This morning's theme: Jesus Gives Us Life

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

All: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Nothing But the Blood

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus

For my cleansing, this I see. Nothing but the blood of Jesus For my pardon this my plea. Nothing but the blood of Jesus Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus

Nothing can for sin atone. Nothing but the blood of Jesus Naught of good that I have done. Nothing but the blood of Jesus Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus

This is all my hope and peace. Nothing but the blood of Jesus This is all my righteousness. Nothing but the blood of Jesus Oh! precious is the flow that makes me white as snow No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus

Scripture Reading:

Confessing Our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us. And grant, O merciful Father, for Jesus' sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and joyful life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Words of Assurance: 1 Peter 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Celebrating the Gospel

Alas and Did My Savior Bleed

Alas! and did my Savior bleed, And did my Sovereign die! Would he devote that sacred head For such a worm as I!

Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree! Amazing pity! grace unknown! And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide, And shut his glories in, When Christ, the mighty Maker, died For man the creature's sin.

Thus might I hide my blushing face While his dear cross appears; Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, And melt mine eyes in tears.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay The debt of love I owe; Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'Tis all that I can do.

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.

<u>Greeting & Kids Ministry</u> – 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.

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

Consecrated by the Word

<u>Scripture Reading</u> : John 1:1-18	
Message: Seeing the Unseen God	Pastor Mark Howard

Across the Lands

You're the Word of God the Father From before the world began. Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet Has been fashioned by Your hand. All creation holds together By the power of Your voice. Let the skies declare Your glory; Let the land and seas rejoice!

You're the Author of creation; You're the Lord of ev'ry man; And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.

Yet You left the gaze of angels, Came to seek and save the lost, And exchanged the joy of heaven For the anguish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the hungry; With a word You calmed the sea; Yet how silently You suffered That the guilty may go free!

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting vict'ry from the grave,
And ascended into heaven,
Leading captives in Your way.
Now You stand before the Father,
Interceding for Your own;
From each tribe and tongue and nation,
You are leading sinners home!

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: Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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: Youth Growth Group – 6:00pm in the choir room

Prayer Meeting – 6:00pm-7:00pm in the Sanctuary

Wednesday: **Kims' Growth Group** – 7:00pm at the Kims'

Saturday: Women's Growth Group – 8:00am via Zoom & at

the Kims'

Next Sunday: Adults & Kids Sunday School – 9:00am-9:45am

(kids drop-off begins at 8:45am)

Announcements

Sunday Prayer Meeting - Join us in-person this Sunday, January 8th from 6:00-7:00pm. We'll be praying for our three 'build' priorities: specifically our Sunday School pilot, Growth Groups, and our evangelism and hospitality teams.

Sunday School Pilot – NEXT SUNDAY we will be trialing an adults and kids Sunday School program from 9am-9:45am. More information and a FAQ will be available after the service.

Growth Group Leader Training – Save the dates of Saturday, February 11th and Saturday, February 25th from 9:00am – 12:00pm. These sessions are for any current leaders, or anyone interested in leading a growth group.

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:

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

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