

This Sunday's Theme: Witnesses to Christ

Called to Worship

Call to Worship: Psalm 112:1-4

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

Psalm 34 (Taste and See)

I sought the Lord and He answered me And delivered me from every fear Those who look on Him are radiant They'll never be ashamed, They'll never be ashamed

This poor man cried and the Lord heard me And saved me from my enemies The son of God surrounds his saints He will deliver them, He will deliver them

Magnify the Lord with me Come exalt His name together glorify the Lord with me Come exalt His name forever

Oh taste and see that the Lord is good Oh blessed is He who hides in him Oh fear the Lord all of you saints He'll give you everything, He'll give you everything

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Scripture Reading: Acts 1:6-11

Confessing Our Sin

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Lord, we confess that we have not denied ourselves, taken up the cross and followed you. Instead, clinging to the things of this world and counting them dear, we have grown callous to the needs of the poor, the lonely and the suffering. We have not cared about those who are without Christ and without hope in this world. Lord forgive us for our offences and grant that by the power of your Spirit, we might live in light of your coming again. Amen.

Words of Assurance: 2 Corinthians 5:17

If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Celebrating the Gospel

Dear Refuge Of My Weary Soul

Dear refuge of my weary soul On Thee when sorrows rise On Thee when waves of trouble roll My fainting hope relies To Thee I tell each rising grief For Thou alone canst heal Thy Word can bring a sweet relief For every pain I feel

But oh when gloomy doubts prevail
I fear to call Thee mine
The springs of comfort seem to fail
And all my hopes decline
Yet gracious God where shall I flee
Thou art my only trust
And still my soul would cleave to Thee
Though prostrate in the dust

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face And shall I seek in vain And can the ear of sovereign grace Be deaf when I complain No still the ear of sovereign grace Attends the mourner's prayer Oh may I ever find access To breathe my sorrows there Thy mercy seat is open still
Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will
And wait beneath Thy feet
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Declaring Our Faith: Psalm 86:8-11

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name.

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.

All Glory Be To Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand No legacy survive Unless the Lord does raise the house In vain its builders strive To you who boast tomorrow's gain Tell me what is your life A mist that vanishes at dawn All glory be to Christ!

> All glory be to Christ our King! All glory be to Christ! His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ!

His will be done
His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ!

When on the day the great I am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall ere his people be
All glory be to Christ!

Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:12-18 Message: Jesus First in the World Mark Howard

Consecrated by the Word

Discuss:

- What are some of the things that hold us back from actively pursuing holiness?
- What different would it make in your home or workplace if you did everything without grumbling or complaining?

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.

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 prfer one another forgive as he forgives When we live as one we all share in the love Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit Commission

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: Acts 1:8

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

Benediction: 2 Corinthians 9:10

May he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food, supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.

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

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

Saturday – Women's, 9:00am

For more details visit westvalleypres.org/groups.

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

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. Call (646)-558-8656 and enter meeting code 820 8319 4443. Contact Ellen at ellen@pearce.org for more info.

Women's Breakfast – Join the West Valley ladies and bring a friend for food and fellowship on June 29th from 9-11am. The theme is "Lament and Praise." Check the flyer for more information.

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

Summer Open House – Starting in July, join us on Wednesdays any time from 6pm-8pm at the Howards for an informal time of snacks and fellowship. All ages welcome!

Church of the Good Shepherd have invited us to the following events:

- **VBS** on July 22nd-26th, 6pm-8:30pm. To sign-up, or to volunteer to help with decorations etc. email Melody at COGUCCVBS@gmail.com

This Month's Memory Verse:

I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. Romans 1:16

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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