



April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

# West Valley Presbyterian Church

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*This morning's theme: God's Commitment to Lead His People*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 95:6-7**

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD,  
our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and  
the sheep of his hand. Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your  
hearts.

### **O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing**

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God,  
Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad,  
The honors of thy Name.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears,  
That bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin,  
He sets the pris'ner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean,  
His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, listening to his voice,  
New life the dead receive;  
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice;  
The humble poor believe.

### **Scripture Reading: Psalm 32**

**Prayer of Confession**

**When you would guide me I control myself; when you would be sovereign I rule myself; when you would take care of me I suffice myself; when I should depend on your provision I supply myself; when I should submit to your providence I follow my will; when I should study, love, honor, trust you, I serve myself. I fault and correct your laws to suit myself. Convince me that I cannot be my own God or make myself happy. Take me to the cross and leave me there.**

**Words of Assurance: Colossians 1:13-14**

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**Be Thou My Vision**

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my Light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee, and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

**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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**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**

**Our Great God**

Eternal God unchanging  
mysterious and unknown  
your boundless love unfailing  
in grace and mercy shown  
bright seraphim in endless flight  
around your glorious throne  
they raise their voices day and night  
in praise to you alone

*Hallelujah Glory be to Our great God  
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Lord we are weak and frail  
helpless in the storm  
surround us with your angels  
hold us in your arms  
our cold and ruthless enemy  
his pleasure is our harm  
rise up oh Lord and he will flee  
before our sovereign God



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*Discuss:*

- What are some current dangers or decisions where you need God to guard and guide you? Share these with a friend and ask them to pray for you.
- Does God promise peace and prosperity to Christians? If so, when? How does this truth challenge and encourage you?

**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](http://westvalleypres.org/give). For more info visit the “giving info” link on our website.*

## Compelled to Go Out

### **Commission: Romans 12:1-2**

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sister, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

### **Benediction: Romans 15:13**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope

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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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## Weekly Growth Groups

- Tuesday** – *Kims' Home Group, 7:00pm*  
*Women's, 7:00pm now meeting at the Ziegenfus home*
- 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: 4/19*
- 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](http://westvalleypres.org/groups).*

**New Meeting Time and Location** – Starting April 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be meeting at Church of the Good Shepherd, 135 Quarry Rd, Alburtis. Sunday school will begin at 1:30pm and worship will start at 2:30pm. Use QR code for directions and visit [westvalleypres.org/move](http://westvalleypres.org/move) for a brief FAQ.



**Fellowship Lunch**- Join us after the service today for lunch and fellowship downstairs followed by an Open House, 2:30pm at our new location Church of the Good Shepherd in Alburtis (see above).

**Sunday School Next Week** – There will be kids' Sunday School next week, 1:30pm at Church of the Good Shepherd, Alburtis. There is no adults' class but please join us for a time of fellowship.

**Women's Conference** – Remember to register for the Eastern PA Presbytery Women's conference on April 27<sup>th</sup>. We will be carpooling, so please contact Liz Ziegenfus if you need a ride. To register online go to [westvalleypres.org/conference](http://westvalleypres.org/conference).

**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 [wziegenfus@gmail.com](mailto:wziegenfus@gmail.com) for more info.

**Women's Bible Study Location Change** – The 7pm Tuesday Women's Bible study will meet at Liz Ziegenfus' house through the spring.

This Month's Memory Verse:

*Go Therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the ages. -Matthew 29:19-20*

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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**

2:30pm at 135 Quarry Rd, Alburtis  
(Church of the Good Shepherd)

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