



February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

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*This morning's theme: The Supremacy of Christ*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 99:1-3**

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

### **Be Thou My Vision**

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my Light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee, and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and al-ways;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

### **Scripture Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4**

## Confessing Our Sin

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty Father, When you would guide me I control myself; when you would be sovereign I rule myself; when you would take care of me I suffice myself; when I should depend on your provision I supply myself; when I should submit to your providence I follow my will; when I should study, love, honor, trust you, I serve myself. I fault and correct your laws to suit myself. Convince me that I cannot be my own God or make myself happy. Take me to the cross and leave me there.**

**Words of Assurance: 1 Corinthians 1:27-31**

God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Celebrating the Gospel

**Lord From Sorrows Deep I Call**

Lord, from sorrows deep I call, When my hope is shaken  
Torn and ruined from the fall, Hear my desperation  
For so long I've pled and prayed, "God, come to my rescue"  
Even so, the thorn remains, Still my heart will praise You

Storms within my troubled soul, Questions without answers  
On my faith these billows roll, God, be now my shelter  
Why are you cast down, my soul? Hope in Him who saves you  
When the fires have all grown cold, Cause this heart to praise You

*Oh, my soul, put your hope in God  
My Help, my Rock, I will praise Him  
Sing, oh sing, through the raging storm  
You're still my God, my Salvation*

Should my life be torn from me, Every worldly pleasure  
When all I possess is grief, God, be then my treasure  
Be my vision in the night, Be my hope and refuge  
Till my faith is turned to sight, Lord, my heart will praise You

**Declaring Our Faith: From Philippians 2**

**Jesus Christ, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be exploited; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

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**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 time. They will be brought back before the end of the service.*

**Psalm 34 (Taste & See)**

*Magnify the Lord with me  
Come exalt His name together  
Glorify the Lord with me  
Come exalt His name forever*

I sought the Lord and He answered me  
And delivered me from every fear  
Those who look on Him are radiant  
They'll never be ashamed, They'll never be ashamed

This poor man cried and the Lord heard me  
And saved me from my enemies  
The son of God surrounds his saints  
He will deliver them, He will deliver them

Oh taste and see that the Lord is good  
Oh blessed is He who hides in him  
Oh fear the Lord all of you saints  
He'll give you everything, He'll give you everything

Consecrated by the Word

**Scripture Reading: John 3:22-31**

**Message: The Final Word**

**Pastor Mark Howard**

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## **Man of Sorrows**

Man of Sorrows what a name  
For the Son of God, who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim  
Hallelujah What a Savior

Bearing shame and scoffing rude  
In my place condemned He stood  
Sealed my pardon with His blood  
Hallelujah What a Savior

Guilty, vile, and helpless we  
Spotless Lamb of God was He  
“Full atonement!” can it be  
Hallelujah What a Savior

Lifted up was He to die  
“It is finished!” was His cry  
Now in Heav’n exalted high  
Hallelujah What a Savior

When He comes, our glorious King  
All His ransomed home to bring  
Then anew His song we’ll sing  
Hallelujah What a Savior

## 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.**

### **We Will Feast in the House of Zion**

*We will feast in the house of Zion.  
We will sing with our hearts restored.  
“He has done great things,” we will say together.  
We will feast, and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire,  
He is the Lord our God.  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night before the dawn  
My soul be not afraid;  
For the promised morning, Oh how long!  
O God of Jacob, be my strength!

Every vow we've broken and betrayed,  
You are the faithful One;  
And from the garden to the grave,  
Bind us together, bring shalom.

### **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: Colossians 3:17**

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

### **Benediction: 1 Timothy 6:15-16**

He is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

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***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](http://westvalleypres.org/welcome) to fill out our welcome card.*



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## This week:

- Today:**           **Youth Growth Group** – 6:00pm in the choir room  
                          **Zoom Prayer Meeting** – 8:00pm-8:30pm (see below)
- Tuesday:**       **Kims' Growth Group** – 7:00pm at the Kims'  
                          **Women's Growth Group** – 7:30pm in the choir room
- Thursday:**      **Men's Growth Group** – 7:30pm in the choir room
- Friday:**         **Women's Group** – 9:30am at the Goonewardenes'
- Saturday:**      **Women's Growth Group** – 8:00am via Zoom & at  
                          the Kims'

## Announcements

**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 Group Leader Training** – *Our next training will be held on February 25<sup>th</sup>* from 9am – 12pm in Carlson Hall. Sign up now at [westvalleypres.org/training](http://westvalleypres.org/training).

**Sunday School Survey** – Scan this QR code or visit [westvalleypres.org/survey](http://westvalleypres.org/survey) to let us know what you thought of our recent Sunday School Pilot.



**Women's Soup & Psalms Event** – Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am-1:30pm at the Millers (3820 Larkspur Drive, Allentown). Please join us for a time of fellowship over delicious soups and then savor God's wonderful love to us in Psalm 103. This is a great opportunity to invite friends & neighbors! Kindly RSVP to Amy at 484-560-2758 ([gregthao@msn.com](mailto:gregthao@msn.com)).

The week's memory verse:

"No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us." 1 John 4:12

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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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