



May 12th, 2024

West Valley Presbyterian Church

This morning's theme: Serving Christ Together

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 133

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes! It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

Come People Of The Risen King

Come people of the risen King
who delight to bring Him praise
Come all and tune your hearts to sing,
to the Morning Star of grace
From the shifting shadows of the earth
we will lift our eyes to Him
Where steady arms of mercy reach
to gather children in

*Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice. O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come, those whose joy is morning sun
and those weeping through the night
Come, those who tell of battles won,
and those struggling in the fight
For His perfect love will never change,
and His mercies never cease
But follow us through all our days,
with the certain hope of peace

Come, young and old from every land,
men and women of the faith
Come, those with full or empty hands,
find the riches of His grace
Over all the world His people sing,
shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age,
"Our God is all in all"!

Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:27-30

Prayer of Confession

We confess to You, Lord, what we are: we are not the people we like others to think we are; we are afraid to admit even to ourselves what lies in the depths of our souls. But we do not want to hide our true selves from You. We believe that You know us as we are, and yet You still love us. Help us not to shrink from self-knowledge; teach us to respect ourselves for Your sake; give us the courage to put our trust in Your guiding power. Raise us out of the paralysis of guilt and fear and take us into the freedom and energy of forgiven people. And for those who through long habit find forgiveness hard to accept, we ask that You would break their bondage and set them free. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance: Ephesians 5:2

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Celebrating the Gospel

The Solid Rock

My Hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

*On Christ the solid rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils His lovely face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay

When He shall come with trumpet sound
O may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne

Declaring Our Faith: *Psalm 90:1-4, 12-14*

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You return man to dust and say, “Return, O children of man!” For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom. Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants! Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Amen.

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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

A preschool class for kids 3-5 is available during the sermon. Please take your kids to the classroom marked ‘PreK’ during the greeting time.

Our God Our Help In Ages Past

Our God, our Help in ages past,
Our Hope for years to come,
Our Shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal Home.

Beneath the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received its frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

Discuss:

- What is your general attitude toward fellow Christians? Why?
- What are some practical steps you could take to cultivate the kind of attitude Paul expresses in our text today?

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 pr-fer one an-other for-give as he for-gives
When we live as one we all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father and the Spir-it

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.

Commission: 1 Peter 1:22-23

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God.

Benediction: Philippians 1:9-11

May your love abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. Amen.

WELCOME! *If you are new to West Valley, we are glad you joined us this afternoon. Please scan this code or visit 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, 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 at Church of The Good Shepherd
- Friday** – *Women's, 9:30am, every other week at the*
Goonewardenes' (childcare available, please let Joanne
know if needed). Upcoming dates: 5/17, 5/31
- Saturday** – *Women's, 9:00am (email Joy at ljclymer@gmail.com*
(for more details)

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.

Sunday School next week – Kids' and adult Sunday School takes place at 1:30pm. Our adults class meets in the Fellowship Hall and will continue to discuss the Sabbath.

Lawn Chairs and Fellowship – Check the weather and bring lawn chairs and blankets so you can fellowship outside and enjoy the spring!

Set-up Help – Would you be willing to serve on a rotation to help with set-up before the service? If so, email office@westvalleypres.org for more information.

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 for more info.

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

State Park Meet-ups – Gatherings are planned at Promised Land State Park on June 22 and Ricketts Glenn on July 27. Check the church email for more information or contact Alice Kim at agkim1997@gmail.com.

This Month's Memory Verse:

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us -Romans 5:8

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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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