



## 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 | May 7, 2023**

**Liturgist: Rob Chaplin | Sermon: Roger Collins**

**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**

Gracious God and Father, our souls are weighed down with the burdens of this world. We look around at the events of this world and are tempted often to be people of fear and full of anxiety. Our minds even in this moment are quite distracted and full of all sorts of things that are passing away. In this next hour we pray that you would still our minds and hearts so that we can focus fully on you and your work in Christ. Holy Spirit, come and move powerfully in our midst so that we may leave restored and refreshed in the faith. O, God, please favor us with your presence in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **Welcome and Greeting**

#### **Meditation: Psalm 6 | Reader: Joe Moore**

O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath. Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing; heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled. My soul also is greatly troubled. But you, O Lord—how long? Turn, O Lord, deliver my life; save me for the sake of your steadfast love. For in death there is no remembrance of you; in Sheol who will give you praise? I am weary with my moaning; every night I flood my bed with tears; I drench my couch with my weeping. My eye wastes away because of grief; it grows weak because of all my foes. Depart from me, all you workers of evil, for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping. The Lord has heard my plea; the Lord accepts my prayer. All my enemies shall be ashamed and greatly troubled; they shall turn back and be put to shame in a moment.

## **Call to Worship: Psalm 8**

L: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

**ALL: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?**

L: Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,

**ALL: All sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## **Song of Adoration: O God Beyond All Praising | 660**

1. O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

2. Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know your favor may serve you as our King; and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

## **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 and Assurance of Pardon:**

**ALL: Father, we come before your throne of grace asking yet again for forgiveness. Though we know the right things to do from your Word, we often rebel against your rule in our lives. We covet, we are impatient, we gossip, and we often despair. We often find ourselves complaining about those you have graciously**

**placed in our lives for our good and for your glory. Please forgive us for our lack of faith. Have mercy on us for the sake of Christ Jesus who gave his life for us.**

*A time of silent confession.*

L: Children of God, you have a great high priest who continues to intercede for you. You have the Holy Spirit in you and will never be forsaken. Rest in God's love because you have been made clean.

**Song of Preparation: My Prayer | (See page 7.)**

**Sermon: "Preserving Gratitude" | Word: 2 Samuel 7**

**Song of Response: Be Still My Soul | 689**

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side; bear patiently the cross of grief or pain; leave to your God to order and provide; in every change, he faithful will remain. Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2. Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake to guide the future as he has the past. Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

3. Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart, and all is darkened in the vale of tears, then shall you better know his love, his heart, who comes to soothe your sorrow and your fears. Be still, my soul: your Jesus can repay from his own fullness all he takes away.

4. Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on when we shall be forever with the Lord, when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

**Communion**

## **Doxological Hymn: Praise the Savior Now and Ever | 243 (final stanza with Amen)**

4. 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**

## **Song of the Month: Lord, You Are Good! | (See page 8.)**

### **Benediction: 1 Peter 1:3-8**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls...so that all the peoples will say...

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

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### **Questions for Reflection:**

1. Gratitude often slips away with forgetfulness. How do you hold on to the joy that gratitude brings?
2. Amazement usually occurs unexpectedly. But is it always coupled with the unanticipated? Can we cultivate amazement? How would you do that?
3. Prayer challenges our 'here and now' perspective. Wrestling with God to preserve gratitude while dealing with today's challenges takes courage and fortitude. How so? Can you give a Biblical example? a personal example?

## Today at CVPC

The **Louis Growth Group** is in Overflow this week.  
The **Youth Group** will meet at 5:00 pm in the Church Gym.

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

Talia Carillo | May 7

Scott Finch | May 8

Avery Radmacher and Lucie Chaplin | May 9

**Fennema Send-Off:** Everyone is invited to attend Youth Group tonight from 5-7:00 pm in the Church Gym for a time of honoring and praying for the Fenemas as they prepare to transition to seminary. Please join us for a time of thankfulness, fellowship, and ice cream sundaes!

**VBS:** Join us and welcome the community for Vacation Bible School on June 26-30! If you would like to help out or register to attend, please visit the church website at [chattvalleypca.com/vbs](http://chattvalleypca.com/vbs) or sign up in the church foyer. Take flyers and magnets to hand out at your school.

**Graduation Celebration:** All graduating high school students and their families are invited to a celebration luncheon following worship on Sunday, May 21.

