



October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

*This morning's theme: "Forgive us our debts" – God's Gift of Forgiveness*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 103:1-5**

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!  
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

### **Bless The Lord**

*Bless the Lord O my soul  
O my soul, worship His holy name  
Sing like never before O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

### **Scripture Reading: Luke 18:9-14 (page 877)**

## Confessing our Sin

### **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.**

**Words of Assurance: Psalm 32:1-2**

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered!  
Blessed is the one against whom the Lord counts no iniquity!

Celebrating the Gospel

**Before The Throne Of God Above**

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is Love  
Who ever lives and pleads for me  
My name is graven on His hands  
My name is written on His heart  
I know that while in Heaven He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart  
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When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end to all my sin  
Because the sinless Savior died  
My sinful soul is counted free  
For God the Just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb!  
My perfect, spotless righteousness  
The great unchangeable I Am  
The King of Glory and of Grace  
One with Himself, I cannot die  
My soul is purchased by His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high  
With Christ, my Savior and my God  
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**Declaring Our Faith: Based on Romans 8**

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

## **O The Deep Deep Love Of Jesus**

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!  
Rolling as a mighty ocean  
In its fullness over me!  
Underneath me, all around me,  
Is the current of Thy love  
Leading onward, leading homeward  
To Thy glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
Spread His praise from shore to shore!  
How He loveth, ever loveth,  
Changeth never, nevermore!  
How He watches o'er His loved ones,  
Died to call them all His own;  
How for them He intercedeth,  
Watcheth o'er them from the throne!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
Love of every love the best!  
Tis an ocean vast of blessing,  
Tis a haven sweet of rest!  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus,  
Tis a heaven of heavens to me;  
And it lifts me up to glory,  
For it lifts me up to Thee!

## **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. Parents, please take your kids to their class table in the narthex during the greeting time.*

*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.*

## **Pastoral Prayer**

*I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.*

1 Timothy 2:1-2.



## **Rock Of Ages**

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure,  
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfill thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,  
Simply to thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to thee for dress;  
Helpless, look to thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the Fountain fly;  
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See thee on thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in thee.

## **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*

## **O Church Arise**

O church, arise and put your armor on;  
Hear the call of Christ our captain;  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has giv-en.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth  
We'll stand against the devil's lies;  
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!"  
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,  
But to rage against the captor;  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole  
We will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,  
We know the outcome is secure,  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died—  
An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet,  
As the Son of God is stricken;  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,  
For the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away,  
And Christ emerges from the grave,  
This vict'ry march continues till the day  
Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride,  
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize  
Of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way,  
Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls and hunger for the day  
When with Christ we stand in glory

## Compelled to Go Out

### **Commission & Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24**

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

*Please stay for coffee and refreshments after the service!*

**This week:**

- Today           **Young Adults** – 12pm at the Howards  
                  **Youth Group** – 6:30pm-8pm in the choir room
- Tuesday       **Women’s Bible study: Hosea** – 7:30pm
- Thursday      **Men’s Bible Study: Hosea** – 7:30pm
- Saturday      **Women’s Bible study: Daniel** – 8am
- Next Sunday   **DEADLINE to sign up for the Men’s Retreat**

**Announcements:**

**Thank you** - to everyone who has helped over the last few weeks with the move to our new location. Please be patient with us as we settle into our new space!

**Adopt-a-college student** – are you a student looking for a home away from home? Or, are you interested in ‘adopting’ a student? Sign up at the welcome desk.

**Serving at West Valley** – with our new space comes new opportunities to serve! Would you be willing to help with set-up, clean-up or security. If so contact Cherilyn at [cherilyn.whitney@gmail.com](mailto:cherilyn.whitney@gmail.com).

**Discipleship Focus: Life At Home**

*Here are just some of the ways we hope to become better equipped to serve Christ at home this fall:*

**Sermon Series: *Together for The Gospel (Philippians)*** - In Philippians, we’ll discover how working together for the sake of the Gospel leads to greater joy and unity in our church family.

**Bible Studies: Hosea** - In Hosea we learn about the lengths God will go to for us, even when we fail in our commitment to him. This is a motivation and model for all our relationships. See above for details.

**Young Adults Group** – a ‘college and careers’ group that meets for lunch and Bible study every other Sunday at 12pm. This fall we’re working through Christianity Explored.

**Men’s Retreat** - November 15<sup>th</sup>- 16<sup>th</sup> at Camp Men-o-lan, Quakertown. Cost: \$70. Grow in friendship and learn more about how we to face fears in faith with speaker Pastor Danny Jang. [Sign up now to reserve your spot at westvalleypres.org/retreat](http://westvalleypres.org/retreat)

**Next week’s sermon text:** Philippians 3:12-21

This Month's Memory Verse

*"If you love me, you will obey what I command."*

John 14:15 (NIV)

This Week's Shorter Catechism Question

Q. 105. What do we pray for in the fifth request?

*In the fifth request (which is, Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors) we pray that God, for Christ's sake, would freely pardon all our sins; and we are encouraged to ask this because, by his grace, we are enabled from the heart to forgive others.*

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*Our mission: Growing disciples of Jesus  
at home, at work and in our communities  
through the Word, prayer and mutual encouragement*

**Meeting Location**

9:15am at 1208 Brookside Rd, Wescosville  
(Bethany's Wescosville Campus)