

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: Our Father in Heaven

Called to Worship

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

This is the Day

CHORUS:

This is the day the Lord has made I will rejoice and be glad in it This is the day the Lord has made I will rejoice and be glad in it

There's reason to sing today
There's reason to thank You for my life
This world is a broken place
But I know You have made me for this time

Chorus

Your hand is in everything
Your kingdom is tearing kingdoms down
Your power is conquering
Your mercy is healing even now

Chorus

All things by You All things for You alone All things in You All things bow at Your throne (repeat)

Chorus

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:7-9 (page: 811)

Confessing our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, gracious Father, we confess that we are not worthy of your presence, but we look now to the Lamb of God, who takes away our sin. Through him we would now come near to you, listening to your voice, trusting in your love, delighting in your word, and leaning on your arm. We joyfully beg to see your face! Now cleanse our minds of all error and our hearts of all idols, that we may shine in the world with the radiant light of your Spirit and your character. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance: Psalm 103:11-13

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.

Celebrating the Gospel

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 (repeat)

Declaring our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism (26)

I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends upon me in this sad world. God is able to do this because he is almighty God and desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.

I Will Trust and Obey

I will trust, I will obey
I will follow where you lead
come what may

I will die to myself And Your cross I will take You alone are worthy of my offering You alone are worthy of my praise You alone are holy You are all I need

So find in me a faithful heart I pray

I will trust You, Lord I will trust You (I will trust and obey)

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 offering plate as it's being passed. We hope you enjoy your visit.

Prayer for the congregation and the world

Consecrated by the Word

Pastor Mark Howard

Title: Unexpected News

Text: Mark 8:31-9:2 (page: 844)

Notes:	 	

Jesus Paid it All

I hear the Savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all

Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim I'll wash my garments white In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete Jesus died my soul to save My lips shall still repeat

Communion in Sacrament

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.

Show Your Power

He is the Lord and He reigns on high He is the Lord Spoke into the darkness, creating the Light He is the Lord Who is like unto Him, never ending in days He is the Lord And He comes in power when we call on His name He is the Lord

CHORUS:

Show Your power Oh, Lord, our God Show Your power Oh, Lord, our God

Your Gospel, oh, Lord is the hope for our nation You are the Lord It's the power of God for our salvation You are the Lord

We ask not for riches but look to the cross 'Cause you are the Lord And for our inheritance give us the loss You are the Lord

Chorus

Compelled to Go Out

Commission: Mark 8:34

And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, Jesus said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

Benediction: Psalm 121:7-8

May the LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

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

Community and Events

Announcements:

Today: Youth Group [grades 6-12] - We will meet tonight

at 6:30 to continue our study of the Ten

Commandments.

Upcoming Events:

Christianity Explored - If you or a friend are interested in finding out more about Jesus or just want to brush up on the basics, join us at the church today from 3.30pm-5pm for this 7 week series in Mark's Gospel.

Women's Bible Study - Please join us as we study Romans 8 on Tuesday, Feb. 28th from 8pm-9:30pm at the home of Amy Miller.

"Side by Side" is a confidential prayer and encouragement group for women who have been impacted by any sexual sin in their marriage. The group is hosted by Calvary Bible Fellowship Church in Coopersburg and begins March 9. Pre registration is required. Contact Yvonne at ymshorb@gmail.com for more info.

Opportunities to Serve:

Children's Ministry - If you are interested in helping out, please email Derek Coyle at <u>WVKids@westvalleypres.org</u>

Host a Japanese Exchange Student - March 18-26 - AHLI are looking for host families for 8th and 9th grade students visiting to learn about our culture. For more information see the flier at the back or contact Rosanne Kelsall (rosannek@amhomelife.org)

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

Jesus came and said to them "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations."

Matthew 28:18-19a

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