



Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

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*This morning's theme: God's Great Mercy*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 145:8-9**

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

### **The Lord Is My Salvation**

The grace of God has reached for me  
And pulled me from the raging sea  
And I am safe on this solid ground  
The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls  
His strength will help me scale these walls  
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun  
The Lord is my salvation

*Who is like the Lord our God?  
Strong to save, faithful in love  
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won  
The Lord is my salvation*

My hope is hidden in the Lord  
He flow'rs each promise of His Word  
When winter fades I know spring will come  
The Lord is my salvation

In times of waiting, times of need  
When I know loss, when I am weak  
I know His grace will renew these days  
The Lord is my salvation

And when I reach my final day  
He will not leave me in the grave  
But I will rise, He will call me home  
The Lord is my salvation

### **Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10**

## Confessing our Sin

### **Prayer of Confession: From Psalm 51**

**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: Psalm 103:11-13**

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

## Celebrating the Gospel

### **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

### **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.*

### **How Deep The Father's Love For Us**

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure  
That he should give his only son, to make a wretch his treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns his face away  
As wounds which mar the chosen one, bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon the cross, my sin upon his shoulders  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ; his death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my ransom





## **The Compassion Hymn**

There is an everlasting kindness You lavished on us,  
When the radiance of heaven came to rescue the lost.  
You called the sheep without a shepherd to leave their distress,  
For Your streams of forgiveness and the shade of Your rest.

And with compassion for the hurting You reached out Your hand,  
As the lame ran to meet You and the dead breathed again.  
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow and shared in our tears;  
Heard the sigh of the weary, let the children draw near.

*What boundless love, what fathomless grace  
You have shown us, O God of compassion.  
Each day we live an offering of praise  
As we show to the world Your compassion.*

We stood beneath the cross of Calvary and gazed on Your face,  
At the thorns of oppression and wounds of disgrace;  
For surely You have borne our suffering and carried our grief,  
As You pardoned the scoffer and showed grace to the thief.

How beautiful the feet that carry this gospel of peace  
To the fields of injustice and the valleys of need;  
To be a voice of hope and healing, to answer the cries  
Of the hungry and helpless with the mercy of Christ.

## **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: 1 Peter 2:9-10**

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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## Announcements

**Youth & Young Adults** are invited to join us for boardgames & pizza after the worship service **TODAY from 11:00 to 2:00**.

**Youth Group** – Sundays at 6pm in the choir room. For more info contact Liz ([weziegenfus@gmail.com](mailto:weziegenfus@gmail.com)).

**Young Adults Group** meets after the service, every other week in *the Fellowship Hall*. This fall-winter, we'll seek to become better equipped to share our faith. Contact Anthony ([falconeanthony525@gmail.com](mailto:falconeanthony525@gmail.com)) for more info.

**Bible Studies**– This winter, we will be studying Nehemiah. Study guides will be available soon!

- *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.

**Membership Class** – *Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9am-12pm*. Want to learn more about West Valley? Interested in becoming a member? This short class is an opportunity to find out more. Sign-up now at [westvalleypres.org/class](http://westvalleypres.org/class).

**Community Read & Book Brunch** - The West Valley Library is pleased to announce our first Community Read. This month we are encouraging everyone to read *Gentle and Lowly* by Dane Ortlund. This book has been recommended by our elders. Free copies are available on the library table. Read the book this month then attend our Book Brunch on **January 30<sup>th</sup>**. After worship, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for casual conversation about the book over coffee and bagels. Questions? Contact Liz Ziegenfus ([weziegenfus@gmail.com](mailto:weziegenfus@gmail.com))

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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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