



November 6th, 2022

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: Growing Godly Character

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 29:1-2

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Come Ye Sinners

Come ye sinners poor and wretched
Weak and wounded sick and sore
Jesus ready stands to save you
Full of pity joined with power
He is able, He is able
He is willing; doubt no more

Come ye needy, come and welcome
God's free bounty glorify
True belief and true repentance
Every grace that brings you nigh
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy

Come ye weary heavy laden
Bruised and broken by the fall
If you tarry till you're better
You will never come at all
Not the righteous, not the righteous
Sinner Jesus came to call

Let not conscience make you linger
Nor of fitness fondly dream
All the fitness He requires
Is to feel your need of Him
This He gives you, this He gives you
Tis the Spirit's rising beam

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended
Pleads the merit of His blood
Venture on Him; venture wholly
Let no other trust intrude
None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 36:25-27

Confessing Our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, our Judge and Redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from You, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from You. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, passed by the hungry, the poor; and the oppressed. In Your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose Your will and obey Your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Words of Assurance: 2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

Interview with Chris & Ashlyn

Prayer For The Persecuted Church

For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death.

Philippians 1:19-20

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.

Greeting & Kids Ministry – *Sunday school is available for PreK- 4th grade kids. Please take your children to the narthex during the greeting time. They will be brought back before the end of the service.*

O Great God

O great God of highest heav'n
Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer every rebel pow'r
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me Yours forever more

I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life
Opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised
With my every thought and deed
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Consecrated by the Word

Scripture Reading: Colossians 2:20-3:11

Message: Growing Character

Pastor Mark Howard

Notes: _____

Discuss:

- *What does it mean to 'seek' or 'set your mind' on things above?*
- *What difference should this make to our everyday lives?*

Communion in Sacrament

Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. 1 Corinthians 11:28

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gracious Lord, we give you thanks for calling us out of the darkness and into your glorious light. When we remember the price you paid, the death of your only Son, we can only wonder and marvel at the greatness of your love. We give our lives to you Lord, and pray that through your Spirit you would teach us how to live according to your will. Send us out now to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of your mercy. We pray this in Jesus name. Amen.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go
I rest my weary soul in thee
I give thee back the life I owe
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer fuller be

O light that foll'west all my way
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter fairer be

O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

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: Ephesians 5:8

At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light.

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.

WELCOME! *If you are new to West Valley, we are glad you joined us this morning. Please scan this code or visit westvalleypres.org/welcome to fill out our welcome card.*



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This week:

- Today:** **Church Lunch** – 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall
 Youth Growth Group – 6:00pm in the choir room
 Prayer Night – 6-7:00pm in the Sanctuary
- Tuesday:** **Women’s Growth Group** – 7:30pm in choir room
- Wednesday:** **Kims’ Growth Group** – 7:00pm at the Kims’
- Thursday:** **Men’s Growth Group** – 7:30pm in choir room
- Saturday:** **Women’s Growth Group** – 8:00am via Zoom & at the Kims’

Announcements

Church Lunch – Everyone is invited to stay for lunch TODAY, after the service, downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

Prayer Night – TONIGHT, from 6:00-7:00pm in the Sanctuary, join us as we pray for the persecuted church and for Chris & Ashlyn.

Operation Christmas Child – Shoeboxes are available to pick up at the welcome desk. *They are due Sunday, November 13th*. Please speak with Karen Lyngdoh if you have any questions.

Angel Network Food Drive – We are aiming to collect *300 boxes of mac & cheese* for the Angel Network which serves in-need families in the East Penn school district. Please place your contributions on the welcome desk. The deadline is Sunday, November 27th.

Growth Groups

Growth Groups are small gatherings of Christians who are committed together to moving people toward maturity in Christ. We encourage everyone to join at least one group to explore God’s Word, pray together, and support one another. The following groups are meeting this fall. For more details visit westvalleypres.org/groups:

- **Young adults** – Every other Sunday, 12:00pm
- **Youth group** – Sundays, 6:00pm in the choir room
- **Women’s groups** – Tuesdays, 7:30pm & Saturdays, 8:00am
- **Men’s groups** – Thursdays, 7:30pm
- **Kim’s home group** (open to all) – Wednesdays, 7:00pm

The week's memory verse:

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. – Psalm 23:3 (NIV)

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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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