

This morning's theme: Putting Jesus First

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 99:1-3

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim: let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!

O Worship The King

O worship the King all-glorious above, And gratefully sing His pow'r and His love: Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might and sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail. Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Confessing Our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Our Father in heaven, we confess that we have not honored your name; we have not sought your kingdom first; we have not done your will. Rather than depending on you, we have trusted in ourselves and sought help in other places. Through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, forgive us and cleanse us. By your Spirit, help us to love and obey you. In Jesus name, Amen.

Words of Assurance: Ephesians 1:7

In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.

Celebrating the Gospel

Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in me thine all in all

Jesus paid it all All to Him I owe Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow

Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and Thine alone Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim I'll wash my garments white In the blood of Calvary's Lamb

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete Jesus died my soul to save My lips shall still repeat

Declaring Our Faith: Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

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Receiving New Members

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 1 Cor 12:12

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.

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one Foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; She is his new creation by water and the Word. From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food. And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder, men see her sore oppressed, By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping, shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, She waits the consummation of peace for evermore; Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Consecrated by the Word

Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:27-30	Mark Howard
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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.

Jesus I My Cross Have Taken

Jesus, I my cross have taken, All to leave and follow Thee Destitute, despised, forsaken. Thou from hence my all shall be Perish every fond ambition, All I've sought or hoped or known Yet how rich is my condition, God and Heaven are still mine own

Let the world despise and leave me they have left my Savior too Human hearts and looks deceive me Thou art not like them untrue O while Thou dost smile upon me God of wisdom, love and might Foes may hate and friends disown me show Thy face and all is bright

Soul then know Thy full salvation rise o'er sin and fear and care Joy to find in every station something still to do or bear Think what Spirit dwells within thee, Think what Father's smiles are thine Think that Jesus died to win thee child of heaven, canst thou repine

Haste thee on from grace to glory armed by faith, and winged by prayer Heaven's eternal days before thee God's own hand shall guide us there Soon shall close thy earthly mission, swift shall pass thy pilgrim days Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise

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 & Benediction: Matthew 6:31-33

Do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

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.



Weekly Growth Groups

Tuesday – Kims' Home Group, 7:00pm

Women's, 7:00pm, at the Ziegenfus' home

Wednesday - Lantzes' Home Group, 5:30 pm

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

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.

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.

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

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