



July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

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*This morning's theme: Jesus' Absolute Authority*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 47:1-2**

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

### **Crown Him With Many Crowns**

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.  
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love, behold His hands and side,  
Those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends His burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace, whose pow'r a scepter sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.  
His reign shall know no end, and round His pierced feet  
Fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou has died for me;  
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

### **Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 6:4-9**

## Confessing our Sin

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength. We admit that our hearts are full of idols. Even when we worship you, we are half-hearted; our thoughts of you are too small; we make you in our own image rather than worship you in spirit and in truth. Thank you that you have saved us and make us true worshipers through Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, help us to offer our whole lives in heartfelt worship. In Jesus name, 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.

### Celebrating the Gospel

#### **His Mercy is More**

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Praise the Lord, his mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us  
His blood was the payment his life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

#### **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.**

#### **Kids Ministry**

*Activities and teaching for PreK-2 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.*

## **I Need Thee Every Hour**

I need Thee every hour  
Most gracious Lord  
No tender voice like Thine  
Can peace afford

*I need Thee, O I need Thee  
Every hour I need Thee  
O bless me now, my Savior  
I come to Thee*

I need Thee every hour  
Stay Thou nearby  
Temptations lose their power  
When Thou art nigh

I need thee ev'ry hour,  
In joy or pain.  
Come quickly and abide,  
Or life is vain.

I need thee ev'ry hour,  
Most holy One.  
Oh, make me thine indeed,  
Thou blessed Son!

Consecrated by the Word

### **Scripture Reading: The King Who Demands Our All**

#### **Message: Matthew 8:18-22**

#### **Outline:**

1. The Context of Crowds
2. The Consideration of the Cost
3. The Coming of a Crown

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**Grace That Is Greater**

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,  
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,  
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,  
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

*Grace, grace, God's grace,  
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
Grace, grace, God's grace,  
Grace that is greater than all our sin.*

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,  
What can avail to wash it away?  
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide;  
Whiter than snow you may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,  
Freely bestowed on all who believe;  
You that are longing to see his face,  
Will you this moment his grace receive?

### **Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee**

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Singing bird and flowing fountain  
call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
ever blessing, ever blessed,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,  
all who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other,  
lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus,  
which the morning stars began;  
Father love is reigning o'er us,  
brother love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us Sunward  
in the triumph song of life.

### **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.*

**Commission: Colossians 3:17**

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**Benediction: Ephesians 3:20-21**

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND SNACKS AFTER THE SERVICE!**

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***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](http://westvalleypres.org/welcome).*

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## This week:

- Today:**           **Membership Class** – 11am in the Studio (downstairs)
- Wednesday:** **Summer Open House** – 6pm-8pm at the Howard's
- Thursday:**   **Youth & Young Adult Game Night** – 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Friday:**       **Prayer Call** – 7am (see details below)
- Saturday:**    **Women's Bible Study** – 8 am via Zoom

## Announcements

**Membership Class** – Interested in finding out more about West Valley? Join us at 11am downstairs in the Studio for week 4 of this 5-week class. Each session last 45 minutes. For more info contact Pastor Mark.

**Summer Reading Program** – Check out the flyer on the library table in the narthex for information about our all-age Library reading program this summer!

**Summer Open House** – Join us THIS Wednesday, any time from 6pm-8pm at the Howards for snacks and fellowship. All ages welcome!

**Youth & Young Adults Game Night**– *Thursdays, 6:30-8:30pm.* Youth group and young adults are invites to join us every Thursday through the summer for a time of fun and fellowship.

**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.

**Teachers Needed!!!** If you have taught kid's Sunday School in the past, or would like to try it out, please email Karen at [wvkids@westvalleypres.org](mailto:wvkids@westvalleypres.org) or sign up after the service. Note: our child protection policy requires background checks for all volunteers.

**Security Update** – Please note that the Worship Entrance will be locked after the start of the service. If you arrive late, please use the main doors near the welcome desk.

**Congregational Meeting** – Following our service NEXT Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, we will be voting on electing Drew Damiani as a Deacon. If you have any questions, please contact [elders@westvalleypres.org](mailto:elders@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  
(Bethany's Wescosville Campus)  
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