

May 14, 2023

HE IS RISEN

celebrate the savior

ORDER OF SERVICE

GATHERED BY GOD FOR WORSHIP

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General Offering: May 1 - May 7.....\$ 23,935

Weekly Budget Need..... \$ 26,500

Last Week's Deficit.....(\$ 2,565)

Budget Deficit (YTD).....(\$146,553)

How are we doing?

Offering income is not evenly distributed throughout the year.

So far, we've received **25.9%** of our annual budget.

On average, we've received **27.2%** of our budget by this time in the year.

\$17,185 would bring us up to average.

GIVE NOW



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READINGS

CALL TO WORSHIP

³⁰ I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving. ³¹ This will please the Lord more than an ox or a bull with horns and hoofs. ³² When the humble see it they will be glad; you who seek God, let your hearts revive. ³³ For the Lord hears the needy and does not despise his own people who are prisoners.

³⁴ Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that moves in them. ³⁵ For God will save Zion and build up the cities of Judah, and people shall dwell there and possess it...

- Psalm 69:30-35 (English Standard Version)

SONGS

ARISE MY SOUL, ARISE

(Words and Music by Charles Wesley and Kevin Twit, 1996)

Arise my soul, arise; shake off your guilty fears.
The bleeding sacrifice, on my behalf, appears.
Before the throne my surety stands, before the throne my surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

Arise, (arise,) arise, (arise.) Arise, arise, my soul arise.

Arise, (arise,) arise, (arise.) Arise, arise, my soul arise.

Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

He ever lives above for me to intercede,
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.
Forgive him, O forgive they cry, forgive him, O forgive they cry;
Don't let that ransomed sinner die!

My God is reconciled; His pard'ning voice I hear.
He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear.
With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh
And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

SONGS

PSALM 150 (PRAISE THE LORD)

(Words and Music by Matt Boswell and Matt Papa, 2020)

You made the starry hosts, You traced the mountain peaks,
You paint the evening skies with wonders.
The earth, it is Your throne from desert to the sea.
All nature testifies Your splendor.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, sing His greatness, all creation.
Praise the Lord, raise your voice, You heights and all you depths,
From furthest east to west, let everything that has breath praise the Lord.*

You reached into the dust, in love Your Spirit breathed.
You formed us in Your very likeness to know Your wondrous works,
To tell Your mighty deeds, to join the everlasting chorus.

Let symphonies resound, let drums and choirs ring out,
All heaven hear the sound of worship.
Let every nation bring its honors to the King,
A roar of harmonies eternal.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, sing His greatness, all creation.
Praise the Lord, raise your voice, You heights and all you depths,
From furthest east to west, You distant burning stars,
All creatures near and far, from sky to sea to shore,
Sing out forevermore, let everything that has breath praise the Lord.*

READINGS

CONFESSION OF SIN

⁸Do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. ⁹Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake!

- Psalm 79:8-9 *(English Standard Version)*

DECLARATION OF GRACE

⁸There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. ⁹All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. ¹⁰For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. ¹¹Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name. ¹²I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever. ¹³For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

- Psalm 86:8-13 *(English Standard Version)*

SONGS

COMPASSION HYMN

(Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend, 2008)

There is an everlasting kindness You lavished on us
When the radiance of heaven came to rescue the lost;
You called the sheep without a shepherd to leave their distress
For Your streams of forgiveness and the shade of Your rest.

And with compassion for the hurting, You reached out Your hand
As the lame ran to meet You and the dead breathed again;
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow and shared in our tears,
Heard the sigh of the weary, let the children draw near.

*What boundless love, what fathomless grace
You have shown us, O God of compassion!
Each day we live, an off'ring of praise
As we show to the world Your compassion.*

We stood beneath the cross of Calv'ry and gazed on Your face,
At the thorns of oppression and the wounds of disgrace;
For surely You have borne our suff'ring and carried our grief
As You pardoned the scoffer and showed grace to the thief.

