

This morning's theme: God's Amazing Grace

## Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 136:1-3

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good All: For His steadfast love endures forever

Leader: Give thanks to the God of gods

All: For his steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords

All: For his steadfast love endures forever

### All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam! O, praise Him! O, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O praise Him! Alleluia! Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice! O, praise Him! O, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness O praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One! O, praise Him! O, praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture Reading: Titus 2:11-14

# Confessing Our Sin

### **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in You there is an abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but You are rich and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith in You. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love, warm us, that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Words of Assurance: Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

### Celebrating the Gospel

#### **Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul**

Dear refuge of my weary soul On Thee when sorrows rise On Thee when waves of trouble roll My fainting hope relies To Thee I tell each rising grief For Thou alone canst heal Thy Word can bring a sweet relief For every pain I feel

But oh when gloomy doubts prevail
I fear to call Thee mine
The springs of comfort seem to fail
And all my hopes decline
Yet gracious God where shall I flee
Thou art my only trust
And still my soul would cleave to Thee
Though prostrate in the dust

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face And shall I seek in vain And can the ear of sovereign grace Be deaf when I complain No still the ear of sovereign grace Attends the mourner's prayer Oh may I ever find access To breathe my sorrows there Thy mercy seat is open still
Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will
And wait beneath Thy feet
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#### **Declaring Our Faith: Psalm 36:5-9 NIV**

Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep. You, Lord, preserve both people and animals. How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

#### **Announcements & 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 Time**

#### **Oh How Good It Is**

Oh how good it is when the family of God Dwells together in Spirit in faith and unity Where the bonds of peace of acceptance and love Are the fruit of His presence here among us

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord And with one heart we'll live out his word Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come For he dwells in the presence of his people Oh how good it is on this journey we share To rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn For the weak find strength the afflicted find grace When we offer the blessing of belonging

Oh how good it is to embrace his command To prefer one another forgive as he forgives When we live as one we all share in the love Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit

Scripture Reading: Genesis 4					
Message: Favor to the Unfavorable	Rev. Michael Goodlin				

Consecrated by the Word

#### Oh Give Thanks to the Lord (Psalm 107)

We were wand'ring in the desert with our souls so starved and weak. We were hungry for a homeland we did not know how to seek. But we lifted up our voices to the only One who hears; And the God of mercy came and brought us near.

We were locked out of the garden, and our backs bent down with pain. In the shadow of death's darkness, we were slaves to sin and blame. Then we cried out in our labor to the only One who hears, And the God of mercy wiped away our tears.

Oh give thanks to the LORD for His love endures forever! We were wandering and lost, and our Father brought us home, To a safe dwelling place, to a feast of joy and laughter. Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!

We were fools in our rebellion, with our hunger strike of pride. We were sick and growing closer to the death we should have died. Then he heard of our condition, and he called us by our names; And the God of glory took away our shame.

We were far out on the ocean, making wealth and chasing dreams, But the waves of great destruction brought us tremb'ling to our knees. Then we cried like drunken sailors to the only One who hears, And the God of comfort took away our fears.

## **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: Colossians 3:12-15

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And may the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which you were called in one body. Amen.

#### **Benediction: 2 Thessalonians 3:18**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Please clear the sanctuary and head downstairs for coffee and fellowship after the service.

**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.



### Weekly Growth Groups

**Sunday** – *Youth* – On break for the summer

**Monday** – Zoom Prayer Meeting – 7:00am (see below)

**Tuesday** – Kims' Group, 7:00pm

Women's, 7:30pm, in the choir room

\* Last Tuesday Women's Group before summer break\*

**Wednesday** – *Howards' Group*, 7:00pm

**Thursday** – *Men's*, 6:30am at the Wegmans on Tilghman St.

Men's, 7:30pm in the choir room

**Saturday** – *Women's*, contact the office for more info

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,

#### Announcements

**Prayer Call Change** – We are moving our weekly prayer call to *Mondays* from 7:00am-7:15am. It is now exclusively dial-in (**via phone only**) – call (646)-558-8656 and enter meeting code 820 8319 4443.

**Summer Sunday School** – Adults are welcome to join us next Sunday at 9:00am to discuss the book, *Rembrandt is in the Wind*. Kids' Sunday School will continue to meet before the service during the Summer.

**Diaper Drive** – Next Sunday (6/18) is the last day to bring in new packs of diapers! Please leave donations in the basket by the welcome desk.

The Armor of God is the theme of our 2023 Summer Reading Program! We are encouraging readers of all ages to participate in the following activities: Memorization Station, Book Raffle, Book Discussion of Rembrandt is in the Wind, and a field trip to the Philadelphia Museum of Art on Saturday, July 15th. Stop by the Library Table for more details!

**Text/Email Scams** - Many churches have recently been targeted by text and email scams. If you receive suspicious communication claiming to be from our leadership, please report it as spam or confirm it with the office before responding (office@westvalleypres.org).

### This Month's Memory Verse:

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Eph. 6:10-12

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