

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

MARCH 24, 2024

Welcome and Introduction

Call to Worship

1 John 1:3-4

Music

JESUS SHALL REIGN

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does His successive journeys run;
His kingdom spread from shore to shore,
Til moons shall wax and wane no more.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blessed.

Where He displays His healing power,
Death and the curse are known no more:
In Him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
Their grateful honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen!

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

"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. 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."

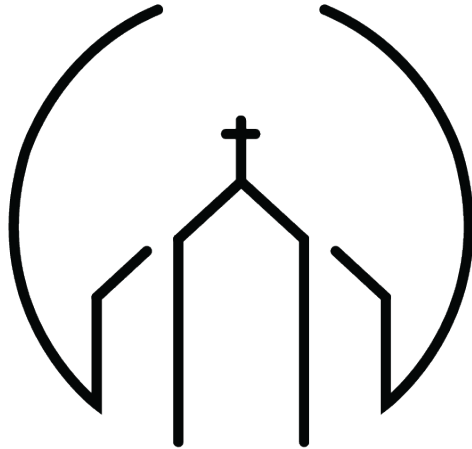
Sermon Text Reading:

1 Kings 22:41-53

Music

YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

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



VILLAGE
PRESBYTERIAN

**"WALKING IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD AND IN THE COMFORT OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT, IT MULTIPLIED" - ACTS 9:31**

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
 For by my side the Saviour he will stay
 I labour 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 every 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

Sermon: "Making Peace With Those At War With God"

1 Kings 22:41-53

Confession of Sin

"Almighty God, Heavenly Father. We thank you for your love and mercy and grace. We thank you for your patience and kindness towards us, your children, inside your covenant community. We thank you for the work of Jesus Christ to secure for us eternal life. And to bring us a perfect peace with you – our Heavenly Father.

But we do confess that in far too many ways, we are tempted to make peace with those who are at war with you. We are tempted to align ourselves and our ideas with those who reject you and deny your Son. We are tempted to strive for peace with your enemies more than we desire for the peace that passes understanding to fill our hearts and souls. And Lord, we confess that we have all been guilty of succumbing to these temptations in more ways than we even realize.

Lord, forgive us for our sins. Forgive us for the ways we align ourselves with those who are against you. Forgive us for desiring to receive commendation from those who are in the midst of provoking your anger, more than we

desire to serve those who love you deeply. For these, and all of our other sins, please forgive us. And thank you for granting us a perfect peace with you – our Heavenly Father – which has come to us only by the work of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen!"

Music

THE RISEN CHRIST

O breath of God, come fill this place;
 Revive our hearts to know Your grace;
 And from our slumber make us rise
 That we may know the Risen Christ.

O word of God, so clear and true,
 Renew our minds to trust in You;
 And give to us the bread of life
 That we may know the Risen Christ.

O love of God, so unrestrained,
 Refresh our souls in Jesus' name.
 Let us reflect Your sacrifice
 That we may know the Risen Christ.

May God the Father, God the Son,
 And God the Spirit make us one.
 In holiness let us unite
 That we may know the Risen Christ.

Assurance of the Gospel

John 14:27-29

Music

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

All the redeemed washed by His blood
 Come and rejoice in His great love
 O praise Him! Allelujah!
 Christ has defeated every sin
 Cast all your burdens now on Him

Chorus
 O praise Him! O praise Him!
 Allelujah! Allelujah! Allelujah!

He shall return in pow'r to reign
 Heaven and earth will join to say
 O praise Him! Allelujah!
 Then who shall fall on bended knee?
 All creatures of our God and King

Chorus

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*We do consider giving to be part of our worship to God, and it is our conviction that we make an option available — especially for our members. While we do not pass a plate during our worship services yet, we do have an offering box in the front that you may feel free to use. We also have an online giving platform available at our website: villagepres-verdae.com.