**Serving Saints:** This Saturday at 8:30 am. Meet at the Church. Contact Lou Schimpf if you have any questions.

**Teacher Breakfast!** On May 12th, our church will serve the teachers of CVE breakfast. Contact Lucie Chaplin or Travis Wallick if you wish to serve!

**Visitors, we invite you to connect with CVPC!**

Scan this code with your phone's camera. Or visit the website at [chattvalleypca.com](http://chattvalleypca.com).

Feel free to email the elder or deacon on duty or the church secretary at [secretary@chattvalleypca.com](mailto:secretary@chattvalleypca.com).



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

## Upcoming at CVPC

	May 7-13	May 14-20
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	9:00 am   Sunday School 10:30 am   Worship 5:00 pm   Youth: Fennema Send-Off	9:00 am   Sunday School 10:30 am   Worship 12:00 pm   Y'all Come Dinner
<b>MONDAY:</b>	3:30 pm   Monday Music 4:30pm   Manse Reserved 8:00 pm   Session Checkpoint	3:30 pm   Monday Music 4:30pm   Manse Meeting
<b>TUESDAY:</b>		6:00 pm   Session Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	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
<b>THURSDAY</b>	6:00 pm   Marr GG 6:00 pm   Kennedy GG	6:00 pm   Kennedy GG
<b>FRIDAY</b>	7:00 am   Teacher's Breakfast (CVE)	
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study 8:30 am   Serving Saints 10:00 am   Food Network	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study 8:00 am   Growth Group Meeting 9:00 am   Joint Leader's Meeting 5:00 pm   Finch Growth Group
<b>Elder On Call</b>	robchaplin@chattvalleypca.com	
<b>Deacon On Call</b>	samtownes@chattvalleypca.com	
<b>Overflow</b>	Louis GG	Kennedy GG
<b>Greeters</b>	The Dukes Family	The Deuitt Family
<b>Youth Group</b>	Youth at Church and prayer time for Fennemas	Mother's Day- No Youth
<b>Nursery: Sunday School</b>	Lucie Chaplin, Ashlee Wallick	Theresa Louis, Gerald Collins
<b>Nursery: Worship</b>	Paula Lynch, Sydney Kennedy, Daniel Dukes	Lauren Williamson, Karen and Kathryn Leavengood


# BB040 MY PRAYER

Thanking God for Legree and Sue Finch

Based on Psalm 86


Scott M. Finch

Piano



Hear my prayer, O LORD, Hear my pray'r O LORD! I am poor and

7



full of need. *mp* Guard well my life; I submit to You; I am your

14 *Refrain*



ser - vant, You are my God! Have mer - cy on me, O

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LORD; I call un-to You all the day long! Have mer - cy on me,

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O LORD; I call un-to You all the day long! Work in me true

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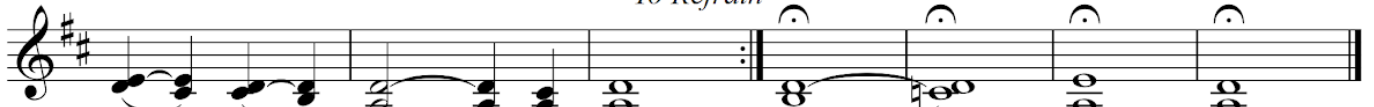
joy; I lift up my soul. You are for - giv - ing and for-ev - er

40



good. You a-bound in love, so I call to You; Lis-ten to my

46 *To Refrain*



cry; give me Your peace. A - - MEN!

# BB56 LORD, You Are Good!

Intro and Turn Around: First Four Bars 2x

I.Houghton/arr. Finch

1 F C/F Eb/F Bb/F

Lord, You are good and Your mer-cy\_ en-dur eth\_ for - ev - er.

5 F C/F Eb/F Bb/F

Lord, You are good and Your mer-cy\_ en-dur- eth\_ for - ev - er.

9 Bb C/Bb Bbm7 Eb/Bb

Peo ple from ev - er - y na tion and tongue, from gen - er - a - tion to gen er - a - tion. We

13 F F/A C7 Eb(add2) Bb(add2) F F/A

wor - ship You!\_ Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! We wor - ship You!

18 C Eb 1. Bb(add2)

\_ for who You are. \_ 'cause You are\_ good\_

22 2. Bb(add2) Fm7

'cause You are\_ good\_ all the time!\_

4 times to end

24 Bbm7 Fm7 Bb(add2)

\_ All the time\_ You are\_ good\_