

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 | January 22, 2023 Liturgist: David Marr | Sermon: Dennis Louis Worship Leader: Scott Finch

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; world without end. Amen! Amen!

Invocation

Oh God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks this day for the unspeakable joy that is ours because of your Holy Spirit. In the midst of our circumstance, we can rejoice which is why you have drawn us here. Despite our sinful rebellion, you have looked on us in your great mercy. Empower us, in this hour, to see you at work in us by faith. We pray these things in your name and for your glory. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Ezekiel 34:25-31 | Reader: NAME

I will make with them a covenant of peace and banish wild beasts from the land, so that they may dwell securely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods. And I will make them and the places all around my hill a blessing, and I will send down the showers in their season; they shall be showers of blessing. And the trees of the field shall yield their fruit, and the earth shall yield its increase, and they shall be secure in their land. And they shall know that I am the Lord, when I break the bars of their yoke, and deliver them from the hand of those who enslaved them. They shall no more be a prey to the nations, nor shall the beasts of the land devour them. They shall dwell securely, and none shall make them afraid. And I will provide for them renowned plantations so that they shall no more be consumed with hunger in the land, and no longer suffer the reproach of the nations. And they shall know that I am the Lord their God with them, and that they, the house of Israel, are my people,

declares the Lord God. And you are my sheep, human sheep of my pasture, and I am your God, declares the Lord God."

Call to Worship: Psalm 96:7-13

L: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength! Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!

ALL: Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth! Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

L: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.

ALL: He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in his faithfulness.

L: This is the Word of the LORD!

ALL: Thanks be to God

Song of Adoration: My Hope is Built on Nothing Less | 521

- 1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.
- 2. When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.
- 3. His oath, his covenant, his blood, support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.
- 4. When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found; dressed in

his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

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: Belgic Confession - Article 14

L: We believe that God created human beings from the dust of the earth and made and formed them in his image and likeness— good, just, and holy; able by their will to conform in all things to the will of God. But when they were in honor they did not understand it and did not recognize their excellence. But they subjected themselves willingly to sin and consequently to death and the curse, lending their ear to the word of the devil.

ALL: For they transgressed the commandment of life, which they had received, and by their sin they separated themselves from God, who was their true life, having corrupted their entire nature. So they made themselves guilty and subject to physical and spiritual death, having become wicked, perverse, and corrupt in all their ways. They lost all their excellent gifts which they had received from God, and retained none of them except for small traces which are enough to make them inexcusable. Moreover, all the light in us is turned to darkness, as the Scripture teaches us: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." Here John calls the human race "darkness."

L: Therefore we reject everything taught to the contrary concerning human free will, since humans are nothing but the slaves of sin and cannot do a thing unless it is given them from heaven. For who can boast of being able to do anything good by oneself, since Christ says, "No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me"? Who can glory in their own will when they understand that "the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God"? Who can speak of their own knowledge in view of the fact that "those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit"?

ALL: In short, who can produce a single thought, knowing that we are not able to think a thing about ourselves, by ourselves, but that "our competence is from God"? And therefore, what the apostle says ought rightly to stand fixed and

firm: God works within us both to will and to do according to his good pleasure. For there is no understanding nor will conforming to God's understanding and will apart from Christ's involvement, as he teaches us when he says, "Apart from me you can do nothing.

(Time for silent confession.)

Song of the Month: O Give Thanks to the Lord (See Page 7.)

Sermon: "Asking The Right Questions"

Word: Ecclesiastes 1:3-18

Song of Response: You Shall Go Out with Joy (See page 8.)

Prayers of the People:

Doxological Hymn: Blessed Jesus at Your Word (final stanza with Amen) | 303

4. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, praise to you and adoration! Grant that we your Word may trust and obtain true consolation, while we here below must wander, till we sing your praises yonder. Amen.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

Sending Hymn: Praise Him, Praise Him | 173

- 1. Praise him! Praise him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer! Sing, O earth, his wonderful love proclaim! Hail him! Hail him! Highest archangels in glory; strength and honor give to his holy name! Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard his children, in his arms He carries them all day long. Praise him! Praise him! Tell of his excellent greatness; praise him! Praise him! Ever in joyful song!
- 2. Praise him! Praise him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer! For our sins he suffered, and bled, and died; he our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation, hail him! Hail him! Jesus the Crucified. Sound His praises! Jesus who bore our sorrows, Love unbounded, wonderful, deep, and strong: Praise him! Praise him! Tell of his excellent greatness; praise him! Praise him! Ever in joyful song!

3. Praise him! Praise him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer! Heavenly portals loud with hosannas ring! Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever; Crown him! Crown him! Prophet, and Priest, and King! Christ is coming! Over the world victorious, power and glory unto the Lord belong: Praise him! Praise him! Tell of his excellent greatness; praise him! Praise him! Ever in joyful song!

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 peoples will say...

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

Questions	for	Reflection:	Ecc.	lesiastes	1:3-	18

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Today at CVPC

The **Voyles/Townes Growth Group** is in Overflow this week. **Y'all Come Dinner** immediately following worship. The **Youth Group** will meet at the Church at 5:00 pm.

Please join CVPC in wishing a Happy Birthday to the following: Roger Collins | January 22 Bobby Dueitt | January 25 Jennie Akin | January 26 Theresa Louis | January 27

Women's Bible studies are starting back!

Wednesday mornings

10-12:00 am in the Gym

Women: Wednesday evenings 5-7:00 pm at Linda Schimpf's Women (high school and up):

Monday evenings

Starting Jan 16th, ending March 6th 6:30-8:30 PM in the Manse

Youth Fundraiser: Everyone is invited on Saturday, February 11 at 5:00 pm to a Chili Contest, Silent Auction, and Talent Show at the church. All proceeds support youth summer camp expenses. Please see Laura Dueitt for more information about helping out or

donating items for the auction.

Upcoming at CVPC

	January 22-28	January 29- February 4
Sunday	9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 12:30 am Y'all Come Dinner 5:00 pm Youth Group	9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 5:00 pm Youth Group
Monday	3:30 pm Monday Music 4:30 pm Manse Meeting	3:30 pm Monday Music 4:30 pm Manse Meeting
Tuesday	7:00 pm Session Meeting	7:00 pm CE Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 am Women's Bible Study 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Chaplin/Wallick GG 6:00 pm Louis GG 6:00 pm Voyles/Townes GG 6:00 pm Young Adult Fellowship	10:00 am Women's Bible Study 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Chaplin/Wallick GG 6:00 pm Louis GG 6:00 pm Voyles/Townes GG 6:00 pm Young Adult Fellowship
Thursday	6:00 pm Kennedy GG	6:00 pm Kennedy GG 6:00 pm Marr GG
Friday		
Saturday	7:00 am Men's Bible Study	7:00 am Men's Bible Study

	10:00 am Food Network (CV Naz) 5:00 pm Finch GG		
Elder on Call	davidmarr@chattvalleypca.com		
Deacon On Call	chrisgregory@chattvalleypca.com		
Overflow	Voyles/Townes	Finch & Marr	
Greeters	Ibach Family		
Youth	Youth at Church	Youth at Church	
Nursery: SS	Lucie Chaplin & Ashlee Wallick	Theresa Louis, Gerald Collins	
Nursery: Worship	Ashley Townes, Scott Kennedy, & Oliver Kennedy	Lucie Chaplin, David Marr, & Halee Cowan	

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BB 011 You Shall Go Out with Joy











