



## 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 | August 6, 2023**

**Liturgist: Albert Leavengood | 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**

Holy Father and loving Lord, we bow in silence because you have bid us to call out on your name. We are privileged to be here. It is because of your gracious hand that we woke up this morning and even have breath. It is you that has drawn us here by your love and through the merit of Jesus Christ, your only begotten Son. We claim his name today because it is the power of God to hold and heal. By the power of your eternal Holy Spirit please stir up the rich graces that have been made ours as your children. Thank you for hearing us in Jesus name. Amen.

#### **Welcome and Greeting**

#### **Meditation: Psalm 79 | Reader: Asa Williams**

O God, the nations have come into your inheritance; they have defiled your holy temple; they have laid Jerusalem in ruins. They have given the bodies of your servants to the birds of the heavens for food, the flesh of your faithful to the beasts of the earth. They have poured out their blood like water all around Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them. We have become a taunt to our neighbors, mocked and derided by those around us. How long, O Lord? Will you be angry forever? Will your jealousy burn like fire? Pour out your anger on the nations that do not know you, and on the kingdoms that do not call upon your name! For they have devoured Jacob and laid waste his habitation. Do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake! Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?" Let the avenging of the outpoured

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

blood of your servants be known among the nations before our eyes! Let the groans of the prisoners come before you; according to your great power, preserve those doomed to die! Return sevenfold into the lap of our neighbors the taunts with which they have taunted you, O Lord! But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

**\*Call to Worship: Psalm 146**

L: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**ALL: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.**

L: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

**ALL: The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

L: The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**ALL: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!**

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

**\*Song of Adoration: Great is Thy Faithfulness | 32**

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided - Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided - Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

*(Song continued on the next page.)*

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided - Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

### **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.**

### **Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon**

L: O Lord, this past week has provided ample evidence that we are a needy people with patterns that run outside of your pathways for us.

**ALL: Our doubts, our anger, our worries and our discontentment are all proof of sin that entangles us.**

L: We need forgiveness, mercy and grace. Please hold us by your powerful hand.

**ALL: Cause us to repent daily and look to your throne in each moment. Fix our eyes on Christ so that we may walk in newness of life.**

*(Time of 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: In Christ Alone (See page 7.)**

**Sermon: "The Ultimate Promise" | Word: Romans 8:26-30**

**\*Song of Response: Out of the Depths (See page 8.)**

**The Sacrament of Communion**

**\*Doxological Hymn: Arise, O God, and Shine | 442 (final stanza with Amen)**

4. To God, the only wise, the one immortal King, let hallelujahs rise from every living thing: let all that breathe, on every coast, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

**Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve**

**\*Song of the Month: I Need Thee Every Hour | 674**

1. I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine can peace afford. I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

2. I need thee every hour; stay thou nearby; temptations lose their power when thou art nigh. I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

3. I need thee every hour, in joy or pain; come quickly, and abide, or life is vain. I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

4. I need thee every hour; teach me thy will, and thy rich promises in me fulfill. I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

5. I need thee every hour, Most Holy One; O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son. I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

**\*Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 3:11-13**

Now God himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ, direct our way unto you. And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you; to the end he may establish your heart unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints... so that all the peoples will say...


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

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**Questions for Reflection: Romans 8**

1. How does the promise given in Romans 8:28 shape the way you look at the circumstances in your life?

2. The promise in Romans is restricted to those who love God and are called according to his purpose. Why are these two qualifications necessary?
  
3. The promises of God are meant to shape our heart, not our circumstances. Is there a way in which you are seeking to change your circumstances, where you need instead to seek to change your heart's attitude toward them?

<p><b>Today at CVPC</b></p> <p>The <b>Finch and Marr Growth Group</b> is in Overflow this week.  <b>House to House Fellowship Luncheon</b> immediately following the service.</p>	
<p><b>Please join CVPC in wishing a Happy Birthday to the following:</b></p> <p>Isaiah Buchanan   August 6  Gareth Jones   August 10</p>	
<p><b>House to House</b> today, immediately following worship. Let Pam Kennedy know if you were not able to sign up and wish to attend. House to House lunches are a time to fellowship with one another into our homes.</p> <p><b>Baby Shower for Ashley Townes:</b> Join us on <u>September 16th at 10:00 am</u> in the Church Gym for a baby shower in honor of Ashley Townes.</p> <p><b>Save the Date:</b> Tennessee Valley Presbytery is planning to host the Thinking Biblically, Living Covenantally Women's Conference on <u>Saturday, September 16 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm</u> at First Presbyterian Church Chattanooga.</p>	<p><b>Visitors, we invite you to connect with CVPC!</b></p> <p>Connect by texting Pastor Collins your name. His number is (601) 317-3041.</p> <p>Scan this code with your phone's camera or visit the website at <a href="http://chattvalleypca.com">chattvalleypca.com</a>.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Feel free to email the church secretary: <a href="mailto:secretary@chattvalleypca.com">secretary@chattvalleypca.com</a>.</p>

