Vision

To see lives transformed through following Jesus.



Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship February 20, 2022

Liturgist: Brad Voyles | Sermon: Rev. Dennis Louis Worship Leader: Scott Finch

Meditation: Ephesians 1:3-14 | Reader: Isaiah Staven

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 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 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!

ALL: Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together, 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.

L: There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they be secure who love you!

ALL: Peace be within your walls and security within your towers!" 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.

Hymn of Adoration: Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken | 345

- 1. Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode: on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
- 2. See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove; who can faint, while such a river ever flows their thirst t'assuage?—grace which, like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.
- 3. Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near: thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day, safe they feed upon the manna which he gives them when they pray.
- 4. Savior, if of Zion's city I, through grace, a member am, let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy name: fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show; solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

Prayer of Adoration & The Lord's Prayer

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: O divine master, we acknowledge with thankful hearts that you have not been passive in dealing with us. You willingly emptied yourself for the sake of those that the Father entrusted to you. You have also generously given us your Holy Spirit to guide, to convict and to motivate our hearts to cheerful obedience. As we view your stewardship of creation and salvation, we openly admit that we fall short and have not heeded your instruction. So much of what you have given to us we have neglected, mismanaged or ignored. We have hoarded our time and been selfishly angry when others have changed our plans. We have spent our finances as we have relied on our own wisdom, rather than submitting to your commands by faith. Many of the abilities you have given to us we secretly claim as our own and seek to use those talents to impress others. In our honest moments we feel much like prodigal sons and daughters who have squandered the benefits you have provided and have begun to think that those gifts replace a dependent relationship on you. We need your loving embrace yet again. Come to us in this hour and show us who we are without you so that we can be thankful that we are forever yours in Christ. Have mercy on us and teach us again through your Word.

(time of silent confession)

L: Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.

Song of Preparation: Wonderful, Merciful Savior (see back page)

Sermon: "Christ, Our Treasure"

Word: Colossians 1:9-23

Song of the Month: 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.

Refrain: 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. [Refrain]
- 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. [Refrain]

Sacrament of Communion

Doxological Hymn: Come Thou Almighty King | 101

4. To Thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be, hence, evermore; Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see, And to eternity love and adore! Amen!

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

The Sending Hymn: What a Friend We Have in Jesus | 629

- 1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
- 2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged—take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.

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3. Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge—take it to the Lord in prayer. Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his arms he'll take and shield thee, thou wilt find a solace there.

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 peoples will say...

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

Questions for Reflection: Read Colossians 1:1-23

- 1. In Colossians 1:15-23, Paul expands upon the character of the beloved son mentioned in vs. 13. Paul speaks of Jesus' deity in vs. 15-19 and his work in vs. 20-23. List all the ways Paul demonstrates Jesus' divinity in Col. 1:15-19. What do you think the following phrases means:
 - He is the image of the invisible God. (cf. Gen. 1:26-31)
 - All things were created through him and for him.
 - The firstborn of all creation and firstborn from the dead.
 - Head of the body, the church. (cf. Eph. 4:1-15)
 - The fullness of God was pleased to dwell.
- 2. Using the list in vs. 15-19, how would you respond to someone who said, "Jesus was just a good moral teacher and not God?"
- 3. What has Jesus done for his elect according to Col. 1:20-23? What do you think the following phrases mean?
 - Reconciled in his body of flesh by his death
 - Present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him
- 4. How would you use vs. 20-23 to explain the gospel to an unbeliever?
- 5. Why would the preeminence of Christ be a blessing to the church at Colossae and believers today? (Read Col. 2:1-5, Matt. 6:5-8, Phil. 4:6-7 for context.)

- 6. Paul uses the words "all things" repeatedly in these verses, why do you think that is the case? (Count the number of times he says "all things.")
- 7. Spend some time reflecting on and processing outwardly the following question: If all things are being held together by Christ, then why does it seem like everything in the church, world, and or my life is falling apart?

Today at CVPC

The **Kennedy Growth Group** is in Overflow this week.

House to House Fellowship will follow the worship service.

No Youth Group tonight.

Announcements

Adult Sunday School: Beginning
February 27, Albert Leavengood will lead
an adult Sunday School class on select
Psalms; exploring the rich inheritance we
have as children of the living God.

Women's Retreat: Registration is now open for the 2022 Spring Women's Retreat at Pigeon Mountain Crossing in LaFayette, GA for March 25-26. The total cost is \$75. There are scholarships available, so please don't let the cost keep you from attending. Please see a member of the Women's Leadership Team if you have questions or want additional information.

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

Candace Parham | Feb 23 Daniel Dukes | Feb 23 Chad Dukes | Feb 25 Steve Topping | Feb 27 Isabel Kennedy | Feb 27 Katherine Pool | Feb 28

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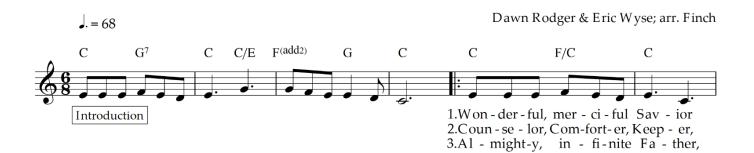
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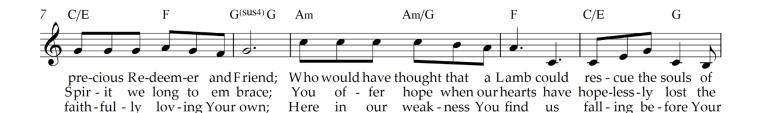


Coming Up at CVPC

	Week of February 21-27	Week of February 28 - March 6
MONDAY	3:30PM: Monday Music 4PM: Manse Reserved	3:30PM: Monday Music 4PM: Manse Reserved
TUESDAY		7PM WLT meeting
WEDNESDAY	10AM: Women's Bible Study 5:30PM: Chaplin Growth Group 6PM: Women's Evening Bible Study 6PM: Louis Growth Group 6PM: Voyles/Townes Growth Group	10AM: Women's Bible Study 5:30PM: Chaplin Growth Group 6PM: Women's Evening Bible Study 6PM: Louis Growth Group 6PM: Voyles/Townes Growth Group
THURSDAY	6PM: Kennedy Growth Group 6PM: Marr Growth Group 6PM: Trail Life	6PM: Kennedy Growth Group
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY	7AM: Men's Bible Study 8AM: Growth Group Leaders Meeting 9AM: Joint Leaders Meeting 10AM: Food Network	7AM: Men's Bible Study
SUNDAY	9AM: Sunday School 10:30AM: Worship 12PM: Potluck Lunch 5PM: Youth Group 5PM: Leavengood Growth Group	9AM: Sunday School 10:30AM: Worship 5PM: Youth Group 5PM: Leavengood Growth Group
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Greeters	Davis Family; Duble Family	Dueitt Family
Youth	Youth at Church	Youth at Church
Nursery: SS	Jemima Ragland	Jen Finch
Nursery: Worship	David Marr, Jessica Hansen, & Robin Hansen	Joli Moore, Marie Fennema, & Lucie Chaplin

BB 002 Wonderful Merciful Savior





1st stanza goes directly to 2nd verse; 2nd & 3rd stanza go to chorus 12 F C/E G C Am/G Am/G Am Am Am men? Oh, you res - cue the souls of men. You are the One that we praise,_ You are the One we away, Oh, we hope-less-ly lost our way. throne, Oh, we're fall - ing be - fore Your throne.



