



April 2nd, 2023

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: God's Goodness

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-3

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

O Worship the King

O worship the King all-glorious above,
And gratefully sing His pow'r and His love:
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might and sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail.
Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Scripture Reading: Matthew 21:1-11

Confessing Our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, every good and perfect gift is from above and comes down from You. We confess the times we have not acknowledged you or given you our thanks. We have taken your gifts for granted, and not worshiped and served You, the Giver. Thank you for the greatest gift of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whom there is redemption and forgiveness. For His sake, forgive us and cleanse us and make us thankful people. Amen.

Words of Assurance: Psalm 103:11-13

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

Celebrating the Gospel

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Declaring Our Faith: Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

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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.*

Living Waters

Are you thirsty, are you empty
Come and drink these living waters
Tired and broken, peace unspoken
Rest beside these living waters

Christ is calling, find refreshing
At the cross of living waters
Lay your life down, all the old gone
Rise up in these living waters

*There's a river that flows
With mercy and love
Bringing joy to the city of our God
There our hope is secure
Do not fear anymore
Praise the Lord of living waters*

Spirit moving, mercy washing
Healing in these living waters
Lead your children to the shore line
Life is in these living waters

Are you thirsty, are you empty
Come, and drink these living waters
Love, forgiveness, vast and boundless
Christ, He is our living waters

Discuss:

- *Habakkuk use various images describe God coming. Which do you find most striking? Why?*
- *Horror or hunger – which do you feel most deeply when you consider Christ’s return? Why?*

Grace that is Greater

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

*Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin.*

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
Points to the refuge, the mighty cross.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
Freely bestowed on all who believe;
You that are longing to see his face,
Will you this moment his grace receive?

Communion in Sacrament

Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. 1 Corinthians 11:28

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.

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

Nothing can for sin atone. Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Naught of good that I have done. 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

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 & Benediction: Ephesians 3:16-19

May God the Father, grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

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:** **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
- Friday:** **Good Friday Service** – 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
- Sunday:** **Easter Sunday!**

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.

Good Friday Service – THIS Friday, April 7th at 7:00 p.m. Join us for a short service of songs, Scripture readings, and a message that focuses our hearts on the crucified Savior. Consider inviting friends and neighbors to this service and/or Easter Sunday.

New Growth Group – Beginning April 12th the Howard’s will host a new Growth Group meeting on Wednesdays from 7pm-9pm.

Sunday School – Sunday, April 16th we will begin our adults and kids Sunday School program from 9am-9:45am. 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 | Every other Friday, 9:30am (*Upcoming dates: April 14th & 28th, May 12th & 26th*)
- **Men’s groups** – Thursdays, 7:30pm
- **Kim’s home group** – Tuesdays, 7:00pm
- **Howards’ home group** – Wednesdays, 7:00pm (begins April 12)

The week's memory verse:

“He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.” -Psalm 91:1

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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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