



February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

*This morning's theme: God's Holiness*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 29:1-2**

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

### **O Worship The King**

O worship the King all-glorious above,  
And gratefully sing His wonderful love:  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might and sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.  
Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

### **Scripture Reading: Psalm 24:1-6**

## 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: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

Celebrating the Gospel

**In You O Lord I Am Found**

O Lord, you know me and search me out:  
My habits and thoughts, my secret doubts,  
My dreams at night, the words of my mouth.  
In you, O Lord, I am found;  
Oh, in you, O Lord, I am found.

I know not all my own heart and mind,  
My wandering soul, my sleepless eyes;  
I long for you but from you I hide.  
In you, O Lord, I am found;  
Oh, in you, O Lord, I am found.

Though darkness covers my hope and sight  
And night overtakes my troubled mind  
In darkness you, my Daylight will shine  
In you, O Lord, I am found;  
Oh, in you, O Lord, I am found.

Before my birth, you composed my frame.  
You gazed in my eyes and knew my name;  
You wrote with love each one of my days.  
In you, O Lord, I am found;  
Oh, in you, O Lord, I am found.

Where can I run from your love so deep,  
So boundless and strong, so rich, so free?  
No height, nor depth can separate me:  
In you, O Lord, I am found;  
Oh, in you, O Lord, I am found.

**Declaring Our Faith: Revelation 15:3-4**

**Great and amazing are your deeds,  
O Lord God the Almighty!  
Just and true are your ways,  
O King of the nations!  
Who will not fear, O Lord,  
and glorify your name?  
For you alone are holy.  
All nations will come and worship you,  
for your righteous acts have been revealed.**

**Sooner Count The Stars**

I could sooner count the stars  
Than number all Your ways  
Though I only know in part  
That part exceeds all praise  
As sunlight fills the skies  
Your goodness fills my life  
For all Your precious gifts  
Receive my gratefulness

I could sooner drink the seas  
Than fathom all Your love  
Like a never ceasing stream  
Are mercies through Your Son  
The death of Christ alone  
Deserves eternal song  
For such a love as His  
Receive my gratefulness

*No praise is high enough  
No thanks is deep enough  
No life is long enough  
To tell of all You've done  
No shout is loud enough  
No words are strong enough  
No song is sweet enough  
To sing Your love*

I could sooner turn back time  
Than turn Your heart away  
Though the years go fleeting by  
Your mercies never change  
Before You made the sun  
Your love was set on us  
For all Your faithfulness  
Receive my gratefulness

**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**

*Nursery and 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.*

**Pastoral Prayer**

*I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.* 1 Timothy 2:1-2.

Consecrated by the Word

**Scripture: Genesis 30:25-31:43 (page 25)**

**Message: The Unfolding Promise** *Pastor Mark Howard*

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**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

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

**This week:**

Today	<b>Membership Class</b> – 11pm-2pm <b>Youth Group</b> – 6:30pm-8pm in the choir room
Tuesday	<b>Women’s Bible Study: Luke</b> – 7pm
Wednesday	<b>Small Group</b> – 7:30pm at the Seitz’s
Friday	<b>Friday Night Fellowship</b> – 6pm-7:30pm
Saturday	<b>Women’s Bible Study: Hebrews</b> – 8am

**Announcements:**

**Teachers Needed!** Are you interested in teaching in Sunday school? We are currently in need of two more Pre-K volunteers. If you would like to help email Karen at [WVKids@westvalleypres.org](mailto:WVKids@westvalleypres.org). *Note: all volunteers are required to complete background checks.*

**Friday Night Fellowship – THIS FRIDAY, 6pm-7:30pm.** A family-friendly way to connect over dessert and hear from our mission partner Chris B. During the teaching time there will be kid’s activities based on the children’s catechism. [Sign up now at westvalleypres.org/friday](http://westvalleypres.org/friday).

**Membership Class – TODAY, 11pm-2pm** in the conference room (downstairs). Want to learn more about West Valley? Interested in becoming a member? This short class is an opportunity to find out more (lunch will be provided).

**Small Groups** – Are you new to studying the Bible? Or do you want to go deeper by studying it with others? Come along to one of our weekly groups (check your email for information about when these resume):

- *Women’s Bible Study* – Tuesdays, 7pm and Saturdays, 9am
- *Men’s Bible Study* – Thursdays, 7:30pm
- *Small Group* – Wednesdays, 7pm
- *Other fellowship groups* – contact the office for more info

**Theological Training Seminar** – Recordings and notes from our first two seminars are available at [westvalleypres.org/seminar](http://westvalleypres.org/seminar). The next will take place Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 9am-11am.

**Sermon Series – The Promise (Genesis 25-36)** – As we consider the life of Jacob, Genesis provides some gritty, realistic insights into what it means to ‘wrestle with God’ as we fight to believe His promises.

**NEW START TIME** – Please note, our services now begin at **9:30am**

This Month's Memory Verse

*We have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ, once for all.*

Hebrews 10:10b (NIV)

Shorter Catechism Question

Q. 4. What is God?

*A. God is a spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth.*

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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**

9:30am at 1208 Brookside Rd, Wescosville  
(Bethany's Wescosville Campus)  
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