



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 | September 17, 2023

Liturgist: Albert Leavengood | Sermon: Rev. 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; world without end. Amen! Amen!

***Invocation**

Kind and merciful Father, we bow before your throne with great expectation of hearing once again from you. Your Son continues to intercede for us now and your Holy Spirit has drawn us into your presence this morning with purpose. Help us to see this purpose with greater clarity as we hear your Word prayed, preached and sung. Give us the courage to hear your voice and submit with grateful obedience. Protect us from distraction in Jesus' name. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Psalm 49:1-15 | Reader: Andrew Chaplin

Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together! My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding. I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the lyre. Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of those who cheat me surrounds me, those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches? Truly no man can ransom another, or give to God the price of his life, for the ransom of their life is costly and can never suffice, that he should live on forever and never see the pit. For he sees that even the wise die; the fool and the stupid alike must perish and leave their wealth to others. Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they called lands by their own names. Man in his pomp will not remain; he is like the beasts that perish. This is the path of those who have foolish confidence; yet after them people approve of their boasts. Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol; death shall be their shepherd, and the upright shall rule over them in the morning. Their form shall be consumed in Sheol, with no place to dwell. But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol, for he will receive me.

** Please stand as you are able.*

***Call to Worship: Psalm 51:12-19**

L: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

ALL: Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

L: For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

ALL: Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; build up the walls of Jerusalem; then will you delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

***Song of Adoration: O Father, You Are Sovereign | 75**

1. O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made; your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed. Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore, sets stars within their courses and stills the tempest's roar.

2. O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man; no powers of death or darkness can thwart Your perfect plan. All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space, you hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

3. O Father, you are sovereign the Lord of human pain, transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heavenly gain. All evil over-ruling, as none but Conqueror could, your love pursues its purpose, our souls' eternal good.

4. O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now, but soon before your triumph earth's every knee shall bow. With this glad hope before us, our faith springs up anew: our sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

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

ALL: Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A time for silent confession.

L: Brothers and Sisters, be reassured. Your sins are not held against you. By the work of God in Christ, you are forgiven. God has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

***Song of Preparation: O Give Thanks - Psalm 107 (See page 7.)**

Series Title: The Believing Church in an Unbelieving World

“The Church’s Ultimate Joy” | Word: Ephesians 1:15-23

***Song of the Month: King of Kings–Three in One (See page 8.)**

The Sacrament of Communion

***Doxological Hymn: All Creatures of our God and King | 115 (final stanza)**

5. Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one. O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Offertory Prayer, Offering, and Opportunities to Serve

***Sending Hymn: It is Well with My Soul | 691**

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul." It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

(Song continues on the next page.)

2. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control, that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

3. My sin- O the bliss of this glorious thought!- my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, "Even so"- it is well with my soul. It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

***Benediction: Romans 15:13**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope... so that all the people will say...

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

Questions for Reflection: Ephesians 1:15ff

1. How does Paul frame both the assets and the deficiencies of the Ephesian community?

2. How does Paul pray for this congregation and for its members?

3. Who is the gift and who is the recipient of God's benevolence in this text, and what is the design of that generosity?

4. Where are you in this picture?

Today at CVPC

The **Finch and Marr** Growth Groups are in Overflow this week.
Post-Service Prayer time immediately following the service.
The **Youth Group** meets tonight at 5:00 pm.

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

Hattie Wallick | September 17

Anna Marr and Halee Cowan | September 18

Post-Service Prayer Time: Join CVPC in a time of prayer immediately following the service in the Manse.

Villa Way Picnic: Come hang out with the residents of Villa Way on Saturday, September 23. Sign up in the church foyer or in the overflow.

Baby Shower for Sydney Kennedy: Women, come celebrate on October 7 at 10:00 am in the church gym. Sydney is registered on amazon.com.

Growth Groups: Get plugged into a bible study with fellow believers. Email Emily for more details:
secretary@chattvalleypca.com.

Venmo: We are excited to share that CVPC has a Venmo account. You are welcome to give **@CVPC_1**.

Visitors, we welcome you to CVPC!

