

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 | April 23, 2023 Liturgist: Roger Collins | Sermon: Dennis Louis Worship Leader: Joe Staven

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

Kind and merciful Father, we humbly bow before you, knowing that we are undone, and deserving of your wrath. Because of Jesus Christ, we have been adopted as your children and have been forgiven of our rebellion and sin. For this we pause and give you heartfelt thanks. Thank you for not leaving us alone to fend for ourselves. Your Holy Spirit is a rich gift to our hearts so that we can be joyful in every circumstance. Please illuminate our minds and increase the faith in our hearts so that we may be attentive in this hour to your Word. We pray for the honor of your name and for your glory. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Proverbs 3:1-12 | Reader: Sean Cauley

My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones. Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the Lord reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

Call to Worship: Psalm 37:30-40

L: The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks justice. The law of his God is in his heart; his steps do not slip.

ALL: The wicked watches for the righteous and seeks to put him to death. The Lord will not abandon him to his power or let him be condemned when he is brought to trial.

L: Wait for the Lord and keep his way, and he will exalt you to inherit the land; you will look on when the wicked are cut off. I have seen a wicked, ruthless man, spreading himself like a green laurel tree.

ALL: But he passed away, and behold, he was no more; though I sought him, he could not be found. Mark the blameless and behold the upright, for there is a future for the man of peace.

L: But transgressors shall be altogether destroyed; the future of the wicked shall be cut off. The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; He is their stronghold in the time of trouble.

ALL: The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Song of Adoration: Exalt the Lord His Praise Proclaim | 12

- 1. Exalt the Lord, his praise proclaim; all ye his servants, praise his name, who in the Lord's house ever stand and humbly serve at his command. The Lord is good, his praise proclaim; since it is pleasant, praise his name; his people for his own he takes and his peculiar treasure makes.
- 2. I know the Lord is high in state, above all gods our Lord is great; the Lord performs what he decrees, in heaven and earth, in depths and seas. He makes the vapors to ascend in clouds from earth's remotest end; the lightnings flash at his command; he holds the tempest in his hand.
- 3. Exalt the Lord, his praise proclaim; all ye his servants, praise his name, who in the Lord's house ever stand and humbly serve at his command. Forever praise and bless his name, and in the church his praise proclaim; in Zion is his dwelling place; praise ye the Lord, show forth his grace.

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.

Westminster Confession of Faith: Adapted from Chapter 15

L: Repentance unto life is an evangelical grace, this is the doctrine that is to be preached by every minister of the gospel, as well as that of faith in Christ.

ALL: By it a sinner, out of the sight and sense, not only of the danger, but also of the filthiness and odiousness of his sins, as contrary to the holy nature and righteous law of God, and upon the apprehension of His mercy in Christ to such as are penitent, so grieves for, and hates his sins, as to turn from them all unto God, purposing and endeavoring to walk with Him in all the ways of His commandments.

L: Although repentance be not to be rested in as any satisfaction for sin, or any cause of the pardon thereof, which is the act of God's free grace in Christ; yet is it of such necessity to all sinners, that none may expect pardon without it.

All: As there is no sin so small, but it deserves damnation; so there is no sin so great that it can bring damnation upon those who truly repent.

L: Men ought not to content themselves with a general repentance, but it is every man's duty to endeavor to repent of his particular sins, particularly.

ALL: As every man is bound to make private confession of his sins to God, praying for the pardon thereof, upon which, and the forsaking of them, he shall find mercy: so he that scandalizes his brother, or the church of Christ, ought to be willing, by a private or public confession and sorrow for his sin, to declare his repentance to those that are offended; who are thereupon to be reconciled to him, and in love to receive him.

Song of Preparation: Create in Me a Clean Heart (See page 7.)

Sermon: "Spiritual Dryness" | Word: Psalm 42

Song of the Month: Not What My Hands Have Done | 461

1. Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul; not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole. Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God; not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load.

Song continued on the next page.

