



November 18, 2018

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: Christ, our true treasure

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 107:8-9

Let us thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man!

For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

Praise to the Lord

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

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:14-21 (page 1014)

Confessing our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength. We admit that our hearts are full of idols. Even when we worship you, we are half-hearted; our thoughts of you are too small; we make you in our own image rather than worship you in spirit and in truth. Thank you that you have saved us and make us true worshipers through Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, help us to offer our whole lives in heartfelt worship. In Jesus name, Amen.

Words of Assurance: 2 Corinthians 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

Celebrating the Gospel

His Mercy is More

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Praise the Lord, his mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, his mercy more

Declaring Our Faith: Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living, in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law; in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when he comes

Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Greeting and Announcements

Sunday school classes for pre-K, grades K-1, and grades 2-3 are available during the sermon.

If you are visiting us, please fill out one of the welcome cards in front of your seat and drop it in the offering plate when it is passed.

Consecrated by the Word

Scripture: Ephesians 2:1-10 (page 976)

Message: The Gospel & Money

Pastor Mark Howard

Notes: _____

My heart is filled with thankfulness

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me with His light
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly
Whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace whose ev'ry thought is love
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King
So I will give my life, my all to love and follow him

Communion in Sacrament

Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. 1 Corinthians 11:28

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.

Tithes and Offerings

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

Lift High the Name

Lift high the name of Jesus,
Of Jesus our King.
Make known the power of His grace,
The beauty of His peace.
Remember how His mercy reached
And we cried out to Him.
He lifted us to solid ground,
To freedom from our sin.

*Oh sing my soul,
And tell all He's done,
Till the earth and heavens are filled with His glory!*

Lift high the name of Jesus,
Of Jesus our Lord.
His power in us is greater than,
Is greater than this world.
To share the reason for our hope,
To serve with love and grace,
That all who see Him shine through us
Might bring the Father praise.

Lift high the name of Jesus,
Of Jesus our Light.
No other name on earth can save,
Can raise a soul to life.
He opens up our eyes to see
The harvest He has grown.
We labor in His fields of grace
As He leads sinners home.

Compelled to Go Out

Commission& Benediction: Colossians 3:12-15

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And may the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which you were called in one body. Amen.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments following the service!

This week:

Today: **Membership Class** –11-11:45am, Grade K-1 classroom

Youth Group – 6:30-8pm at church

No Bible Studies this week

Thursday **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

Announcements:

Membership Class - Interested in finding out more about West Valley or becoming a member? Join the third session of our 3-week membership class **TODAY** after the service.

Food Drive -We are collecting 150 boxes of hot chocolate for East Penn Angel Network, an organization that provides assistance to local families in the school district. Please bring boxes by **Sunday, December 2nd**.

Operation Christmas Child – Take and return filled boxes by **TODAY**, include \$9 donation (online or in your box).

Installation of David Royes – has been rescheduled for *Sunday, December 9th*.

Discipleship Focus: Life at home

During the fall, we will focus on becoming better equipped to serve Christ at home. See the yellow flyer for details.

Bible Studies –not meeting this week.

More information about Bible Studies and small groups can be found at:

www.westvalleypres.org/groups

Memory Verse

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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through the Word, prayer and mutual encouragement*

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