

This morning's theme: Strengthened by Grace

# Called to Worship

## Call to Worship: Psalm 68:32-35

O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord, to him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice. Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies. Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!

# 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 aye we adore Him

## Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

## Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Father, we confess that we have not trusted you with our whole heart; We have leaned on our own understanding and been wise in our own eyes; In our thoughts, words and deeds we have not acknowledged you and so our paths have been crooked before you. Forgive us our sins and teach us by you Spirit to fear you and to turn away from evil, to the glory of our Savior Jesus Christ. 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

## Thy Mercy

Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue Thy free grace alone from the first to the last Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here Sin would reduce me to utter despair But through Thy free goodness my spirits revive And He that first made me still keeps me alive

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart Dissolved by Thy goodness I fall to the ground And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found

Great Father of mercies Thy goodness I own And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine

## Declaring Our Faith:

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

### Announcements (page 7)

### **Prayer**

I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people. 1 Tim. 2:1–2

### <u>The Lord's Prayer</u>

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**

### Immortal, Invisible

Immortal, invisible God only wise In light inaccessible hid from our eyes Most blessed, most glorious the Ancient of Days Almighty, victorious Thy great name we praise

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light Nor wanting, nor wasting Thou rulest in might Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

To all, life thou givest to both great and small In all life thou livest the true life of all We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee Great Father of glory pure Father of light Thine angels adore Thee all veiling their sight All praise we would render O help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee

# Consecrated by the Word

Scripture Reading: Strengthening Grace	Mark Howard
Message: Exodus 17	

### Discuss:

- Has obedience to Christ ever led you to experience unmet needs or unexpected attacks?
- How can we be sure of God is with us when we face these challenges?

#### 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.

## <u>We Will Feast In The House Of Zion</u>

We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored. "He has done great things," we will say together. We will feast, and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God. We are not consumed by the flood Upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night before the dawn My soul be not afraid; For the promised morning, Oh how long! O God of Jacob, be my strength!

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful One; And from the garden to the grave, Bind us together, bring shalom.

## **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 Corinthians 15:58

My beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

### Benediction: 1 Peter 5:10-11

After you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**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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Weekly Growth Groups Sunday -Young Adults, after the service in the Fellowship Hall Tuesday -*Kims' Home Group*, 7:00pm Women's, 7:00pm in the choir room Wednesday – Lantzes' Home Group, 5:30pm Howards' Home Group, 7:00pm Thursday -Men's, 6:30am at the Wegmans on Tilghman St. *Men's*, 7:00pm in the choir room Friday -Women's, 9:30am, every other week at the Goonewardenes' (childcare available, please let Joanne know if needed). Upcoming dates: 2/9 Saturday -Women's, 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.

**Angel Network Drive** - Help us collect *200 bars of soap* for the Angel Network's Spring baskets to assist East Penn families. Please place donations on the Welcome Desk by March 10th.

**Sunday School** – 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall. The Adults' class will be working through the course "God's Big Picture". Kids' Sunday School will also meet at 9:00am.

**Prayer Meeting** – Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 6pm in choir room. Come and commit our building search and upcoming move to the Lord in prayer!

**Growth Group Leader Training** – Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you currently lead a group or interested in starting one, come and learn more about how to lead others to grow through God's Word.

**Monday Prayer Call** – Join us on Mondays from 7:00am-7:15am via Zoom to pray for the world, the nation, and the church. It is now exclusively dial-in; call (646)-558-8656 and enter meeting code 820 8319 4443. Contact Liz at weziegenfus@gmail.com for more info.

**Membership Class & Lunch** – Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> after the service. For everyone interested in learning more about membership at West Valley. Sign up now at westvalleypres.org/class. *I, therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.*– Ephesians 4:1-3

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