



September 3rd, 2023

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: God's Mighty Works

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Isaiah 40:28

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

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: Psalm 77:11-15

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.

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 – 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 & Prayer

I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.

1 Tim. 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

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all;
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and crown him Lord of all.

Discuss:

- Why do we struggle to remember what God has done for us in Christ?
- Are you relying on God's Word to bring change? What does this mean in practice?

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.

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 Sabaoth, 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 will 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. For more info visit the “giving info” link on our website.

Compelled to Go Out

Commission: Psalm 37:3-4

Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Benediction: Psalm 121:7-8

May the LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

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

Tuesday – *Kims' Home Group (starts 9/5)*, 7:30pm
Women's, 7:30pm (**starts 9/12**) in the choir room

Wednesday – *Howards' Home Group (starts 9/13)*, 7:00pm

Thursday – *Men's*, (**starts 9/7**) 6:30am at the Wegmans on
Tilghman St.
Men's, (**starts 9/7**) 7:00pm in the choir room

Friday – *Women's*, (**starts 9/15**), 9:30am, every other week at
the Goonewardenes'

Saturday – *Women's*, (**starts 9/16**) 9:00am

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. For details visit westvalleypres.org/groups.

Officer Nominations – We will be accepting nominations for new elders and deacons from today, Sunday, September 3rd to Sunday, September 17th. You can access the nomination form at westvalleypres.org/officers.

Sunday School – Adults are welcome to join us next Sunday in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00am where we will consider the qualifications and process for electing church officers. Kids' Sunday School will continue to meet at 9:00am.

Young Adults Growth Group - Our Young Adults Growth Group will resume meeting next Sunday, September 10th at the Foxes. Contact Anthony at falconeanthony525@gmail.com for more details.

Sunday Prayer Meeting - Join us next Sunday, September 10th at 6:00pm in the choir room to pray for the world, the nation, and the church.

Monday Prayer Call – Join us on Mondays from 7:00am-7:15am join us via Zoom to pray for the world, the nation, and the church. It is now exclusively dial-in (**via phone only**); call (646)-558-8656 and enter meeting code 820 8319 4443.

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This Month's Memory Verse:

"Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture." -Psalm 100:3

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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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