Vision

To see lives transformed through following Jesus.



Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship November 21, 2021

Liturgist: Scott Kennedy | Sermon: Rev. Dennis Louis | Worship Leader: Scott Finch

Meditation: Psalm 68:19-27 | Reader: Emily Kueh

Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation. Our God is a God of salvation, and to God, the Lord, belong deliverances from death. But God will strike the heads of his enemies, the hairy crown of him who walks in his guilty ways. The Lord said, "I will bring them back from Bashan, I will bring them back from the depths of the sea, that you may strike your feet in their blood, that the tongues of your dogs may have their portion from the foe." Your procession is seen, O God, the procession of my God, my King, into the sanctuary—the singers in front, the musicians last, between them virgins playing tambourines: "Bless God in the great congregation, the Lord, O you who are of Israel's fountain!" There is Benjamin, the least of them, in the lead, the princes of Judah in their throng, the princes of Zebulun, the princes of Naphtali.

Call to Worship: Psalm 68:28-35

L: Summon your power, O God, the power, O God, by which you have worked for us. Because of your temple at Jerusalem kings shall bear gifts to you.

ALL: Rebuke the beasts that dwell among the reeds, the herd of bulls with the calves of the peoples. Trample underfoot those who lust after tribute; scatter the peoples who delight in war.

L: Nobles shall come from Egypt; Cush shall hasten to stretch out her hands to God. O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord, *Selah*

ALL: To him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

L: Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

ALL: Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!

L: This is the Word of the LORD.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Adoration: Fairest Lord Jesus | 170

- 1. Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
- 2. Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.
- 3. Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast.
- 4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and for evermore be thine.

Prayer of Adoration & 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, forever. Amen.

Public Reception of New Members

Song of the Month: Days of Elijah (see back cover)

Sermon: "Choose Wisely"

Word: 1 Peter 4

1 Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because whoever suffers in the body is done with sin. 2 As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. 3 For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. **4** They are surprised that you do not join them in their reckless, wild living, and they heap abuse on you. 5 But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. **6** For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to human standards in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit. 7 The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. 8 Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. 9 Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. 10 Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 11 If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn of Response: Jesus Paid It All | 308

1. I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small, child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."

Refrain: Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe; sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

- 2. Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone, can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone. [Refrain]
- 3. For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's lamb. [Refrain]
- 4. And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. [Refrain]

Communion

Doxological Hymn: Come Thou Almighty King | 101

- 1. Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.
- 2. Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.
- 3. Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.
- 4. To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

The Sending Hymn: This Is My Father's World | 111

- 1. This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears, all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.
- 2. This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise, the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise. This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.
- 3. This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet. This is my Father's world: the battle is not done; Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.

Benediction: I Thessalonians 3:11-13

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.... so that all the peoples will say...

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

Questions for Reflection on 1 Peter 4:1-11

- 1. According to 1 Peter 4:1, what kind of mindset ought the Christian possess?
- 2. What does Peter mean that, "those who suffered in the flesh have ceased from sin?"
- 3. Peter sets forth two ways to live: in the flesh (vs. 2) and in the spirit (vs. 6). What actions describe life in the flesh (vs. 3-4) and what actions describe life in the spirit (vs. 7-11)?
- 4. Why would first century non-Christians be surprised when first century Christians refrain from engaging in the same practices as them (vs. 2-3 will help to answer this question)?
- 5. Peter talks about judgment and the end of all things (vs. 5, 7). Why would Peter use judgment and the end of all things as motivation for pursuing life in the spirit?
- 6. Throughout the epistle Peter talks about the importance of love in community. Why is love such an important virtue for Christians (read 1 Peter 4:1 and 1 John 4:7-11)?
- 7. What is the biggest difference between life lived for the flesh and life lived in the spirit?

Today at CVPC

Youth Group: Youth will meet at 5:00pm.
Children's Choir: Children's Choir will meet at 5:30pm.
The Leavengood/Collins Growth Group is in Overflow this week.

House to House Fellowship will be today following the worship service.

Announcements

Monday Music: There will be no Monday Music this Monday (11/22) due to Thanksgiving break.

Baby Shower: All ladies are invited to celebrate with Ale Townes the soon arrival of baby Jack. Join us for a baby shower on Saturday, December 4 at 10:00am in the Manse. Diapers and wipes are welcomed. Please see Kelli Voyles, Ashlee Townes, or Alice Sikkema for more information and other gift ideas.

Advent Breakfasts: Our first Advent
Breakfast will be Sunday, December 5 at
9:00am, hosted by the Youth. Youth should
arrive by 7:30am to help cook. We will need
folks to assist with serving and cleaning up.
Griddles are also needed. Please see Laura
Dueitt to help.

Below is the full Advent Breakfast schedule:

Sunday, Dec. 5 | Hosted by CVPC Youth Sunday, Dec. 12 | Hosted by CVPC Men Sunday, Dec. 19 | Casserole Potluck

Lessons & Carols: Join us **Sunday, Dec. 12 at 5:00pm** in the church gym for a Lessons & Carols Service led by the Children's Choir. Singers should arrive by 4:30pm. Please bring a salty and sweet item to share.

Exam Cram Bags: We would love to show our support for our 30 college students and encourage them during this time by assembling Exam Cram Bags, filled with pre-packaged snacks and drinks to be enjoyed while studying. Please bring in snacks to the church foyer anytime between now and 9:00am on Sunday, December 12.

Poinsettias: If you are interested in purchasing one of the white poinsettias (\$20) in honor or memory of a loved one, please email Marsha at Secretary@chattvalleypca.com.

Happy Birthday

Please join CVPC in wishing a Happy Birthday for the month of November:

Bishop Henry & Audrey Dueitt | Nov. 15 Alexis Jones (Gotcha Day) | Nov. 15 Lois Leavengood, Linda Burnette, & Graeme Dueitt | Nov. 19 Edward Dueitt | Nov. 28

CVPC would like to wish a Happy Anniversary to Joe & Joli Moore, Paton & Jennie Williams, Josh & Kelly Henry, and David & Anne Marr.

Coming Up at CVPC

If you have questions or for more information, please contact the secretary at 706-820-2833 or via email at secretary@chattvalleypca.com

	Week of November 23-28	Week of November 24 - December 5
MONDAY	1PM: Food Network 4:30PM: Manse Reserved	3PM: Monday Music 4:30PM: Manse Reserved
TUESDAY		
WEDNESDAY	CVPC Office Closed	
THURSDAY	Thanksgiving Day	6PM: Trail Life
FRIDAY	CVPC Office Closed	
SATURDAY	7 & 8:30AM: Men's Study & Discipleship	10AM: Ale Townes Baby Shower (Manse)
SUNDAY	10:30AM: Worship	9AM: Advent Breakfast 10:30AM: Worship 4:30PM: Youth Christmas Party
Elder on Call	Scott Kennedy Scottkennedy@chattvalleypca.com	Albert Leavengood Albert@chattvalleypca.com
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Overflow	Voyles/Townes GG	Marr GG
Greeters	Sterkel Family	The Stewart Family
Youth	No Youth Group	Christmas Party
Nursery: SS	No Sunday School	No Sunday School
Nursery: Worship	Joe Moore, Jessica Hansen, & Robin Hansen	Leah Smith, Marie Fennema, & Sydney Ibach

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