



November 29th, 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 works all things together for good

Call to Worship: Psalm 47:6-7

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go
I rest my weary soul in thee
I give thee back the life I owe
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer fuller be

O light that followest all my way
I yield my flickering torch to thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter fairer be

O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:18-30

Prayer of Confession

**When you would guide me, I control myself
When you would be sovereign, I rule myself
When you would take care of me, I suffice myself
When I should depend on your provision, I supply myself
When I should submit to your providence, I follow my will
When I should study, love, honor, trust you, I serve myself
I fault and correct your laws to suit myself
Convince me that I cannot be my own God or make myself
happy. Take me to the cross and leave me there.**

Words of Assurance: Isaiah 54:9-10

"As I swore that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth, so I have sworn that I will not be angry with you, and will not rebuke you. For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

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.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 100

Message: Giving Thanks in 2020?

Mr Brian Stenson

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 forever.

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come Thou long-expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in Thee
Israel's Strength and Consolation
Hope of all the saints Thou art
Dear Desire of every nation
Joy of every longing heart

Joy to those who long to see thee
Dayspring from on high appear
come thou promised Rod of Jesse
of thy birth we long to hear
O'er the hills the angels singing
news glad tidings of a birth
Go to him your praises bringing
Christ the Lord has come to earth

Come, to earth to taste our sadness
he whose glories knew no end
by his life he brings us gladness
our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend
Leaving riches without number
born within a cattle stall
this the everlasting wonder
Christ was born the Lord of all

Born Thy people to deliver
Born a child, and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever
Now Thy precious kingdom bring
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone
By Thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

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: Micah 6:8

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Benediction: 1 Timothy 1:17

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

This Week:

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

Bible Studies: 1 Corinthians

One of the things that's been tested recently is our commitment to church. It's been hard to meet and hard to stay connected. In 1 Corinthians, God reminds us why the church is so important. He also helps us overcome our faults and failings as a church family. Check email for Zoom links.

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

Angel Network Food Drive - We are aiming to collect an *additional 100 boxes of mac & cheese* for the Angel Network which serves in-need families in the East Penn school district. Please place your contributions on the welcome desk. The deadline is *THIS Sunday, November 29th*.

Online Membership Class – Beginning in December, we will be holding an online membership class. This is for anyone who wants to know more about West Valley or who is considering becoming a member. The class will involve 3 self-paced videos and online discussion via Zoom. If you are interested, email Mark at mark@westvalleypres.org

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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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