



November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

*This morning's theme: One With Christ*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Matthew 11:28-29**

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

### **All I Have is Christ**

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.*

*Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

I once was lost in darkest night yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross  
And I beheld God's love displayed You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me now all I know is grace

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me  
Oh Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose  
And let my song forever be my only boast is You

### **Scripture Reading: Isaiah 54:4-8**

## Confessing our Sin

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God, gracious Father, we confess that we are not worthy of your presence, but we look now to the Lamb of God, who takes away our sin. Through him we would now come near to you, listening to your voice, trusting in your love, delighting in your word, and leaning on your arm. We joyfully beg to see your face! Now cleanse our minds of all error and our hearts of all idols, that we may shine in the world with the radiant light of your Spirit and your character. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance: Romans 8:1**

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Celebrating the Gospel

**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 earth Thou art  
Dear desire of ev'ry 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 gracious kingdom bring  
By Thine own eternal spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone  
By Thine all sufficient merit  
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

**Pastoral Prayer**

*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.**

**Kids Ministry** – *Sunday school will be available for PreK – 3rd grade during the sermon. Please take your kids into the narthex during the next song. They will be brought back into the service during the final song.*

**It's Finished, the Messiah Dies**

It's finished! The Messiah dies, cut off for sins, but not his own.  
Completed is the sacrifice, the great redeeming work is done.  
It's finished, all the debt is paid: justice divine is satisfied;  
The grand and full atonement made; God, for a guilty world, has died.

The temple curtain is torn down; the living way to heaven is seen.  
Through Christ the middle wall has gone, and all who will may enter in.  
The ancient shadows are fulfilled, the Scripture prophecies proved true,  
The sinless Lamb of God is killed, the promised covenant made new.

The reign of sin and death is done, and all may live from sin set free.  
Satan and his pretended throne, are swallowed up in victory.  
Saved from the curse of God I am; my Savior hangs upon the tree.  
See there the meek and silent Lamb! His final breath he breathes for me.

In Christ, accepted and brought near, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
I see the path to life made clear, and all your merits, Lord, are mine.  
Death, Hell and sin are now subdued; all grace is now to sinners given.  
And so I plead the atoning blood, and claim the title deeds of heaven.

Consecrated by the Word

**Scripture Reading: Romans 5:12-21**

**Message: Life In Christ**

Pastor Mark Howard

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### **He Will Hold Me Fast**

When I fear my faith will fail  
Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail  
He will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold  
through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold  
He must hold me fast

*He will hold me fast  
He will hold me fast  
For my Savior loves me so  
He will hold me fast*

Those He saves are His delight  
Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in his holy sight  
He will hold me fast  
He'll not let my soul be lost  
His promises shall last  
Bought by Him at such a cost  
He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died  
Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied  
He will hold me fast  
Raised with Him to endless life  
He will hold me fast  
'Till our faith is turned to sight  
when He comes at last

### **Arise My Soul Arise**

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;  
The bleeding sacrifice, on my behalf appears;  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
My name is written on His hands.

*Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise  
Arise, my soul, arise.  
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise  
Arise, my soul, arise.  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise*

He ever lives above, for me to intercede;  
His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead;  
His blood atoned for every race,  
His blood atoned for every race,  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary;  
They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me:  
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,  
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,  
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!”

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear;  
He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
With confidence I now draw nigh,  
And “Father, Abba, Father,” cry.

### **Tithes and Offerings**

*An offering box is available near the exit. Alternatively, please consider giving online at [westvalleypres.org/give](http://westvalleypres.org/give). For more info visit the “giving info” link on our website.*

## Compelled to Go Out

### **Commission & Benediction: Jude 20-21, 24-25**

Building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

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## This week:

- Tuesday:**      **Women's Bible Study** – 7:30pm in choir room
- Thursday:**    **Men's Bible Study** – 7:30pm in choir room
- Friday:**        **Prayer Call** – 7am (see details below)
- Saturday:**     **Vision Planning Session** – 9am-12pm in Fellowship Hall. Sign up now at [westvalleypres.org/vision](http://westvalleypres.org/vision)

## Announcements

**Young Adults Group** meets after the service THIS Sunday and every other week in *the Fellowship Hall*. This fall, we'll seek to become better equipped to share our faith.

**Youth Group** – Sundays at 6pm in the choir room. This fall we are studying Ezra.

### **Bible Studies: Ezra**

- *Women's Bible Study* – Tuesdays, 7:30pm & Saturdays, 8am
- *Men's Bible Study* – Thursdays, 7:30pm
- *Other fellowship groups* – contact the office for more info

**Friday Prayer Call** – *Every Friday, 7am*. Join us for this brief, 15-minute dial-in prayer time to focus your heart on the Lord and seek his help! Just dial 518-992-1099 and enter code 636625 on Fridays at 7am.

**New Online Directory** – Our new directory is available at [westvalleypres.org/directory](http://westvalleypres.org/directory) and in the Church Center App. The directory is 'opt-in' and by invitation only. If you didn't yet receive an invitation please email [office@westvalleypres.org](mailto:office@westvalleypres.org) to request one.

**The West Valley Library** will continue to feature books, both new additions and old favorites, on the table in the narthex to promote conversation and circulation. Books can be checked out at the table.

**Vision Planning – THIS Saturday, Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12pm** in the Fellowship Hall. This 'bubbling-up' session is a key step toward clarifying our priorities and forming our three-year Visible Vision. Childcare available. Sign-up now at [westvalleypres.org/vision](http://westvalleypres.org/vision) by THIS Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

This Month's Memory Verse

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. – Romans 6:23*

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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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