



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

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

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*This morning's theme: God's Power*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 145:1-3**

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.  
Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

### **I Sing the Mighty Power of God**

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise  
That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day  
The moon shines full at His command and all the stars obey

I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food  
He formed the creatures with His Word and then pronounced them good  
Lord! How Thy wonders are displayed where'er I turn mine eye  
If I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky

There's not a plant or flower below but makes Thy glories known  
And clouds arise and tempests blow by order from Thy throne  
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care  
And everywhere that man can be thou God art present there

### **Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 10:6-10**

## Confessing Our Sin

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength. We admit that our hearts are full of idols. Even when we worship you, we are half-hearted; our thoughts of you are too small; we make you in our own image rather than worship you in spirit and in truth. Thank you that you have saved us and make us true worshipers through Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, help us to offer our whole lives in heartfelt worship. In Jesus name, Amen.**

### **Words of Assurance: Zephaniah 3:17**

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

**Lord Have Mercy**

For what we have done and left undone  
We fall on Your countless mercies  
For sins that are known and those unknown  
We call on Your name so holy  
For envy and pride, for closing our eyes  
For scorning our very neighbor  
In thought, word, and deed, we've failed You, our King  
How deeply we need a Savior

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy  
Lord have mercy on us  
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy  
Lord have mercy on us*

For what You have done, Your life of love  
You perfectly lived, we praise You  
Though tempted and tried, You fixed Your eyes  
You finished the work God gave You  
And there on the tree, a King among thieves  
You bled for a world's betrayal  
You loved to the end, our merciful friend  
How pure and forever faithful

For hearts that are cold for seizing control  
For scorning our very Maker  
In thought, word, and deed, we've failed You, our King  
How deeply we need a Savior

**Declaring Our Faith: 1 Chronicles 29:10-13**

**"Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name."**

**Announcements:** (page 7)

**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.*

**I’ll Not Be Shaken (Psalm 62)**

For God alone, I wait in silence;  
My soul is still before the Lord  
He is my rock and my salvation,  
My fortress strong; I trust in Him.

*I’ll not be shaken! I’ll not be shaken,  
For all my hope is in His love.  
From God alone comes my salvation;  
I wait and trust His steadfast love!*

Put not your hope in gain of riches;  
Seek not your rest in empty wealth.  
The rich are weak; the poor are mighty,  
Who turn to God alone for help.

Pour out your heart to God our refuge  
And trust in Him to hear you cry.  
No other hope will never fail you;  
No other love will not run dry.

**Consecrated by the Word**

**Scripture Reading: Habakkuk 1:12-2:5**

**Message: Watching & Waiting**

**Pastor Mark Howard**

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## **Come to the Feast**

Go to the Highways and hedges,  
go to the farthest of fields  
Go and compel, the sick and the well  
For our Father's house will be filled

Go to the streets of the city,  
bring in the crippled and blind  
All who would taste this banquet of grace  
Must come and waste no more time.

*Come to the feast, come to the table  
The great and the least, the rich and the poor  
Come to the feast, come to the table,  
Come and hunger no more*

In the robe of the lamb you'll be covered  
Dressed in his pure righteousness  
For all of your guilt, his blood it was spilt  
So come by your Father be blessed

## 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.**

### **A Mighty Fortress is Our God**

A mighty fortress is our God,  
a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He, amid the flood,  
of mortal ills prevailing:  
For still our ancient foe,  
doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great,  
and, armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,  
our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side,  
the Man of God's own choosing:  
Dost ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus, it is He;  
Lord Sab-a-oth, His Name,  
from age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,  
should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed,  
His truth to triumph through us:  
The prince of darkness grim,  
we tremble not for him  
His rage we can endure,  
for lo, his doom is sure,  
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers,  
no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours,  
through Him Who with us sideth:  
Let goods and kindred go,  
this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill:  
God's truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever.

### **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 & Benediction: Philippians 4:19-20**

May God supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. 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:**       **Kim’s 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 Soup & Psalms Event** – (see below)

## 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** – *THIS 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).

**Men’s Event: Fools for Christ** – Join us for breakfast, Bible teaching, discussion, and prayer on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 8:30am-10:30am. Sign up now at [westvalleypres.org/fools](http://westvalleypres.org/fools).

### 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](http://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 | Every other Friday, 9:30am (*March 24<sup>th</sup>*)
- **Men’s groups** – Thursdays, 7:30pm
- **Kim’s home group** (open to all) – Tuesdays, 7:00pm

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## 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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