact office@westvalleypres.org.

Memory Verse

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

-John 15:5

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