



August 16th, 2020

West Valley Presbyterian Church

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

Called to Worship

This morning's theme: God's everlasting kingdom

Call to Worship: Psalm 103:19-22

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all. Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word! Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will! Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Before the Throne of God Above

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I have a strong a 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
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Behold Him there, the risen Lamb!
My perfect, spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I
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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Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:25-36

Confessing our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven, we confess that we have not honored your name; we have not sought your kingdom first; we have not done your will. We have made idols of possessions and people and used your name for causes that are not consistent with you and your purposes. Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we fall short of your glory. Help us to learn to live together according to your ways through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance: Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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.

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 Reading: Matthew 6:5-10

Message: Praying with Hope

Pastor Mark Howard

Notes: _____

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood,
of mortal ills prevailing:
For still our ancient foe,
doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
and, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side,
the Man of God's own choosing:
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His Name,
from age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed,
His truth to triumph through us:
The prince of darkness grim,
we tremble not for him
His rage we can endure,
for lo, his doom is sure,
One little word will fell him.

That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours,
through Him Who with us sideth:
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
The body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is for ever.

May the Peoples Praise You

“You have called us out of darkest night
Into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ

May our every breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy
With endless life

*May the peoples praise You
Let the nations be glad
All Your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus*

All the earth is Yours and all within
Each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You
To make Christ known

May the seeds of mercy grow in us
For those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread Your Word

This our holy privilege to declare
Your praises and Your name
To every nation, tribe and tongue,
Your church proclaims

Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty
Worthy, worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise Your glorious Name

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.

Commission: Matthew 6:31-33

Do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Benediction: Philippians 4:19-20

May God supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

This Week:

- Tuesday:** **Women's Bible Study** – 7:30 pm via Zoom
Thursday: **Men's Study Group** – 7 pm at Camp Olympic
Saturday: **Women's Bible Study** – 8 am via Zoom

Opportunities to Connect:

Bible Studies (check your email for links if applicable)

- Women's Bible Study, Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
- Men's Study Group, Thursdays at 7 pm at Camp Olympic
- Women's Bible Study on Matthew, Saturdays at 8 am

Library – Family Tote Bags are available in the narthex. As part of our summer reading program, we are aiming to read 100,000 minutes! Please send your total minutes for the week to Liz Ziegenfus - 484-522-4826 or wzeiegenfus@gmail.com. Check your email for a list of recommended reading and to find out more about the Library concierge service.

Men's Study: Chosen By God – Over the summer we are inviting the men to join us for an online study course through Ligonier ministries. A new lesson will be available each week and you can take the class completely online or join us on Thursday nights to discuss the material. To sign up visit westvalleypres.org/studygroup.

Opportunities to Serve:

Help needed! Ushers & Slides – now that we have moved back inside, we need volunteers to help usher or run the slides. If would like to serve in either of these ways let Mark know at mark@westvalleypres.org.

Bright Hope Pregnancy Support Centers

Baby Bottle Campaign - Bottles will be available for pick up on your way out of church after the service so you can collect change to support Bright Hope's ministry. Please return full bottles to the Welcome Desk.

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 neasure
- Diapers sizes: Newborn, size 5 and 6
- Baby Wipes

Feel free to bring these items on Sundays and drop them off at the welcome desk.

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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
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