



May 9th, 2021

West Valley Presbyterian Church

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

Called to Worship

This morning's theme: Jesus Sets Us Free

Call to Worship: Psalm 68:4-6

Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the LORD; exult before him! Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. God settles the solitary in a home; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

And Can It Be

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest 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 quick'ning 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: John 8:31-36

Confessing our Sin

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 providence 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: Romans 8:1

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

God Be Merciful to Me

God be merciful to me
On thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion thou
Blot out my transgressions now
Wash me, Make me pure within
Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin

My transgressions I confess
Grief and guilt my soul oppress
I have sinned against thy grace
And provoked thee to thy face
I confess thy judgment just
Speechless I thy mercy trust

I am evil, born in sin
Thou desirest truth within
Thou alone my Savior art
Teach thy wisdom to my heart
Make me pure, thy grace bestow
Wash me whiter than the snow

Broken, humbled to the dust
By thy wrath and judgement just
Let my contrite heart rejoice
And in gladness hear thy voice
From my sins O hide thy face
Blot them out in boundless grace

Gracious God, my heart renew
Make my spirit right and true
Cast me not away from thee
Let thy Spirit dwell in me
Thy salvation's joy impart
Steadfast make my willing heart

Sinners then shall learn from me
And return O God to Thee
Savior all my guilt remove
And my tongue shall sing Thy love
Touch my silent lips O Lord
And my mouth shall praise accord

Declaring Our Faith: Ephesians 2:1-5

We were once dead in the trespasses and sins in which we once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace we have been saved!

My Worth is Not in What I Own

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love
At the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed
At the cross

*I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest Treasure,
Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him, no other.
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame, youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us
At the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ
At the cross

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed - my ransom paid
At the cross

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.

Consecrated by the Word

Scripture Reading: Psalm 107:10-16

Message: Love That Sets Us Free

Notes: _____

Over the next week:

- Discuss: Are there specific ways God has brought you joy when you've been in a dark place? Has He freed you from slavery to specific sins, or spared you from the consequences of your rebellious choices?
- If you haven't already, email elders@westvalleypres.org with a story about how you have experienced God's goodness in the last year

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all;
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
we'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all.

Oh Give Thanks (Psalm 107)

We were wand'ring in the desert with our souls so starved and weak.
We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek.
But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears;
And the God of mercy came and brought us near.

We were locked out of the garden, and our backs bent down with pain.
In the shadow of death's darkness, we were slaves to sin and blame.
Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears,
And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.

*Oh give thanks to the LORD for His love endures forever!
We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home,
To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter.
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!*

We were fools in our rebellion, with our hunger strike of pride.
We were sick and growing closer to the death we should have died.
Then he heard of our condition, and he called us by our names;
And the God of glory took away our shame.

We were far out on the ocean, making wealth and chasing dreams,
But the waves of great destruction brought us tremb'ling to our knees.
Then we cried like drunken sailors to the only One who hears,
And the God of comfort took away our fears.

Tithes and Offerings

An offering box is available near the exit. 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: Galatians 5:13

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR A MASK AND PHYSICALLY DISTANCE WHILE INSIDE THE BUILDING!

This week:

- Today:** **Youth Group** – 7pm in choir room
Monday: **Prayer Meeting** – 7pm-7:30pm via Zoom
Tuesday: **Women’s Bible Study: Daniel** – 7:30pm
Thursday: **Men’s Bible Study: Daniel** – 7:30pm
Friday: **Prayer Call** – 7am (see details below)
Saturday: **Women’s Bible Study: James** – 8 am via Zoom

Announcements

Young Adults Group - the young adults fellowship meets every other Sunday at 11am in the Fellowship Hall. For more info contact Anthony at falconeanthony525@gmail.com.

Youth Group – *Sundays, 7pm*. This evening the youth group will meet IN THE CHOIR ROOM to continue their study in the book of Daniel!

Online Prayer Meeting – *Every Monday, 7pm-7:30pm*. Email ellen@pearce.org for more info or check your email for the Zoom link.

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 515-604-9771 and enter code 636625 on Fridays at 7am.

Women’s Conference – *Friday, May 14, 6pm – Saturday, May 15, 2pm* for Biblical teaching on the elusive subject of *Contentment*. Join in-person or remotely. More info or sign up at westvalleypres.org/women.

Teachers Needed!!! As Kid’s Sunday School starts back up, we are in need of volunteer teachers. If you have taught in the past, or would like to try it out, please email Karen at wvpckids@westvalleypres.org or sign up after the service. Note: our child protection policy requires background checks for all volunteers.

WELCOME! *If you are new to West Valley, we are glad you joined us this morning. Please fill out our welcome card on your phone at westvalleypres.org/welcome.*

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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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