

#### 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 | February 19, 2023 Liturgist: Scott Kennedy | 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; a world without end. Amen! Amen!

#### Invocation

Almighty God and Father, we pause in this moment to express our thanks for making us your children in Christ Jesus. Thank you for your Holy Spirit who has graciously drawn us to this place to worship you alongside our sisters and brothers. We need your restorative presence to strengthen us in our inner being. Be pleased to make your presence known in this hour for the sake of your glory and our eternal good. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

### Welcome and Greeting

#### Meditation: Romans 8:1-11 | Reader: Paton Williams

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because

of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

## Call to Worship: Psalm 145:1-13

L: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

ALL: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

L: On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness.

ALL: They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

L: The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!

ALL: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power, to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

**ALL: Thanks be to God!** 

# Song of Adoration: How Great Thou Art | 44

- 1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!
- 2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

Song continued on the next page.

- 3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin. Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!
- 4. When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow, in humble adoration, and then proclaim, my God, how great thou art. Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

#### 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 Sin & Assurance of Pardon**

ALL: O God, you are gracious and merciful to us as your children. Despite the fact that you have not treated us as we rightly deserve we still find ourselves giving into temptation. Even our distracted hearts give away the fact that we are prone to wander and lose sight of our need for you often. Forgive us for our rebellion and call us back to yourself. Strengthen us this week to walk in the paths you have laid out for us. Cause our faith to increase by your indwelling Holy Spirit. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

A time for silent confession.

L: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Song of Preparation: Heal Us, Emmanuel (See page 7.)

Sermon: "Understanding the Seasons"

Word: Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

#### Song of the Month: Whate'er My God Ordains is Right | 108

1. Whate'er my God ordains is right: his holy will abideth; I will be still whate'er he doth, and follow where he guideth. He is my God: though dark my road, he holds me that I shall not fall: wherefore to him I leave it all.

- 2. Whate'er my God ordains is right: he never will deceive me; he leads me by the proper path; I know he will not leave me. I take, content, what he hath sent; his hand can turn my griefs away, and patiently I wait his day.
- 3. Whate'er my God ordains is right: though now this cup, in drinking, may bitter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all unshrinking. My God is true; each morn anew sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart, and pain and sorrow shall depart.
- 4. Whate'er my God ordains is right: here shall my stand be taken; though sorrow, need, or death be mine, yet am I not forsaken. My Father's care is round me there; he holds me that I shall not fall: and so to him I leave it all.

#### Sacrament of Communion

Doxological Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King | 115 (final stanza)

5. Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one. O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

Sending Hymn: Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder (See page 8.)

**Benediction: Romans 15:13** 

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit... so that all the people will say...

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

#### **Questions for Reflection: Ecclesiastes 3:1-15**

- 1. Verses 1–8 are a poem often used at funerals and popularized by songs. What does this poem reveal about us and about God?
- 2. What does the phrase, "He has made everything beautiful in its time" mean? Give an example of how God makes everything beautiful in his time?

#### **Today at CVPC**

The **Kennedy Growth Group** is in Overflow this week. **House to House Fellowship** is immediately following the service. NO **Youth Group** tonight.

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

Candace Parham and Daniel Dukes | February 23 Jonah Bruce | February 24

House to House Fellowship: Join us <u>TODAY</u>, immediately following the worship service, for a time to gather with the church at homes and enjoy a meal together. See Karen Leavengood with any questions.

Jones Baby Shower: All women of CVPC are invited to celebrate with Cassandra Jones the soon arrival of Baby Jones on March 4 at 10:00 am in the Manse. Gareth and Cassandra are registered on Amazon. See Pam Kennedy with any questions.

Prime Timer Gathering: Join us for our next Prime gathering on Friday, February 24 at 1:30 pm at the Sikkema home (4531 Alabama Avenue). See Alice Sikkema or Barb Michal with questions.

# Visitors, we invite you to connect with CVPC!

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Feel free to email the elder or deacon on duty or the church secretary at secretary@chattvalleypca.com.



**Upcoming at CVPC** 

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	February 19-25	February 26-March 4
SUNDAY:	10:30 am   Worship 12:30 pm   House to House Fellowship	9:00 am   Sunday School 10:30 pm   Worship 12:00 pm   Y'all Come Lunch 5:00 pm   Youth Group
	3:00 pm   Monday Music 4:30 pm   Manse Reserved 6:30 pm   Women's Bible Study	3:00 pm   Monday Music 4:30 pm   Manse Reserved 6:30 pm   Women's Bible Study
TUESDAY:	6:00 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/S/W 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/S/W GG 6:00 pm   Louis GG 6:00 pm   Voyles/Townes GG 6:00 pm   Young Adult Fellowship
THURSDAY	6:00 pm   Trail Life 6:00 pm   Kennedy GG	6:00 pm   Marr GG 6:00 pm   Kennedy GG
FRIDAY		1:30 pm  Prime Timer Event
SATURDAY:	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study 10:00 am   Jones Baby Shower 10:00 am   Food Network (CV Naz) 5:00 pm   Finch GG
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Overflow/Gym	Kennedy GG	Leavengood/Collins GG
Greeters	Topping Family	Voyles Family
Youth Group	No Youth Group	Youth at Church
Nursery: Sunday School	No Sunday School	Lucie Chaplin and Ashlee Wallick
	Michael Fennema, Karen and Roger Collins	Joli Moore, Nikki Buchanan, and Jemima Ragland

# BB 026 Heal Us Emmanuel

Cowper/Twit & Morton/arr.Finch



# BB 006 Let us Love and Sing and Wonder

John Newton Laura Taylor arr. FINCH