- 2. Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin; thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within. Thy love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord to thee, can rid me of this dark unrest, and set my spirit free.
- 3. Thy grace alone, O God, to me can pardon speak; thy power alone, O Son of God, can this sore bondage break. No other work, save thine, no other blood will do; no strength, save that which is divine, can bear me safely through.
- 4. I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love divine; and with unfaltering lip and heart, I call this Savior mine. This cross dispels each doubt; I bury in his tomb each thought of unbelief and fear, each lingering shade of gloom.
- 5. I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might; he calls me his, I call him mine, my God, my joy, my light. Tis he who saveth me, and freely pardon gives; I love because he loveth me, I live because he lives.

Prayers of the People

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

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: We Will Feast in the House of Zion | (See page 8.)

Benediction: Romans 15:13

Now unto him who 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... so that all the peoples will say...

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

Questions for Reflection: Psalm 42

- 1. Psalm 42 and Psalm 43 both describe the issue of spiritual dryness/emptiness. How does the Psalmist describe the feeling of being spiritually dry?
- 2. How does the Psalmist begin to address his spiritual dryness (Psalm 42:11)?
- 3. How does Christ, the fount of living water, help us endure those seasons of spiritual dryness?

Today at CVPC

The **Finch/Marr Growth Group** is in Overflow this week. Join us for a **Potluck Luncheon** following the service in the Church Gym. The **Youth Group** will meet at 5:00 pm in the Church Gym.

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

Isaiah Hansen and Joash Williams | April 26 Zev Wallick | April 27 Karen Collins | April 28

Mission Conference Schedule:

- <u>Saturday, April 29 at 5:00 pm</u> | International Dinner followed by a presentation by Lee Leadbetter from RUF International, UTK
- Sunday, April 30 | Combined Sunday School led by Lee Leadbetter with George Granberry from ELI preaching during the worship service

Save the Date | VBS: Join us and welcome the community for Vacation Bible School on Iune 26-30, 2023! If you would like to help out or register to attend, please visit the church website at chattvalleypca.com/vbs or sign up in the church foyer.

Visitors, we invite you to connect with CVPC!

Scan this code with your phone's camera. Or visit the website at chattvalleypca.com.

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



Connect by texting Pastor Collins your name. His number is (601) 317-3041.

Upcoming at CVPC

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	April 23-29	April 30 - May 6
SUNDAY:	9:00 am Sunday School	9:00 am Joint Sunday School
	10:30 am Worship	10:30 am Worship
	12:00 pm Y'all Come Luncheon	5:00 pm Youth Group
	5:00 pm Youth Group	5:00 pm Collins/Leavengood GG
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MONDAY:	3:30 pm Monday Music	3:30 pm Monday Music
	4:30pm Manse Reserved	4:30pm Manse Meeting
		7:00 pm Women's Bible Study
TUESDAY:	7:00 pm CE Meeting	7:00 pm WLT Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am Women's Bible Study	10:00 am Women's Bible Study
	5:00 pm Women's Bible Study	5:00 pm Women's Bible Study
	5:30 pm Chaplin/S/W GG	5:30 pm Chaplin/S/W GG
	6:00 pm Louis GG	6:00 pm Louis GG
	6:00 pm Voyles/Townes GG	6:00 pm Voyles/Townes GG
	6:00 pm Young Adult Fellowship	6:00 pm Young Adult Fellowship
THURSDAY	6:00 pm Marr GG	6:00 pm Kennedy GG
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FRIDAY		
SATURDAY:	7:00 am Men's Bible Study	7:00 am Men's Bible Study
	5:00 pm Missions Conference	5:45 pm Church Gym Reserved
Elder On Call	pastorroger@chattvalleypca.com	
Deacon On Call	jonabbot@chattvalleypca.com	
Overflow/Gym	Finch & Marr GG	Chaplin GG
Greeters	Thad Townes Family	Radmacher and Michal Family
Youth Group	Youth at Church	Youth at Church
	Jemima Ragland, Kelli Voyles	Lucie Chaplin, Lynda Henry
Sunday School		
Nursery:	Ashley Townes, Scott Kennedy,	David Marr, Halee Cowan, &
Worship	& Oliver Kennedy	Maggie Gregory

BB043 Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

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