



CHATTANOOGA VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Vision: To see lives transformed through following Jesus

Mission: Making disciples through worship, fellowship & service

Values: Worship, word, compassion & community

Order of Worship | December 25, 2022

Liturgist: Brad Voyles | Sermon: Rev. Dennis Louis

Worship Accompanist: Anne Marr

Praise Gathering

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; a world without end. Amen! Amen!

Invocation

Oh, Majestic Father, we are here today because your only begotten Son was willing to give up the glories of heaven and live as a man. He was born poor so that we can be rich. He was broken so that we can be healed. He was tortured so that we can live abundantly. Because he lives we are free from the guilt of sin and the power of Satan. Christ Jesus reigns and cannot be thwarted. He has given us your Holy Spirit so that we are enabled to walk humbly as your children. For these mighty acts we are gathered here to publicly give you heartfelt thanks. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Philippians 2:1-11 | Reader: Gareth Jones

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Call to Worship: Psalm 93

L: The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.

ALL: Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

L: Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

ALL: The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.

L: Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the Lord on high is mighty!

ALL: Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Song of Adoration: Hark, the Herald Angels Sing | 203

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies; with the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail the incarnate Deity, pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. !" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

3. Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, born that man no more may die, born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.!" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

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.

Confession of Faith: Adapted from The Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter 8:2-3

L: The Son of God, the second person of the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance and equal with the Father, did, when the fullness of time was come, take upon Him human nature, with all the essential properties, and common infirmities thereof, yet without sin; being conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the womb of the virgin Mary, of her substance.

ALL: So that two whole, perfect, and distinct natures, the Godhead and the manhood, were inseparably joined together in one person, without conversion, composition, or confusion. Which person is very God, and very man, yet one Christ, the only Mediator between God and man.

L: The Lord Jesus, in His human nature thus united to the divine, was sanctified, and anointed with the Holy Spirit, above measure, having in Him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge; in whom it pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell; to the end that, being holy, harmless, undefiled, and full of grace and truth, He might be thoroughly furnished to execute the office of a Mediator and Surety.

ALL: This office He took not unto Himself, but was thereunto called by His Father, who put all power and judgment into His hand, and gave Him commandment to execute the same.

Song of Preparation: It Came Upon A Midnight Clear | 200

1. It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, goodwill to men, from heaven's all-gracious King"; the world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

2. Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurled, and still, their heavenly music floats Over all the weary world: Above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hovering wing, and ever o'er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing.

3. And ye, beneath life's crushing load, whose forms are bending low, who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow, look now! For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing: O rest beside the weary road and hear the angels sing.

Song continued on the next page.

4. For lo, the days are hastening on, by prophet bards foretold, when with the over-circling years comes round the age of gold; when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling, and the whole world give back the song which now the angels sing.

Sermon: "Our Glorious King"

Word: Esther 10:1-3

Song of the Month: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (See page 8.)

Prayers of the People

Doxological Hymn: Praise the Savior Now and Ever | 243 (Stanza 4 with Amen)

For his favor, praise forever unto God the Father sing; praise the Savior, praise him ever, Son of God, our Lord, and King. Praise the Spirit; through Christ's merit, he doth us salvation bring. Amen.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

Sending Hymn: While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night | 223

1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground, the angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around, and glory shone around.
2. "Fear not," said he — for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind "glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind, to you and all mankind.
3. "To you, in David's town this day, is born of David's line, the Savior, who is Christ the Lord, and this shall be the sign, and this shall be the sign.
4. "The heav'nly babe you there shall find to human view displayed, all meanly wrapped in swathing bands, and in a manger laid, and in a manger laid."
5. Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith appeared a shining throng of angels praising God, who thus addressed their joyful song, addressed their joyful song:

Song continued on the next page.

6. "All glory be to God on high, and to the earth be peace: goodwill henceforth, from heaven to men, begin and never cease, begin and never cease!"

Benediction: Jude 1:24-25

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen... *so that all the people will say...*

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

Questions for Reflection: Ester 10:1-3

1. Read Esther 9. In what ways are the feast of Purim and Christmas similar?
2. In what ways do you see Mordecai as a type of Christ?
3. How has the message of God's providence shaped your understanding of your own life?

Today at CVPC

The **Chaplin/Staven/Wallick Growth Group** is in Overflow this week.

Please join CVPC in wishing a Happy Birthday to the following:

Cate Voyles | December 27

Ezekiel Dukes & Jordan Bruce | January 3

Kelli Voyles | January 10

Town Hall Meeting: Join us on Sunday, January 8, for the “Year in Review” Town Hall during Sunday School at 9:00am. Nursery will be provided.

Visitors, we invite you to connect with CVPC!

Scan this code with your phone’s camera. You’ll connect to CVPC’s ChurchConnect site.



Upcoming at CVPC

	December 26 - January 1	January 2-8
Monday		4:30PM Manse Reserved
Tuesday	7PM CE Meeting	7PM WLT Meeting
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	7AM Men's Bible Study	7AM Men's Bible Study
Sunday	10:30AM Worship	9AM Town Hall Meeting 10:30AM Worship 12PM Y'all Come Potluck Lunch
Elder on Call	davidmarr@chattvalleypca.com	
Deacon On Call	chrisgregory@chattvalleypca.com	
Overflow	Louis GG	Leavengood/Collins GG
Greeters	Granberry Family	Gross/Guthrie Family
Youth	No Youth Group	No Youth Group
Nursery: SS	No Sunday School	Jemima Ragland & Kelli Voyles
Nursery: Worship	Pam Kennedy, Ethan Kennedy, & Sydney Kennedy	Barb Michal, Krista Murphy, & Lexi Jones

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Stanzas 3 & 4 by Finch

♩ = 96

G(sus4) G D(sus4) D Bm D G(sus4) G



1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly for his bed a cat - tle stall; ox - en
2. Flocks were sleep - ing: shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing new; saw the
3. Christ of glo - ry, we im - plo - re thee; make us live as un - to thee. By your
4. Praise the Fa - ther who has known us e'vn be - fore the world was made; Praise the

6 G(sus4) G D(sus4) D Bm D G(sus4) G C(add2) C



low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ the babe, is Lord of all. Swift are wing - ing an - gels
glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true. Thus re - joic - ing, free from
Spir - it, pure and ho - ly, give us true hu - mil - i - ty. Grant us faith filled with com
Son He free - ly sent us as an act of sov - reign grace; Praise the Spir - it who was

11 D(add2) D Em(add2) Em D(sus4) D



sing - ing, no - els ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing: Christ the
sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row: Christ the
pas - sion. Lend us hope to show the na - tions; "Christ, in
giv - en as the seal of our re - demp - tion; Praise the

14 Bm D Em(add2) Em Bm D G(sus4) G(add2) G



babe is Lord of all. Christ the babe is Lord of all. _____
babe was born for you, Christ the babe was born for you. _____
love, has come for you." Christ, in love, has come for you." _____
Tri - une LORD of all. Praise the Tri - une LORD of all. _____