## Upcoming at CVPC

	<b>August 6-12</b>	<b>August 13-19</b>
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	10:30 am   Worship 12:30 pm   House to House Fellowship	8:00 am   Folk Band 9:00 am   Covenant Renewal Sunday 10:30 am   Worship 12:00 pm   Y'all Come Potluck 6:00 pm   Youth Group Kick Off
<b>MONDAY:</b>	3:00 pm   Piano Studio 4:30 pm   Manse Reserved 8:00 pm   Diaconate Meeting	3:00 pm   Piano Studio 4:30 pm   Manse Reserved 8:30 pm   Session Checkpoint
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	6:30 pm   Staff Meeting	6:00 pm   Session Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	8:00 am   Walk Together 10:30 am   Villa Way Event	8:00 am   Walk Together
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study 8:30 am   Serving Saints 10:00 am   Food Network 5:00 pm   Finch/Henry GG	7:00 am   Men's Bible Study 8:00 am   Growth Group Meeting 9:00 am   Joint Leaders Meeting
<b>Elder On Call</b>	albertleavengood@chattvalleypca.com	
<b>Deacon On Call</b>	bobbydueitt@chattvalleypca.com	
<b>Overflow</b>	Finch & Marr Growth Groups	Chaplin Growth Group
<b>Youth Group</b>	No Youth Group	Youth Group Kick-Off
<b>Nursery: Sunday School</b>	No Sunday School	Theresa Louis, Gerald Collins
<b>Nursery: Worship</b>	Paula Lynch, Lauren Williamson, & Daniel Dukes	Rob Chaplin, Karen Leavengood, & Kathryn Leavengood

# BB 003 In Christ Alone

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend arr. Finch

Interlude Am7 G D G D G D G A D/F#

1. In Christ a-lone my hope is found, he is my  
2. In Christ a-lone who took on flesh, full-ness of  
3. There in the ground his bo-dy lay, light of the  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the

7 G D/F# Em7 A7 D G D G A D/F# G D/F# Em7 A7

light, my strength, my song; This cor-ner-tone, this sol-id ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and  
God in help-less babe! This gift of love and right-eous-ness, scorned by the ones he came to  
world by dark-ness slain. Then burst-ing forth in glo-rious day, up from the grave he rose a-  
pow'r of Christ in me. From life's first cry to fi-nal death, Je-sus com-mands my des-ti-

12 D D/F# G D A(sus4) A D/F# G Bm7

storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are still'd when striv-ings  
save. Till on that cross as Je-sus died, the wrath of God was sa-tis-  
gain! And as he stands in vic-to-ry sin's curse has lost its grip on  
ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can e-ver pluck me from his

16 A(sus4) A G D G A D/F# Em7 Em7 A7 D To Interlude

cease! My com-for-ter, my all in all; here in the love of Christ I stand.  
fied. For ev-ry sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.  
me; for I am his and he is mine; bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.  
hand; Till he re- turns or calls me home; here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

# BB 022 Out of The Depths - Psalm 130

C. MINER/Arr. Finch

1. From depths of woe I raise to thee, The voice  
of lamentation Lord turn a gracious ear to me and hear  
my supplication; If thou iniquities dost mark, our se-  
cret sins and misdeeds dark O who shall stand before thee?  
O who shall stand before thee?  
O who shall stand before thee?  
Who shall stand before thee?

2. To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth;  
Our works, alas! are all in vain; in much the best life faileth;  
No man can glory in thy sight, all must alike confess thy might,  
And live alone by mercy (echo and repeat)

3. Therefore my trust is in the LORD, and not it mine own merit;  
On Him my soul shall rest, His word upholds my fainting spirit;  
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support.  
I wait for it with patience (echo and repeat)

4. Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth;  
His helping love no limit knows, our upmost need it soundeth.  
Our Shepherd good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free  
From all their sin and sorrow (echo and repeat)