

Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church
Order Of Worship
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Meditation: Colossians 2:1-5

For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face, that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. I say this in order that no one may delude you with plausible arguments. For though I am absent in body, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the firmness of your faith in Christ.

Call to Worship: Colossians 2:6

L: Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving!

L: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Opening Hymn: 53 | Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, join me in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee! Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with his love he befriend thee.
4. Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee, decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief, spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly fore'er we adore him.

Pastoral Prayer Followed by 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. 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, for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon

L: Our good God and Father, we confess that we have placed more weight in our pious words than in our privilege to serve each other in love.

ALL: We have often found ourselves adding to the noise of this world as we chase our selfish ambitions and our feeble attempts to impress each other.

L: We have not been patient with our family members. We have not been kind to those under our care. We have looked down on others and have not cheerfully submitted to the guidance of our brothers and sisters in the Lord.

ALL: We have not forgiven as you have forgiven us. We have been slow to protect, reluctant to trust, passive in building hope, and have easily given up on those you have placed alongside us in the faith.

L: In short, we have failed to love your body and its members as you have commanded. We have avoided this most excellent way.

ALL: Please forgive us for Jesus' sake. [time of silent confession]

L: Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Sinner, you are forgiven. Be at rest because you are loved by Father, Son and Holy Spirit and will dwell with them forever in glory.

Song of Preparation: Before the Throne of God Above

1. Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea, a great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart. I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart, no tongue can bid me thence depart.
2. When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; for God, the just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me, to look on him and pardon me.
3. Behold him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness, the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace! One with himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by his blood! My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God, with Christ my Savior and my God.

Word: Psalm 139

1 O Lord, you have searched me and known me! **2** You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. **3** You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. **4** Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether. **5** You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. **6** Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it. **7** Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? **8** If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! **9** If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, **10** even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. **11** If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," **12** even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you. **13** For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. **14** I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. **15** My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. **16** Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. **17** How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! **18** If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still with you. **19** Oh that you would slay the wicked, O God! O men of blood, depart from me! **20** They speak against you with malicious intent; your enemies take your name in vain! **21** Do I not hate those who hate you, O Lord? And do I not loathe those who rise up against you? **22** I hate them with complete hatred; I count them my enemies. **23** Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! **24** And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Sermon: "The God Who Knows Me"

Song of Approach: 726 | Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

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Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me!

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. *Repeat*

Communion

Sending Hymn: 261 | What Wondrous Love is This

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
2. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM, while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, while millions join the theme, I will sing!
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be, and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through eternity I'll sing on!

Benediction: Romans 15:5-6

Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like minded one toward another according to Christ Jesus: That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ... so that all the peoples will say...

ALL: Amen. Our LORD is faithful. Praise the LORD!

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