

This morning's theme: God's Patience

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 145:13b -16

Leader: The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works. All: The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

Leader: The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

All: You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the King of creation O my soul, praise Him for He is thy health and salvation All ye who hear now to His temple draw near Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord! Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth Shelters thee under His wings Yea, so gently sustaineth Hast thou not seen How all your longings have been Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee Ponder anew what the Almighty can do If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him Let the Amen sound from His people again Gladly for ave we adore Him

Scripture Reading: Exodus 34:6-8

Confessing Our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

Words of Assurance: Ephesians 2:4-5

God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

Celebrating the Gospel

My Dwelling Place (Psalm 91)

My dwelling place is God Most High, My refuge and my fortress When plague and pestilence draw nigh, I'm hidden in His presence When terrors fall and arrows fly, His shield will be my safety When stones across my pathway lie, On angels' wings I'm carried

My dwelling place is God Most High, A present help in danger I rest secure in Love's pure light, Beneath My Master's favor He freed me from the fowler's snare, Where sin and shame had bound me Deceived I made my refuge there, Till fearless He came for me

Wonderful, powerful, My hope and my defender Mighty God, Emmanuel, My dwelling place forever

My dwelling place is God most High, I'll never seek another For I am His and He is mine, My heart He'll keep forever I know the Name on Whom I call, He promises to answer With life He satisfies my soul, And crowns me with His pleasure

Declaring Our Faith: Heidelberg Q#1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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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.

<u>Greeting & Kids Ministry</u> – 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.

Thou Lovely Source of True Delight

Thou lovely source of true delight Whom I unseen adore Unveil Thy beauties to my sight That I might love Thee more, Oh that I might love Thee more.

Thy glory o'er creation shines But in Thy sacred Word I read in fairer, brighter lines My bleeding, dying Lord, See my bleeding, dying Lord

'Tis here, whene'er my comforts droop And sin and sorrow rise Thy love with cheering beams of hope My fainting heart supplies, My fainting heart's supplied But ah! Too soon the pleasing scene Is clouded o'er with pain My gloomy fears rise dark between And I again complain, Oh and I again complain

Jesus, my Lord, my life, my light Oh come with blissful ray Break radiant through the shades of night And chase my fears away, Won't You chase my fears away

Then shall my soul with rapture trace The wonders of Thy love But the full glories of Thy face Are only known above, They are only known above

Scripture Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-11 **Message: Does God Care? Pastor Mark Howard**

Consecrated by the Word

Discuss:

- What do you find particularly discouraging about the state of the church and the world?
- How does Habakkuk 1:1-11 encourage us to see God at work, even amid these discouragements?

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord Is laid for your faith in His excellent word What more can he say than to you he hath said To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled

Fear not, I am with you oh be not dismayed For I am thy God and will still give thee aid I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters I call thee to go The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not, I will not desert to His foes That soul, though all Hell should endeavor to shake I'll never, no never, no never forsake

All Praise to Thee My God This Night

All praise to Thee, my God, this night, For all the blessings of the light! Keep me, O keep me, King of kings, Beneath Thine own almighty wings. Forgive me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that I this day have done, That with the world, myself, and Thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

O may my soul on Thee repose, And with sweet sleep mine eyelids close, Sleep that may me more vigorous make To serve my God when I awake

Teach me to live, that I may dread The grave as little as my bed. Teach me to die, that so I may Rise glorious at the judgment day.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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 1:22-23

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God.

Benediction: Acts 20:32

And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

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: Young Adults Growth Group – 12pm at the Moores'

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

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 Spring. 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) www.westvalleypres.org | 610-421-8066 | PO Box 3741, Allentown, PA 18106