

This morning's theme: Growing in Grace

## Called to Worship

### Call to Worship: Psalm 68:32-35

O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord, to him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice. his mighty voice. Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies. Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!

#### O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer Greatest treasure of my longing soul My God, like You there is no other True delight is found in You alone Your grace, a well too deep to fathom Your love exceeds the heavens' reach Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom, My highest good and my unending need

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer Strong defender of my weary heart My sword to fight the cruel deceiver And my shield against his hateful darts My song, when enemies surround me My hope, when tides of sorrow rise My joy, when trials are abounding Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, Gracious Savior of my ruined life My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders In my place You suffered bled and died You rose, the grave and death are conquered You broke my bonds of sin and shame O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer May all my days bring glory to Your name

Scripture Reading: Colossians 1:9-14

### Confessing our Sin

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

#### Words of Assurance: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

### Celebrating the Gospel

### From the Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark O who shall stand before Thee?

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To wash away the crimson stain, Grace, grace alone availeth Our works, alas are all in vain, in much the best life faileth No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might And live alone by mercy And live alone by mercy

Therefore my trust is in the Lord and not in mine own merit On Him my soul shall rest, His word, upholds my fainting spirit His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support I wait for it with patience I wait for it with patience

What though I wait the livelong night and till the dawn appeareth My heart still trusteth in His might, it doubteth not nor feareth Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, ye of the Spirit born indeed And wait till God appeareth And wait till God appeareth

Though great our sins and sore our woes, his grace much more aboundeth His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth Our Shepherd good and true is He who will at last His Israel free From all their sin and sorrow From all their sin and sorrow

### Announcements (see p. 7)

#### **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.

<u>Greeting & Kids Ministry</u> – Sunday school is available for PreK – 3rd grade during the sermon. Please take your children to the narthex during the greeting time. They will be brought back before the end of the service.

### **Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul**

Dear refuge of my weary soul On Thee when sorrows rise On Thee when waves of trouble roll My fainting hope relies To Thee I tell each rising grief For Thou alone canst heal Thy Word can bring a sweet relief For every pain I feel

But oh when gloomy doubts prevail
I fear to call Thee mine
The springs of comfort seem to fail
And all my hopes decline
Yet gracious God where shall I flee
Thou art my only trust
And still my soul would cleave to Thee
Though prostrate in the dust

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face And shall I seek in vain And can the ear of sovereign grace Be deaf when I complain No still the ear of sovereign grace Attends the mourner's prayer Oh may I ever find access To breathe my sorrows there

Thy mercy seat is open still
Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will
And wait beneath Thy feet
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Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:23-2:3

### Consecrated by the Word

#### **Come Thou Fount**

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I've come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy grace, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

### O Worship the King

O worship the King all-glorious above, And gratefully sing His pow'r and His love: Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might and sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail. Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

#### **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 & 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.

**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.

### This week:

**Today: Youth Group** – 6:00pm in the choir room

**Tuesday:** Women's Bible Study – 7:30pm in the choir room

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

**Friday:** Prayer Call – 7:00am (see details below)

**Saturday:** Women's Bible Study – 8:00am via Zoom & at the

Stouts'

#### Announcements

Congregational Meeting & Church Lunch – Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> Join us after the service to hear more about our future plans and connect over lunch! The main course will be pulled pork; please sign-up for a salad, side, or dessert via westvalleypres.org/lunch.

**Indelible Grace Hymns & Stories Concert – June 11<sup>th</sup>, 7pm-9pm.** A unique evening of singing hymns together and sharing stories behind the hymns with Rev. Kevin Twit (founder of Indelible Grace Music) and his son Cooper. Sign up now at westvalleypres.org/concert.

**Baby Bottle Campaign** – Help raise support for Bright Hope Pregnancy Centers! Bottles will be available to pick up on the welcome desk and are due June 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth Group** – Sundays at 6:00pm in the choir room. For more info contact the Geigers at youth@westvalleypres.org.

**Young Adults Group** – meets next Sunday, after the service at the Foxes'. Contact Anthony (falconeanthony525@gmail.com) for info.

**Friday Prayer Call** – *Every Friday, 7:00am.* 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 7:00am.

**Volunteers Needed!** – Could you be part of a team to help run slides on Sundays? Training will be provided! If you are interested, email Daniel Kreycik at dkreycik@gmail.com.

### This Month's Memory Verse

The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. - Exodus 15:2

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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) www.westvalleypres.org | 610-421-8066 | PO Box 3741, Allentown, PA 18106