



October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024

# WEST VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*This Sunday's Theme: God's Sustaining Grace*

## Called to Worship

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 18:2-3**

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

**I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.**

### **O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer**

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer  
Greatest treasure of my longing soul  
My God, like You there is no other  
True delight is found in You alone  
Your grace, a well too deep to fathom  
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach  
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom,  
My highest good and my unending need

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer  
Strong defender of my weary heart  
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver  
And my shield against his hateful darts  
My song, when enemies surround me  
My hope, when tides of sorrow rise  
My joy, when trials are abounding  
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
Gracious Savior of my ruined life  
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders  
In my place You suffered bled and died  
You rose, the grave and death are conquered  
You broke my bonds of sin and shame  
O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer  
May all my days bring glory to Your name

### **Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:1-3a**

**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: Romans 5:1-2**

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Celebrating the Gospel

**How Deep The Father's Love For Us**

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure  
That he should give his only son, to make a wretch his treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns his face away  
As wounds which mar the chosen one, bring many sons to glory

Behold the man upon the cross, my sin upon his shoulders  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ; his death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my ransom

**Declaring Our Faith: Psalm 103:8-14**

**The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.**

**Announcements** (page 7)

**Ministry Update: Deacons**

**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 ESTHER during the greeting time. Nursery is available in the GENESIS room. Children's bulletins based on the theme of the sermon are available at the back of church.*

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not  
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*

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*Morning by morning new mercies I see.*

*All I have needed Thy hand hath provided*

*Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.



## 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.**

### **On Jordan's Stormy Banks**

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand  
and cast a wishful eye  
to Canaan's fair and happy land  
where my possessions lie

*I am bound, I am bound  
I am bound for the promised land  
I am bound, I am bound  
I am bound for the promised land*

O'er all those wide extended plains  
shines one eternal day  
there God the Son forever reigns  
and scatters night away

No chilling winds or poisonous breath  
can reach that healthful shore  
sickness and sorrow, pain and death  
are felt and feared no more

When I shall reach that happy place  
I'll be forever blest  
for I shall see my Father's face  
and in his bosom rest

### **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.*

**Commission: 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: 1 Timothy 1:17**

May the LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

***Please join us for coffee and snacks after the service!***

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***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](http://westvalleypres.org/welcome) to fill out our welcome card.*



## Growth Groups

*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).*

- Tuesday** – *Kim Home Group, 7:00pm*  
*Women's, 7:00pm, at the Lyngdoh's home*
- Wednesday** – *Lantz Home Group, 5:30pm at the Geiger's home*  
*Howard 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 beginning 9/20*  
*at the Goonewardenes' (childcare available on request)*
- Saturday** – *Women's, 9:00am*  
*Young Adults (Monthly) - Oct 12, Nov 16*

**Sunday School** – Kids classes resume this week at 1:30pm. Next week the adults class will continue to explore our Union with Christ and how it motivated our outreach.

**Young Adult's Group Trip** – THIS Saturday October 12, 1pm-4pm at Grimm's Orchard. Contact Katie Goonewardene with any questions or if you need transportation ([katie.goonewardene.3@gmail.com](mailto:katie.goonewardene.3@gmail.com)).

**Church Lunch** – Join us BEFORE the service **NEXT Sunday**, 11:30am–1:30pm for a church lunch. Sign up to bring a side or dessert at [westvalleypres.org/lunch](http://westvalleypres.org/lunch).

**Monday Prayer Call** – Mondays from 7:00am-7:15am. Call (646)-558-8656 and enter meeting code 820 8319 4443. Contact Ellen at [ellen@pearce.org](mailto:ellen@pearce.org) for more info.

**Volunteers Needed for Coffee Set-up, Sound and Hospitality Team** – For the Sound Team contact Brian Klinetob at [bklinetob@gmail.com](mailto:bklinetob@gmail.com). For Coffee set-up and Hospitality Team email Marie Buonanno at [tmbuonanno@gmail.com](mailto:tmbuonanno@gmail.com).

**Congregational Meeting** – Following the service on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> we'll be reviewing our outreach plans and presenting the budget.

**Christmas Coffee House** – Saturday, December. 14<sup>th</sup>. Put this Outreach Event on your calendar and start inviting friends! The holidays get busy quickly. And they'll come if you're performing, decorating, or bringing refreshments! Contact Aiden Strickland, Sarah Stone or Alice Kim if you can help with any of these areas.

**This Month's Memory Verse:**

*But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.*

1 Peter 2:9

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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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