

Sunday Service
September 15, 2024
9:30 am



West Valley Presbyterian Church
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Welcome



Call to Worship – Hardy Hemphill

Psalm 33:12-16, 20-22

Leader: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance.

People: From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind; from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth - he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do.

Leader: No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength.

People: We wait in hope for the Lord: he is our help and our shield.

Leader: In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

People: May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in you.

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Greetings & Announcements – Janet Russell

Prayers of the People – Bruce Ramirez

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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Habakkuk 1:12-2:20 NIV

¹² Lord, are you not from everlasting? My God, my Holy One, you will never die. You, Lord, have appointed them to execute judgment; you, my Rock, have ordained them to punish. ¹³ Your eyes are too pure to look on evil; you cannot tolerate wrongdoing. Why then do you tolerate the treacherous? Why are you silent while the wicked swallow up those more righteous than themselves? ¹⁴ You have made people like the fish in the sea, like the sea creatures that have no ruler. ¹⁵ The wicked foe pulls all of them up with hooks, he catches them in his net, he gathers them up in his dragnet; and so he rejoices and is glad. ¹⁶ Therefore he sacrifices to his net and burns incense to his dragnet, for by his net he lives in luxury and enjoys the choicest food. ¹⁷ Is he to keep on emptying his net, destroying nations without mercy? **2** I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint.

² Then the Lord replied: “Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. ³ For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay. ⁴ “See, the enemy is puffed up; his desires are not upright—but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness—⁵ indeed, wine betrays him; he is arrogant and never at rest. Because he is as greedy as the grave and like death is never satisfied, he gathers to himself all the nations and takes captive all the peoples. ⁶ “Will not all of them taunt him with ridicule and scorn, saying, “‘Woe to him who piles up stolen goods and makes himself wealthy by extortion! How long must this go on?’ ⁷ Will not your creditors suddenly arise? Will they not wake up and make you tremble? Then you will become their prey. ⁸ Because you have plundered many nations, the peoples who are left will plunder you. For you have shed human blood; you have destroyed lands and cities and everyone in them. ⁹ “Woe to him who builds his house by unjust gain, setting his nest on high to escape the clutches of ruin! ¹⁰ You have plotted the ruin of many peoples, shaming your own house and forfeiting your life. ¹¹ The stones of the wall will cry out, and the beams of the woodwork will echo it. ¹² “Woe to him who builds a city with bloodshed and establishes a town by injustice! ¹³ Has not the Lord Almighty determined that the people’s labor is only fuel for the fire, that the nations exhaust themselves for nothing? ¹⁴ For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁵ “Woe to him who gives drink to his neighbors, pouring it from the wineskin till they are drunk, so that he can gaze on their naked bodies! ¹⁶ You will be filled with shame instead of glory. Now it is your turn! Drink and let your nakedness be exposed! The cup from the Lord’s right hand is coming around to you, and disgrace will cover your glory. ¹⁷ The violence you have done to Lebanon will overwhelm you, and your destruction of animals will terrify you. For you have shed human blood; you have destroyed lands and cities and everyone in them. ¹⁸ “Of what value is an idol carved by a craftsman? Or an image that teaches lies? For the one who makes it trusts in his own creation; he makes idols that cannot speak. ¹⁹ Woe to him who says to wood, ‘Come to life!’ Or to lifeless stone, ‘Wake up!’ Can it give guidance? It is covered with gold and silver; there is no breath in it.” ²⁰ The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth be silent before him.

Everyone’s God

Rev. Janet Russell

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Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We will be celebrating All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 3. Please email your ideas for appreciating our saints to Lanette@wvpc.org.

Fellowship Calendar:

Sunday, September 15 - from 10:30-12 pm the **WVPC Crafts Boutique** will be having a **sale in Room 15**. The themes for this sale are Fall/Autumn. Please come to the sale to see lovely Fall/Autumn decorations, cards and other seasonally themed items. As usual, there will also be greeting cards for occasions celebrated throughout the year such as birthdays, weddings, new home, etc. You will also find some items that are not seasonally themed, such as jewelry, potpourri sachets, and other enjoyable items.

Saturday, September 28 – WVPC's monthly hosting of **The Refuge Homeless Ministry** offers a worship service and meal to the homeless. Want to volunteer to help out this month? Contact Janet or Greg Shaw for more information.

Sunday, September 29 – at 9:30 am meet in McHattie Hall. **5th Sunday 'Service Worship'** Brunch with projects for Compassion Week. Contact Nancy Hobbs for more information.

Saturday, October 5 – Scout & Member Workday starts at 9:30 am. Come assist with yardwork or interior organization and clean-up. Please donate drinks on the Sundays leading up to the Workday, for our thirsty workers. If you would like to donate healthy snacks, please email Lanette@wvpc.org before 9/21/24.

Saturday, October 26 - Stop by our campus at 9:30 am to **catch up with Dennis and Karen Campbell**, visiting here until 11 am.

Coffee & Donuts:

September 15 – Bonnie Ngai

September 22 – Anna Brafchak

September 29 – Brunch in McHattie Hall & Compassion Week Projects

October 6 –