



## 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 28, 2023**

**Liturgist: Rob Chaplin | Sermon: Joe Moore**

**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**

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Your glory is marvelous in our eyes and your majesty transcends the heavens. Yet you care for each bird, each tree and even number the hairs on our head. You have drawn near to us in your Son, Christ Jesus and you have given us the tremendous gift of your Holy Spirit. We are grateful to be here with your people to hear your word. Pour out your power and love in our midst so that we may be changed. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

#### **Welcome and Greeting**

#### **Meditation: Ephesians 1:3-11 | Reader: Lynda Henry**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

**\*Call to Worship: Psalm 148**

L: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!

**ALL: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the Lord! For he commanded and they were created. And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**

L: Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!

**ALL: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.**

L: He has raised up a horn for his people, raise for all his saints,

**ALL: For the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!**

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

**\*Song of Adoration: Christ is Made the Sure Foundation | 343**

1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one; holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

2. All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody; God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

3. To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today: with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy people as they pray; and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.

4. Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain, what they gain from thee forever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

5. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.

## **Prayer of Adoration & The Lord's Prayer**

**All: 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.**

## **Sacrament of Baptism: Elias Kieran Jones**

### **\*Song of Preparation: Be Thou My Vision | 642**

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art - thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
3. Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my dignity, thou my delight, thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.
5. High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## **Sermon: "How to Pray in a Hostile Culture" | Word: Acts 4:1-31**

### **\*Song of the Month: Lord, You Are Good | (See page 7.)**

## **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: Jude 1:24-25**

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever...so that all the peoples will say...

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

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**Questions for Reflection:**

1. Other than fear, what kinds of excuses do we give ourselves for not sharing the gospel with neighbors, friends, coworkers, and so forth? Do any of these have some legitimacy?
2. In what ways have you suffered for being a Christian or for sharing the gospel?
3. Do you think the persecution of Christians in the United States will eventually increase? Why or why not?
4. While prayer is much more important to the spiritual healing of our nation than politics, participation in the political sphere still has its place. In what ways do you or can you take part in this area of life?

## Today at CVPC

The **Voyles/Townes Growth Group** is in Overflow this week.  
**Y'all Come Luncheon** immediately following the service.  
No **Youth Group** tonight.

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

Jodi Gregory | May 29  
Julian Esther Jones | May 30  
Brad Voyles and Sam Dueitt | June 2

**Serving Saints:** Everyone is invited to a work day on Saturday, June 10 at 8:30 am. Meet at the church. Let Lou Schimpf know if you want to help out or if you know of someone in the church who needs help with a project.

**Walk Together:** Women of all ages and paces are invited to walk together from 8 to 9 am at the Chattanooga Valley Baptist track on Wednesday mornings this summer, beginning May 31. Strollers, pets and/or little people are welcome. There's no commitment and no structure—it's just a time to informally connect with one another.

If an evening or a different day would be better for you, contact Rachel Staven at (423) 665-9679.

### Day of Prayer

You are invited to join the Day of Prayer on Friday, June 23rd. This is a way for CVPC to live out what it means to be a "praying church" and put into practice what was taught in the prayer series by Pastor Dennis. Stay tuned for sign-ups for a 30 minute time to pray during the day.

**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. Please take flyers and magnets to hand out at your school.

**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

	<b>May 28 – June 3</b>	<b>June 4–10</b>
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	9:00 am   Sunday School 10:30 am   Worship 12:00 pm   Y'all Come Dinner	10:30 am   Worship
<b>MONDAY:</b>	3:30 pm   Monday Music 4:30pm   Manse Meeting	3:30 pm   Monday Music 4:30pm   Manse Meeting 8:00 pm   Diaconate Meeting
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	6:30 pm   Staff Meeting	7:00 pm   WLT Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	5:00 pm   Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm   Chaplin/S/W GG 6:00 pm   Voyles/Townes GG 6:00 pm   Manse Reserved	5:00 pm   Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm   Chaplin/S/W GG
<b>THURSDAY</b>	6:00 pm   Kennedy GG	6:00 pm   Marr GG
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study 8:00 am   Growth Group Meeting 9:00 am   Joint Leaders Meeting 5:00 pm   Finch GG	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study 8:30 am   Serving Saints 5:30 pm   Villa Way Event
<b>Elder On Call</b>	robchaplin@chattvalleypca.com	
<b>Deacon On Call</b>	samtownes@chattvalleypca.com	
<b>Overflow</b>	Voyles/Townes GG	Finch & Marr GG
<b>Greeters</b>	The Collins Family	The Fennema Family
<b>Youth Group</b>	No Youth Group: Memorial Day Weekend	Youth Group hosted by the Voyles/Townes Growth Group
<b>Nursery: Sunday School</b>	Lucie Chaplin, Lynda Henry	
<b>Nursery: Worship</b>	Joli Moore, Nikki Buchanan, and Jemima Ragland	Lou Schimpf, Jessica and Robin Hansen

# BB56 LORD, You Are Good!

Intro and Turn Around: First Four Bars 2x

I.Houghton/arr. Finch

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\_

# BB 047 We Will Feast in the House of Zion

arr. Finch

Refrain G G/E C G Em D C Am<sup>7</sup> D(sus<sup>4</sup>) D

We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our hearts re - stored He has

5 G G/E C G Em D C G/D D G G(sus<sup>4</sup>)

done great things we will say to - ge - ther. We will feast and weep no more.

10 G C Em C D

1. We will not be burned by the fire, He is the LORD our  
 2. In the dark of night be - fore the dawn, my soul be not a -  
 3. Ev - 'ry vow we've bro - ken and be trayed, You are the faith - ful

14 Em C Em

God. We are not con - sumed by the flood, up -  
 fraid, for the pro - mised mor - ning, O how long! O  
 One! and from the gar - den to the grave, bind

17 C D Em D/F# D

held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up.  
 God of Ja - cob be \_\_\_\_\_ my strength.  
 us to - ge - ther; bring \_\_\_\_\_ sha - lom. Final Refrain 2x