



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 27, 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**

Our great God and Father of all things visible and invisible, we pause to give you thanks for bringing us through another week and preserving us body and soul. Without you we would have no hope but with you we know that we are more than conquerors. Be pleased to empower us in this hour with your Holy Spirit so that we may praise the name of Christ Jesus all the more. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Matthew 25:14-30 | Reader: Mark Duble

“For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’”

** Please stand as you are able.*

***Call to Worship: Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

ALL: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

L: Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

ALL: Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

L: Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

ALL: Bless the Lord, O my soul!

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

***Song of Adoration: Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah! | 110**

1. Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, from the heavens praise his name; praise Jehovah in the highest, all his angels, praise proclaim. All his hosts, together praise him, sun and moon and stars on high; praise him, O ye heavens of heavens, and you floods above the sky. Let them praises give Jehovah, for his name alone is high, and his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, far above the earth and sky.

2. Let them praises give Jehovah, they were made at his command; them forever he established, his decree shall ever stand. From the earth, O praise Jehovah, all you seas, you monsters all, fire and hail and snow and vapors, stormy winds that hear his call. Let them praises give Jehovah, for his name alone is high, and his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, far above the earth and sky.

3. All you fruitful trees and cedars, all you hills and mountains high; creeping things and beasts and cattle, birds that in the heavens fly, kings of earth, and all you people, princes great, earth's judges all; praise his name, young men and maidens, aged men, and children small. Let them praises give Jehovah, for his name alone is high, and his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, and his glory is exalted, far above the earth and sky.

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.

Middle School Report & Prayers of Thanksgiving

***Song of Preparation: Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul (See page 7.)**

Sermon: "Comforting the Doubting Heart Part II" | Word: Romans 8:31-38

***Song of Response: Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken (See page 8.)**

Nursery Promotion

***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, will we sing your praises yonder. Amen!

Offertory Prayer, Offering, and Opportunities to Serve

***Sending Hymn: How Sweet and Awesome is the Place | 469**

1. How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors, while everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.
2. While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast, each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"
3. "Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room, when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"
4. 'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in; else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.
5. Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come; send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.
6. We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

***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 people will say...

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

Questions for Reflection: Romans 8:31-38

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?

Today at CVPC

The **Kennedy Growth Group** is in Overflow this week.
Y'all Come Potluck Lunch immediately following the service.
Youth Group meets tonight at 5:00 pm.

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

George Granberry | August 27

Elysse Carrillo | August 30

Abram Wallick | September 2

New Members Class: If you are a new member or interested in learning more about CVPC, join us at 9:00 am for a seven-week course on what being a member can look like for you.

Church Retreat: Everyone is invited to attend our annual church retreat at Hidden Hollow on Saturday, September 9th, from 12:00-7:00 pm.

Baby Shower for Ashley Townes: Join us on September 16th at 10:00 am in the church gym for a baby shower in honor of Ashley Townes. She is registered on babylist.com.

Baby Shower for Sydney Kennedy: Come celebrate with us on October 7th at 10:00 am in the church gym. Sydney is registered on amazon.com.

Women's Bible Studies: Please see flyers in the church foyer and in mailboxes for women's bible study options this fall.

Save the Date: Tennessee Valley Presbytery is hosting a Women's Conference on Saturday, September 16 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. Additional details on the bulletin boards.

Church Mailboxes: All church members are designated a mailbox in the church foyer. If you do not have one, email Emily at secretary@chattvalleypca.com.

Visitors, we invite you to connect with CVPC!

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

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



Feel free to email Emily:
secretary@chattvalleypca.com.

Upcoming at CVPC

	August 27 – September 2	September 3–9
SUNDAY:	8:00 am Folk Band 9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 5:00 pm Youth Group	9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 4:00 pm Missions Meeting 5:00 pm Youth Group
MONDAY:	4:30 pm Manse Reserved 5:30 pm Monday Night Music	4:30 pm Manse Reserved 5:30 pm Monday Night Music 8:00 pm Diaconate Meeting 8:30 pm Session Checkpoint
TUESDAY:		7:00 pm WLT Meeting
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am Walk Together 5:30 pm Chaplin GG 6:00 pm Louis GG	10:00 am Women’s Bible Study 10:30 am Villa Way Event 5:00 pm Women’s Bible Study 5:30 pm Chaplin GG 6:00 pm Louis GG 6:00 pm Voyles/Townes GG
THURSDAY		
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY:	7:00 am Men's Bible Study	7:00 am Men's Bible Study 8:30 am Serving Saints 10:00 am Gym Reserved 12:00 pm Church Retreat
Elder On Call	albertleavengood@chattvalleypca.com	
Deacon On Call	bobbydueitt@chattvalleypca.com	
Overflow	Kennedy Growth Group	Leavengood/Collins Growth Group
Youth Group	Youth Group in the Church Gym	Youth Group in the Church Gym
Nursery: Sunday School	Jemima Ragland, Lynda Henry	Lucie Chaplin, Emily Radmacher
Nursery: Worship	Scott Kennedy, Karen Collins, & Roger Collins	Lou Schimpf, Jessica Hansen, & Robin Hansen