How beautiful the feet that carry this gospel of peace
To the fields of injustice and the valleys of need
To be a voice of hope and healing, to answer the cries
Of the hungry and helpless with the mercy of Christ.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

(Words: Thomas O. Chisholm / Music: William M. Runyan)

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 hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
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!

READINGS

SCRIPTURE

¹Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence!³When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.⁴From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him.⁵You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?⁶We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.⁷There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.

⁸But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.⁹Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.¹⁰Your holy cities have become a wilderness; Zion has become a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation.¹¹Our holy and beautiful house, where our fathers praised you, has been burned by fire, and all our pleasant places have become ruins.¹²Will you restrain yourself at these things, O Lord? Will you keep silent, and afflict us so terribly?

- Isaiah 64 (English Standard Version)

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

- What illustrations come to mind about a father's love for his children? Consider movies or literature or a living example from your own father.
- What do blackout shades do for a room? What does it look like when blackout shades are lifted? What is Isaiah illustrating about God's work to rend the heavens and come down?
- Where in your life are you learning to cry out to God from a place of deep honesty? Describe something of the dynamic.
- How does your confession develop a depth as you draw near to God?
- Isaiah uses the image of a pot and a potter to describe the shaping grace of our Heavenly Father. Describe something of how you are being shaped at this moment. Where can you see this work within family members or other followers of Jesus?
- God's work done among his people has a witnessing effect. Describe that effect upon the world in general. How does God use this work to draw enemies to trust in God?

SERMON OUTLINE

You Are Our Father

Isaiah 64

Because God alone can rescue his children, his children must learn to cry out to him from a place of deep honesty...

Father, we ache for you to rend the heavens and come down to your children... (Isaiah 64:1-4)

Father, we ache for you to bring deep confession to your children... (Isaiah 64:5-7)

Father, we ache for you to extend shaping grace to your children... (Isaiah 64:8-12)

REFLECTION

QUOTES

When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving advice, solutions, or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a warm and tender hand. The friend who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in an hour of grief and bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with us the reality of our powerlessness, that is a friend who cares.

- Henri Nouwen, *Out of Solitude: Three Meditations on the Christian Life* (p. 38)

READINGS

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)

SONGS

YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

(Words and Music by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, and Michael Farren, 2018)

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.
There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.
For my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
For by my side the Savior, He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
For in my need, His power is displayed.

To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
The future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold: my sin has been defeated.
Jesus now, and ever, is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With ev'ry breath I long to follow Jesus,
For He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.
All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRONT PORCH DINER W/ ICC: What's better than a home-cooked meal? A home-cooked meal with your church family! Come join us on May 21st after service for a Front Porch Diner with the Iranian Christian Church (ICC). Please bring a main dish and a side dish OR a main dish and a dessert.

SUMMERFEST 2023: Our annual vacation Bible school is coming soon! Three nights, June 20th-22nd, 6pm-8:15pm, featuring dinner for everyone, worship, Bible lessons, crafts, and games. Register online at www.valleysprings.org/summerfest!

SUMMERFEST SOCIAL MEDIA CONTEST: Want to win a free registration to Summerfest? We're hosting a social media giveaway for one free Summerfest signup. To enter the contest, you must be following Valley Springs on Instagram and share the post to your story. Winners will be drawn and announced on Thursday, June 1st.

STAY CONNECTED: Want to connect with Valley Springs throughout the week? Follow us on social media! We are on Facebook (@ValleySpringsChurch) and Instagram (@vspcroseville). We also have community groups that you can connect with! If you need help getting connected, please reach out to Dana Allred (dana@valleysprings.org). Dana is our Coordinator of Connection and she would love to help you find fellowship.

JOSEPH'S STOREHOUSE: Our food pantry needs to be restocked! We need canned corn, canned peas, canned peaches, canned chicken, jelly, individually packaged snacks, soup, and pasta sauce. Drop off donations at the front desk.

For more information, visit 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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