

JULY 24, 2022

PRAYERS  
*from  
the* OLD  
TESTAMENT

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## GATHERED BY GOD FOR WORSHIP

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*10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)*

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## SENT BY GOD

Song of Response

*Rock of Ages*

Blessing

<b>General Offering: July 11 - July 17 .....</b>	<b>\$ 15,290</b>
Weekly Budget Need .....	\$ 26,500
Last Week's Deficit .....	(\$ 11,210)
Budget Deficit (YTD) .....	(\$ 220,763)

***How are we doing?***

Offering income is not evenly distributed throughout the year.

So far, we've received **39.7%** of our annual budget.

On average, we've received **43.0%** of our budget by this time in the year.

**\$45,238** would bring us up to average.

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# READINGS

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

<sup>1</sup> It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;  
<sup>2</sup> to declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
and your faithfulness by night...

- Psalm 92:1-2 (English Standard Version)

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# SONGS

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## 10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

(Words & Music by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman, 2011)

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day, when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near, and my time has come;  
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (NICAEA)

(Words and Music by John Bacchus Dykes & Reginald Heber)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity

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# SONGS

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Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see.  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,  
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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### CONFESSION OF SIN

<sup>13</sup> "But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'"

- Luke 18:13 (*English Standard Version*)

### DECLARATION OF GRACE

<sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- Romans 8:35-39 (*English Standard Version*)

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# SONGS

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## LORD I NEED YOU

*(Words and Music by Christy Nockels, Daniel Carson, Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill, and Matt Maher, 2011)*

Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest.  
And without You, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.

*Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev'ry hour I need You.  
My one defense, my righteousness; oh, God, how I need You.*

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.  
Where grace is found is where You are.

And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.  
Where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.

*So, teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way.  
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You. Jesus, You're my hope and stay.  
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You. Jesus, You're my hope and stay.*

## YOUR ROYAL BLOOD

*(Words and Music by Rend Collective)*

What can wash away my sin? What can make me whole again?  
What can make me white as snow? Nothing but Your royal blood.

What can heal the heart of stone? What can resurrect these bones?  
There's no other fount I know. Nothing but Your royal blood.  
Nothing but Your royal blood.

*Your blood will never lose its power.  
Your blood will never lose.  
Your victory will stand forever.  
Your blood will never lose.*

This was won upon the Cross. This was written on His scars.  
This has made us conquerors: Nothing but Your royal blood, oh.  
Nothing but Your royal blood, oh!

*Now, by this we'll overcome! Now, by this we'll reach our home!  
Now, our sin and shame are gone. Only by Your royal blood!*

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## SCRIPTURE

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" <sup>4</sup>And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup>And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

<sup>8</sup>And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me." <sup>9</sup>And he said, "Go, and say to this people: 'Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive.' <sup>10</sup>Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed." <sup>11</sup>Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is a desolate waste, <sup>12</sup>and the Lord removes people far away, and the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land. <sup>13</sup>And though a tenth remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak, whose stump remains when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

- Isaiah 6:1-13 (*English Standard Version*)

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

(taken in part from the *Serendipity Study Bible for Groups*)

- What "volunteer" ministries have you engaged in? How were you recruited?
- King Uzziah represents stability to Judah; what does his death mean? Why do you think God chose this time to reveal himself to Isaiah?
- Imagine you are Isaiah. What do you tell a friend about what you saw, heard, felt, and smelled? (Read Isaiah 6:1-4)
- What questions about God's nature and purpose does this encounter raise for you?
- What makes Isaiah despair for his life and confess his sin? (Read Isaiah 6:5; Exodus 20:19, 33:20)
- Describe a time when everything around you was silent. What was it like? How did you feel? What did you hear? Can you remember what broke the silence?
- John 12:40-41 relates this vision to Jesus. How is Jesus' glory like the suffering and healing Isaiah saw?
- Why has God sent you into the world?

# SERMON OUTLINE

## When Silence Speaks

*Isaiah 6*

*The silence of death is palpable. (Isaiah 6:4-5)*

**If we listen in that silence, what does Isaiah's experience invite us to feel?**

**Isaiah's experience invites us to feel that death inwardly...** (Isaiah 6:5)

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**Isaiah's experience invites us to feel that death outwardly...** (Isaiah 6:5)

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**Isaiah's experience invites us to feel that death upwardly...** (Isaiah 6:5)

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# — REFLECTION QUOTES —

In the sayings of the Desert Fathers, we can distinguish three aspects of silence. All of them deepen and strengthen the central idea that silence is the mystery of the future world. First, silence makes us pilgrims. Secondly, silence guards the fire within. Thirdly, silence teaches us to speak.

- Henri J.M. Nouwen, *The Way of the Heart* (p. 49)

Solitude is thus the place of purification and transformation, the place of the great struggle and the great encounter. Solitude is not simply a means to an end. Solitude is its own end. It is the place where Christ remodels us in his own image and frees us from the victimizing compulsions of the world. Solitude is the place of our salvation. Hence, it is the place where we want to lead all who are seeking the light in this dark world.

- Henri J.M. Nouwen, *The Way of the Heart* (p. 32)



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## PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLE'S CREED

*Although not written by the apostles, the Apostle's Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated as a baptismal confession, probably in the second century, and developed into its present form by the sixth or seventh century.*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* ("catholic" means "world-wide" in scope rather than regional or sectarian)

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# SONGS

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## ROCK OF AGES

*(Words and Music by Edwin Othello Excell, Lowell Mason, and William Cowper)*

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;  
Let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands,  
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone, thou must save and thou alone.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FAMILY MEXICO LUNCH:** Help us welcome home our Family Mexico team with a potluck lunch. Today, after church at 11:30am. We hope to see you there!

**SUMMER PARK DATES:** Join other Valley Springs moms for fellowship and playtime for our kids. 9am-10:30am on July 26<sup>th</sup> (Maidu Regional Park), and August 2<sup>nd</sup> (Madera Park). Contact: Kara Miedema (karamiedema@gmail.com).

**WOMEN'S SUMMER NIGHTS:** Join other women from Valley Springs for an opportunity to enjoy time together at La Provence Restaurant (110 Diamond Creek Pl, Roseville). Meet on the front patio at 5pm on Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> for happy hour.

**END OF SUMMER BASH:** Close out the summer with your friends from Valley Springs! Cotton candy, snow cones, live music, and activities for the whole family. Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm. Sign up at [www.valleysprings.org](http://www.valleysprings.org) to bring your favorite side dish!

**WORK DAY:** Help us prepare our building for the onslaught of fall activities! On Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12pm, we could use some help with a few projects inside and outside our building. We'll be painting, cleaning, and taking care of a few other odds and ends! Good work clothes are recommended; we'll provide any necessary tools. Contact: Isaac Noschka ([isaac@valleysprings.org](mailto:isaac@valleysprings.org)).

**VALLEY SPRINGS CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL:** Our weekday preschool program for 3's, 4's, and 5-year-olds. Registration for the 2022-23 school year is open. See [www.valleyspringschristianpreschool.org](http://www.valleyspringschristianpreschool.org) or contact Danya Schulte: [danya@valleysprings.org](mailto:danya@valleysprings.org) / (916) 786-7670.

*For more information, visit [www.valleysprings.org](http://www.valleysprings.org)*

## OUR MISSION

Valley Springs Presbyterian Church is an intergenerational community of grace, learning to love God, and serve our world, together.

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