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

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



Feel free to email Emily:
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Upcoming at CVPC

	September 17-23	September 24-30
SUNDAY:	9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 12:00 pm Prayer Time 5:00 pm Youth Group	9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 12:00 pm Y'all Come Potluck 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
TUESDAY:	6:00 pm Session Meeting	7:30 pm CE Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am Women's Bible Study 10:30 am Villa Way Coffee 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study	
THURSDAY		
FRIDAY	Middle School Retreat	
SATURDAY:	7:00 am Men's Bible Study 10:00 am Food Network Meeting 5:30 pm Villa Way Picnic	7:00 am Men's Bible Study 3:00 pm Church Gym Reserved
Elder On Call	pastorroger@chattvalleypca.com	
Deacon On Call	chrisgregory@chattvalleypca.com	
Overflow	Finch & Marr Growth Groups	Chaplin Growth Group
Youth Group	Youth Group in the Gym	Youth Group in the Gym
Nursery: Sunday School	Lucie Chaplin, Kelli Voyles	Jemima Ragland, Lynda Henry
Nursery: Worship	Audrey Townes, Lou Schimpf, & Allie Finch	Emily Radmacher, Rachel Staven, & Anna Staven

BB54 O Give Thanks (Psalm 107)

W.Kimbrough/arr. Finch

D D

1. We were wan - d'ring in the de - sert with our souls
 2. We were locked out of the gar - den and our backs
 3. We were far out on the o - cean ma - king wealth

4 G G Bm7

— so starved and weak; we were hun - gry for a home
 — bent down with pain in the sha - dow of death's dark -
 — and cha - sing dreams but the waves of great de - struc -

7 D A(sus4) A D

- land we did not know how to seek, but we lif - ted up our voi -
 - ness we were slaves to sin and blame then we cried out in our la -
 - tion brought us trem - bling to our knees and we cried like drun - ken sai -

11 D/F# G G D/A

- ces to the on - ly one who hears and the God of mer - cy came.
 - bor to the on - ly one who hears and the God of mer - cy wiped
 - lers to the on - ly one who hears and the God of com - fort took

15 A Bm A/C# D F#

— and brought us near. Oh give thanks to the Lord for His love
 — a - way our tears.
 — a - way our fears. *Final Refrain 2x*

20 G D Bm D E7

— en-dures for - ev - er! We were wan - der - ing and lost and our Fa - ther brought us home

25 A D F# G

to a safe dwell - ing place, to a feast of joy and laugh

29 D F# Bm D7 G Gm/Bb D Dmaj7 D Dmaj7

- ter. Oh give thanks to the Lord for he is good!

BB58 King of Kings--Three in One

No refrain between stanzas 1 & 2; 3 & 4

Ligertwood & Ingram/arr.Finch

♩ = 68

D G

1. In the dark - ness we were wait - ing with - out hope
 2. To re - veal the king - dom com - ing and to rec -
 3. And the morn - ing that you rose, all of heav -
 4. And the church of Christ; She soared when the Spir

A D D G

— and with - out light. 'Till from heav - en you came run - ning there was mer -
 - on cile the lost, to re deem the whole cre - a - tion you did not
 - en held its breath 'Till that stone was moved for good for the Lamb
 - it lit the flame. Now this Gos - pel truth of old shall not kneel

A D D G

- cy in your eyes. To ful - fill the law and pro - phets to a vir -
 — de spise the cross. For ev - en in your suf - f'ring, you saw to
 — had con - quered death. And the dead rose from there tombs and the an -
 — and shall not faint. By his blood and in his Name in his free

A D D G

- gin came the Word. From a throne of end - less glo - ry to a cra
 — the oth - er side, know - ing this was our sal - va - tion Je - sus for
 gels stood in awe, for the souls of all who'd come to the Fa -
 - dom I am free for the love of Je - sus Christ who has res

Final Refrain 2x

8 A D D G(add2) Bm7

- dle in the dirt. Praise the Fa - ther; Praise the Son; Praise the Spir - it;
 — our sake you died.
 - ther are re stored.
 - ur rect - ed me.

Tag 3x

14 D/A A D G(add2) Bm7 G(add2) A D (bm)

Three in One! God of Glo - ry; Maj - es - ty; Praise for - ev - er to The King of Kings!