BB 012 Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

A. Steele/K. Twit/arr. S. Finch

E \flat (add2)
Fm⁷
Gm⁷
A \flat (add2)
Fm⁷
B \flat (sus4)

1. Dear re - fuge of my wear - y soul, _____ On Thee when sor - rows
 2. But oh! When gloo-my doubts pre - vail, _____ I fear to call Thee
 3. Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face, _____ And shall I seek in____
 4. Thy mer - cy seat is o - pen still, _____ Here let my soul re -

6
E \flat (add2)
E \flat
E \flat (add2)
Fm⁷
Gm⁷
A \flat (add2)
Fm⁷
B \flat (sus4)
E \flat (add2)
E \flat

rise On Thee when waves of trou - ble roll, _____ My fain - ting hope re - lies To
 mine The springs of com-fort seem to fail, _____ And all my hopes de - cline Yet
 vain? And can the ear of sov-ereign grace, _____ Be deaf when I com plain? No
 treat With hum-ble hope at-tend Thy will, _____ And wait be-neath Thy feet Thy

12
B \flat
E \flat
Fm⁷
Cm
A \flat
B \flat
Fm
B \flat

Thee I tell each ris - ing grief, _____ For Thou a - lone canst heal _____ Thy
 gra-cious God where shall I flee? _____ Thou art my on - ly trust _____ And
 still the ear of sov' reign grace, _____ At - tends the mour-ner's pray'r _____ Oh
 mer - cy seat is o - pen still, _____ Here let my soul re - treat _____ With

18
E \flat (add2)
Fm⁷
Gm⁷
A \flat (add2)
Fm⁷
B \flat
E \flat (add2)

Word can bring a sweet re - lief, _____ For ev' - ry pain I _____ feel.
 still my soul would cleave to Thee, _____ Though pro - strate in the dust.
 may I ev - er find a place _____ To breathe my sor - rows there.
 hum-ble hope at - tend Thy will, _____ And wait be-neath Thy feet.

BB 029 Jesus I My Cross Have Taken

Lyte/Mozart/alt Moor/arr.Finch



1. Je - sus I__ my_ cross__ have ta - ken, all to leave and fol - low Thee;
 2. Let the world de spise__ and leave me, they have left_ my_ Sa - vior too;
 3. Man may trou - ble_ and__ di - stress me, twill but drive me, to Thy breast;
 4. Soul, then know thy full__ sal - va - tion, rise o'er sin_ and fear__ and care;



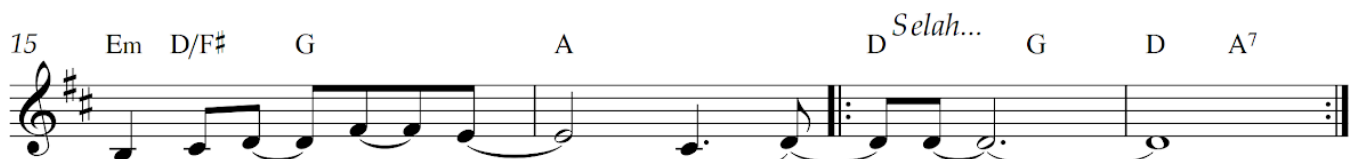
Na - ked, poor de spised__ for - sa - ken_ Thou from hence my_ all__ shalt be;
 Hu - man hearts and looks__ de - ceive me, Thou are not_ like them__ un - true;
 Life with tri - als_ hard__ may press me, Heav'n will bring me_ sweet - er__ rest;
 Joy to find_ in_ ev - 'ry_ sta - tion, Some - thing still_ to_ do__ or_ bear;



Per - ish ev - 'ry__ fond__ am - bi - tion; all I've sought or__ hoped
 Oh, while Thou dost smile__ u - pon_ me, God of wis - dom, love,
 Oh, 'tis not_ in__ grief__ to__ harm me, While thy love_ is__ left__
 Think what Spi - rit__ dwells__ with - in__ thee, Think what Fa - ther's smiles



— or__ known, yet how rich_ is__ my__ con - di - tion,
 — and_ might foes may hate_ and_ friends__ dis - own_ me,
 — to__ me, Oh, 'twere not_ in__ joy__ to__ charm me,
 — are__ thine, Think that Je - sus__ died__ to__ win_ thee,



God and heav'n are__ still__ my__ own.
 Show Thy face_ and_ all__ is__ bright.
 Were that joy__ un - mixed__ with__ thee.
 Child of Heav'n canst thou__ re - pine.