

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 | October 1, 2023 Liturgist: Rob Chaplin | 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

We give thanks to thee, omnipotent, everliving God of truth, eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, creator of heaven and earth, of men, and of all creatures, sustainer of all things, giver of all life, order, and wisdom, unfailing source of help; and to your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, your Word and eternal image; and to your Holy Spirit, with whom you endowed the apostles at Pentecost. We give thanks to you, O God of holiness, and truth, wisdom and goodness, justice and mercy, purity and loving-kindness, for with goodness and wisdom unmatched, you have revealed yourself to us, sending your Son into the world, destined to assume human nature and to become a sacrifice for us. We remain grateful that you have drawn us in this morning to hear your Word in prayer, preaching, and singing. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Revelation 21:9-14 | Reader: Avery Radmacher

Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed—on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

^{*} Please stand as you are able.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 122

L: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem! Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together,

ALL: To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord. Their thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David.

L: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they be secure who love you! Peace be within your walls and security within your towers!"

ALL: For my brothers and companions' sake I will say, "Peace be within you!" For the sake of the house of the Lord our God I will seek your good.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*Song of Adoration: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise | 38

- 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
- 2. Unresting, unhasting and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render; O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

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:

O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, we have not loved you with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the

good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With you, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In your mercy, restore the joy of our salvation; so that we may love you with a holy love.

(A time of silent confession)

But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons and daughters. And because you are sons and daughters, God has set the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba, Father!' So through Christ you are no longer a slave, but a son and daughter, and if a son or daughter then an heir. In Christ, you are forgiven, adopted into God's family, an heir to the kingdom!

*Song of the Month: The Perfect Wisdom of Our God (See page 7.)

Series Title: The Believing Church in an Unbelieving World "Objects of Wrath to Objects of Grace" | Word: Ephesians 2:1-10

*Song of Response: There is a Redeemer (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, and Opportunities to Serve

*Sending Hymn: The Sands of Time Are Sinking | 546

- 1. The sands of time are sinking, the dawn of heaven breaks, the summer morn I've sighed for, the fair sweet morn awakes; dark, dark, hath been the midnight, but dayspring is at hand, and glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land.
- 2. The King there in his beauty without a veil is seen; it were a well-spent journey though seven deaths lay between: the Lamb with his fair army doth on Mount Zion stand, and glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land.

(Song continues on the next page.)

- 3. O Christ, he is the fountain, the deep sweet well of love! The streams on earth I've tasted more deep I'll drink above: there to an ocean fullness his mercy doth expand, and glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land.
- 4. The bride eyes not her garment, but her dear bridegroom's face; I will not gaze at glory, but on my King of grace; not at the crown he gifteth, but on his pierced hand: the Lamb is all the glory of Emmanuel's land.

*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 people will say...

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

Questions for Reflection: Ephesians 2:1-10

- 1. What does Paul mean by "were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind?" (vs. 3). How do we reconcile God's wrath with God's love, grace, and mercy?
- 2. How does the reality of God's wrath help us understand salvation and regeneration?
- 3. Paul tells us that instead of being objects of wrath we are transformed into God's workmanship. What does it mean to be God's workmanship?

Today at CVPC

The **Louis Growth Group** is in Overflow this week. The **Youth Group** meets tonight at 5:00 pm.

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

Ken Austin & Ale Townes | October 1 Jon Abbot | October 2 Travis Wallick & David Murphy | October 3

Baby Shower for Sydney Kennedy:

Women, come celebrate Sydney Kennedy on <u>October 7 at 10:00 am</u> in the church gym. Sydney is registered on Amazon.

Kid's Corner: Kids K-5th are welcome to join the Kid's Corner in preparing for "Children's Lessons & Carols." Meeting on Sunday evenings from 5-6:00 pm starting on October 15, 2023. For more information please email Scott Finch.

Trunk or Treat: CVPC partners with Chattanooga Valley Elementary each year for the school's annual Trunk or Treat Event. Join us, <u>Thursday, October 26th at 5:30 pm!</u> Please sign-up in the church foyer to help.

Church Work Day: Everyone is invited to a church work day on Saturday, October 13 from 8:30 am–12:00 pm for various projects. All hands welcome! See Jon Abbott with questions.

Growth Groups: We encourage you to 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 secretary@chattvalleypca.com.

Upcoming at CVPC

	October 1-7	October 8-14
SUNDAY:	9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 4:00 pm Missions Meeting 5:00 pm Youth Group	9:00 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 12:30 pm Y'all Come Potluck 5:00 pm Youth Group
MONDAY:	4:30 pm Manse Reserved 5:30 pm Monday Night Music 8:00 pm Diaconate Meeting	4:30 pm Manse Reserved 5:30 pm Monday Night Music
TUESDAY:	7:00 pm WLT Meeting	
WEDNESDAY	10:30 am Villa Way Event	
THURSDAY		
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY:	7:00 am Men's Bible Study 10:00 am Kennedy's Baby Shower	7:00 am Men's Bible Study 8:30 am Serving Saints 8:30 am Church Work Day 10:00 am Food Network Meeting
Elder On Call	robchaplin@chattvalleypca.com	
Deacon On Call	jonabbot@chattvalleypca.com	
Overflow	Louis Growth Group	Kennedy Growth Group
Youth Group	Youth Group in the Gym	Youth Group in the Gym
Nursery: Sunday School	Lucie Chaplin, Emily Radmacher	Theresa Louis, Gerald Collins
	Jemima Ragland, Pam Kennedy, & Ethan Kennedy	Barb Michal, Joli Moore, & Maddy Louis

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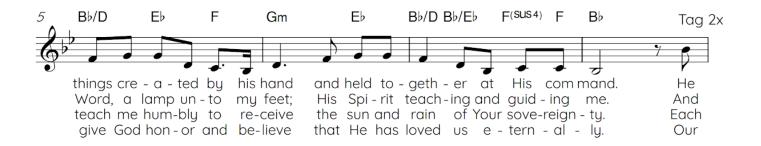
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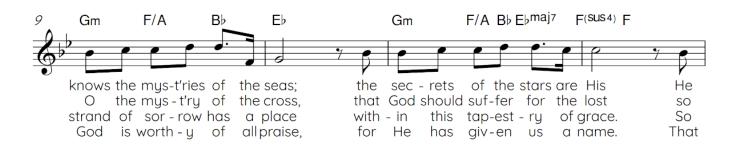
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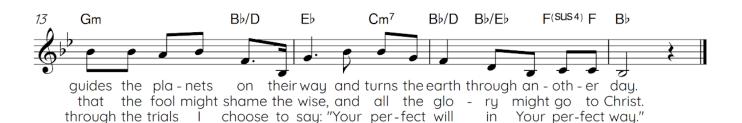
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1.The per-fect wis-dom of our God, re-vealed in all the u-ni-verse. All 2.The match-less wis-dom of His ways, that mark the path of right-eousness. 3.Oh grant me wis-dom from a-bove to pray forpeace and cling to love and 4.We praise the Fa-ther and the Son; We praise the Spi - rit; Ho - ly One! We







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