



March 5th, 2023

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: God's Harvest Field

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 67:1-5

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Let the Nations be Glad

Let the glory of the Lord forever be our joy
May redemption be the theme of our song
For by grace we have been saved
And by grace we shall proclaim
To the corners of the earth that Christ has come

*Let the nations be glad, let the people rejoice
For salvation belongs to our God
Let the whole earth be filled with the praises of the Lord
For salvation belongs to our God
Let the nations be glad*

Through the ages gone before
Through the trial and the sword
Many saints and martyrs conquered though they died
Still we're holding out the cross
Crossing oceans suffering loss
Shall endure all things to win the crown of life

As your holy church goes forth, in the Holy Spirit's power
With the glories of the Gospel to exclaim
Now we pray Your kingdom come
And we pray Your will be done
For the honor and the glory of Your name

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 49:5-6

Prayer of Confession

God of grace, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. By our actions and attitudes we condone what you condemn. Help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Words of Assurance: John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Celebrating the Gospel

The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten, then, nailed to a cross of wood.

*This, the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain, written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath
Quakes as its maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

Oh, to see my name, written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love.

*This, the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Declaring Our Faith: Psalm 86:8-13

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name. I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever. For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of the grave.

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Missions Interview: Megan Weik

Pastoral Prayer

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.*

'Tis Finished the Messiah Dies

It's finished! The Messiah dies,
cut off for sins, but not his own.
Completed is the sacrifice,
The great redeeming work is done.
It's finished, all the debt is paid:
Justice divine is satisfied;
The grand and full atonement made;
God, for a guilty world, has died.

The temple curtain is torn down;
The living way to heaven is seen.
Through Christ the middle wall has gone,
and all who will may enter in.
The ancient shadows are fulfilled,
The Scripture prophecies proved true,
The sinless Lamb of God is killed,
The promised covenant made new.

The reign of sin and death is done,
and all may live from sin set free.
Satan and his pretended throne,
Are swallowed up in victory.
Saved from the curse of God I am;
My Savior hangs upon the tree.
See there the meek and silent Lamb!
His final breath he breathes for me.

In Christ, accepted and brought near,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
I see the path to life made clear,
and all your merits, Lord, are mine.
Death, Hell and sin are now subdued;
all grace is now to sinners given.
And so I plead the atoning blood,
and claim the title deeds of heaven.

Consecrated by the Word

Scripture Reading: John 4:43-54

Message: True Faith

Pastor Mark Howard

Discuss:

- *When are you most tempted to evaluate life based only on what you see or experience? How does this effect your faith?*
- *Consider a challenge you are facing. What does God say in his Word that can help you face it with faith and confidence?*

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.

The Solid Rock

My Hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

*On Christ the solid rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils His lovely face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay

When He shall come with trumpet sound
O may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne

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: Matthew 10:37-38

Jesus said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Benediction: 1 Corinthians 1:7-9

May you not be lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:** **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.

Women's Soup & Psalms Event – Saturday, March 25th, 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).

Men's Event: Fools for Christ – Save the date for Saturday, April 1st. More information to follow.

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 | Every other Friday, 9:30am (*March 10th & 24th*)
- **Men's groups** – Thursdays, 7:30pm
- **Kim's home group** (open to all) – Tuesdays, 7:00pm

The week's memory verse:

"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgement, but has passed from death to life." John 5:24

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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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