

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

Note: Please wear a mask or face covering while inside the building

## Called to Worship

*This morning's theme: Jesus – The True Vine* 

## Call to Worship: 1 Peter 2:9

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called vou out of darkness into his marvelous light.

## **Come People Of The Risen King**

Come people of the risen King who delight to bring Him praise Come all and tune your hearts to sing, to the Morning Star of grace From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in

Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice. O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun and those weeping through the night Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease But follow us through all our days, with the certain hope of peace

Come, young and old from every land, men and women of the faith Come, those with full or empty hands, find the riches of His grace Over all the world His people sing, shore to shore we hear them call The Truth that cries through every age, "Our God is all in all"!

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

## Confessing our Sin

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated than involved, callous than compassionate, obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

#### Words of Assurance: 1 Peter 2:10

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

#### **Pastoral Prayer**

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

#### The Lord's 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.

# Consecrated by the Word

Scripture: John 15:1-17

## **Message: The True Vine**

Pastor Mark Howard

<sup>5</sup>*I* am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and *I* in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

What does it mean to 'abide' in Christ?

Why should we abide in Christ?

Through Him alone we...

Belong to God's family

Bear good fruit

## Celebrating the Gospel

## Thy Mercy My God

Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue Thy free grace alone from the first to the last Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here Sin would reduce me to utter despair But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive And He that first made me still keeps me alive

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found

Great Father of mercies Thy goodness I own And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine

## We Will Say In That Day (Isaiah 12)

You will see there a highway from God's own hand That will lead back the lost to the Promised Land; And the voice of the Savior will call us friends, Saying, "Join in the song of the Lord!"

We will call back our armies: "Return from war!" And we'll make into plowshares our useless swords, Very soon to forget what they once were for, When we join in the song of the Lord!

We will say in that day, "To the Lord, give thanks!" We will not be afraid, for He comes to save. We will shout; we will call: "Every tribe and race, Come and join in the song of the Lord!"

You will see there a banquet for sinners spread, Where we'll sit with the Lord at the table's head; And our Shepherd himself is our wine and bread. And we'll join in the song of the Lord!

When the remnant return to the promised land; When the highway of God brings us home to Him; We'll be welcomed with love by our Savior friend; And we'll join in the song of the Lord!

## **Tithes and Offerings**

An offering box is available at the back of church. Alternatively, please consider giving online at westvalleypres.org/give. For more info visit the "giving info" link on our website.

## Compelled to Go Out

## Commission & Benediction: John 15:5

Jesus say, "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." May you abide in the love of Christ, to whom be glory forever.

At the end of the service, the downstairs Fellowship Hall and lawn outside the Fellowship Hall will be available for fellowship. Please wait for further instructions before you leave the sanctuary.

#### Announcement

## **Opportunities to Connect:**

**Bible Studies** (check your email for links if applicable)

- Women's Bible Study Discussing "Pray Big" by Alistair Begg, Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
- Men's Bible Study, Thursdays at 7:30 pm at Camp Olympic
- Women's Bible Study on Contentment, Saturdays at 8 am

# **Opportunities to Serve:**

# **Bright Hope Pregnancy Support Centers**

*Baby Bottle Campaign* - Bottles will be available for pick up at the back of church after the service so you can collect change to support Bright Hope's ministry.

*Donations* – Bright Hope is also in need of the following items. These can be found on a Target gift registry via the link in your email:

- Formula: Similac Advance, Similac Sensitive, and Similac neosure
- Diapers sizes: Newborn, size 5 and 6
- Baby Wipes

Feel free to bring these items on Sundays and drop them off at the back of church.