



November 8th, 2020

West Valley Presbyterian Church

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

Called to Worship

This morning's theme: The Freedom That Comes Through Forgiveness

Call to Worship: Hebrews 10:19-22

Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood
Died He for me, who caused His pain,
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love how can it be
That Thou, My God shouldst die for me?

*Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, My God shouldst die for me?*

He left His Father's throne above
So free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself, so great His love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
For O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray.
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light:
My chains fell off, my heart was free
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my Living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine.
Bold I approach the eternal throne
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Scripture Reading: 1 John 1:5-10

Confessing our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Words of Assurance: 1 Peter 3:18

Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God.

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.

Receiving New Member

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

1 Corinthians 12:12

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save his sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and its peace?

Kids Ministry

Activities and teaching for PreK-K kids will be available during the sermon. Please take your kids out to the narthex during the next song then pick them up from the Fellowship Hall at the end of the service.

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer,
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath, I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

Rejoice the Lord is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and king adore;
Mortals give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules over earth and Heav'n,
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at God's right hand,
till all His foes submit.
And bow to his command
and fall beneath his feet.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Jesus the Judge shall come,
And take His servants up
To their eternal home.
We soon shall hear
the archangel's voice, the trump of God
shall sound, rejoice

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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 and 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.

This Week:

This Sunday: Launch of Parenting Seminar!

Tuesday: Women's Bible Study – 7:30 pm via Zoom

Thursday: Men's Bible Study – 7:30pm in the choir room

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.

- 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

Parenting Seminar – STARTS TODAY! –This seminar includes four self-paced video sessions by Paul David Tripp, as well as opportunities to discuss them with others. Sign up in the narthex today or by sending your name, email address and cell number to Chip at chipbuck76@gmail.com.

Operation Christmas Child – Pick up a shoe box in the narthex, along with instruction on how to fill it. Then bring it back by *Sunday, November 15th* or drop it off at a local pick-up center (see samaritanspurse.org/occ).

Angel Network Food Drive - We are aiming to collect 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 *Sunday, November 29th*.

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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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