



January 1st, 2023

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: Hope in Christ

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 130:7-8

O Church, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem His people from all their iniquities.

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!

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Confessing Our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ you have given us a sure hope and future, yet we confess that we have set our hope on other things: money, family, success, pleasure. Forgive us for breaking your Law and putting these things ahead of you. By your Spirit, help us to set our hope fully on your promises and to lead holy lives as we await Christ's return. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Words of Assurance: Hebrews 6:19-20

We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf.

Celebrating the Gospel

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor
in the fury of the storm;
when the winds of doubt blow through me,
and my sails have all been torn.
In the suffering, in the sorrow,
when my sinking hopes are few,
I will hold fast to the anchor,
it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor
while the tempest rages on;
when temptation claims the battle,
and it seems the night has won.
Deeper still, then, goes the anchor,
though I justly stand accused;
I will hold fast to the anchor,
it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor,
through the floods of unbelief;
hopeless somehow, o my soul now,
lift your eyes to Calvary!
This my ballast of assurance,
see His love forever proved;
I will hold fast to the anchor,
it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor,
as we face the wave of death;
when these trials give way to glory,
as we draw our final breath.
We will cross that great horizon,
clouds behind and life secure;
and the calm will be the better,
for the storms that we endure.

Christ the sure of our salvation, ever faithful, ever true;
We will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Announcements

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.

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

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? O who shall stand before Thee?

To wash away the crimson stain, Grace, grace alone availeth
Our works, alas are all in vain, in much the best life failleth
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

In You O Lord I am Found

O Lord, you know me and search me out:
My habits and thoughts, my secret doubts,
My dreams at night, the words of my mouth.

*In you, O Lord, I am found;
Oh, in you, O Lord, I am found.*

I know not all my own heart and mind,
My wandering soul, my sleepless eyes;
I long for you but from you I hide.

Though darkness covers my hope and sight
And night overtakes my troubled mind
In darkness you, my Daylight will shine

Before my birth, you composed my frame.
You gazed in my eyes and knew my name;
You wrote with love each one of my days.

Where can I run from your love so deep,
So boundless and strong, so rich, so free?
No height, nor depth can separate me:

Communion in Sacrament

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.

Rejoice the Lord is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and king adore;
Mortals give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore;

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above;

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and Heav'n,
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n;

He sits at God's right hand,
till all His foes submit.
And bow to his command
and fall beneath his feet.

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Jesus the Judge shall come,
And take His servants up
To their eternal home.
We soon shall hear the archangel's voice,
the trump of God shall sound, rejoice

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: 1 Peter 1:13

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Benediction: Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

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.*



This week:

- Today:** **Zoom Prayer Meeting** – 8:00pm-8:30pm (see below)
- Wednesday:** **Kims' Growth Group** – 7:00pm at the Kims'
- Saturday:** **Women's Growth Group** – 8:00am via Zoom & at the Kims'

Announcements

Sunday School Pilot – Beginning Sunday, January 15th we will be trialing an adults and kids Sunday School program from 9am-9:45am. Watch this space for more information!

Sunday Zoom Prayer Meeting - Every Sunday from 8:00pm-8:30pm, join us via Zoom to pray for the world, the nation, and the church. Dial (646) 558-8656 and enter meeting code 820 8319 4443.

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

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The week's memory verse:

Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. – Psalm 23:6 (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

10:00am at 1208 Brookside Rd, Wescosville
(Bethany's Wescosville Campus)

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