Vision

To see lives transformed through following Jesus.



Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church Order of Worship August 15, 2021

Liturgist: Rob Chaplin | Sermon: Rev. Dennis Louis | Lead Musician: Scott Finch

Meditation: 2 Chronicles 30:18b-22

For Hezekiah had prayed for them, saying, "May the good Lord pardon everyone who sets his heart to seek God, the Lord, the God of his fathers, even though not according to the sanctuary's rules of cleanness." And the Lord heard Hezekiah and healed the people. And the people of Israel who were present at Jerusalem kept the Feast of Unleavened Bread seven days with great gladness, and the Levites and the priests praised the Lord day by day, singing with all their might to the Lord. And Hezekiah spoke encouragingly to all the Levites who showed good skill in the service of the Lord. So they ate the food of the festival for seven days, sacrificing peace offerings and giving thanks to the Lord, the God of their fathers.

Reader: Ashlee Wallick

Call to Worship: Psalm 93

L: The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

ALL: Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

L: The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.

ALL: Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the Lord on high is mighty!

L: Your decrees are very trustworthy;

ALL: holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore.

L: This is the Word of the LORD!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Opening Hymn: O Worship the King | 2

- 1. O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing his power and his love; our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.
- 2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
- 3. The earth, with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your power has founded of old; has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4. Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain
- 5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend!
- 6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn you above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

Pastoral Prayer Followed by 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 and Assurance of Pardon

L: Our Father, we are so entangled by the cares of this world, our sense of discontentment and a realization of our own sin, that we grow overwhelmed and we become apathetic.

ALL: We lose sleep with our worries. We are dumbfounded by the fact that we are prone to wander from your fold and ignore the comforting voice of our good shepherd.

L: You have chosen to live among us by the person and work of the incarnate Christ and we acknowledge that you have given us the generous gift of your indwelling Spirit.

ALL: So Lord, we pray that you would abide in us and cause us to abide in you. As with Nicodemus, meet us in the shadows and draw us into the light. Like Lazarus, speak to us and make us alive.

L: And though we may often feel like the adulterous woman, let us—like her—find ourselves humbly at your feet in tears, knowing that we are loved and forgiven by you.

ALL: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. (time of silent confession)

L: "The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing."

Song of Preparation: Lamb of God

- 1. Your only Son no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side, to walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.
- 2. Your gift of love they crucified; they laughed and scorned him as he died. The humble King they named a fraud, and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

Refrain: O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God. O wash me in his precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

3. I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side; to be led by your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God.

Sermon: "Best Sermon Ever"

Word: Jonah 3:1-5

1 Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, 2 "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." 3 So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. 4 Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" 5 And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

Hymn of Approach: He Leadeth Me | 600

1. He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain: He leadeth me, he leadeth me; by his own hand he leadeth me: his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

- 2. Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. (*Refrain*)
- 3. Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine; content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. (*Refrain*)
- 4. And when my task on earth is done, when, by thy grace, the victory's won,

e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. *(Refrain)* **Communion**

Doxological Hymn: Come, Thou Almighty King | 101

- 1. Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.
- 2. Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success: Spirit of holiness, on us descend.
- 3. Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.
- 4. To the great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence, evermore. His sov'reign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

The Sending Hymn: Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord | 465

1. Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt, yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain: Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within; grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.

- 2. Sin and despair like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss; grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the Refuge, the mighty cross. (*Refrain*)
- 3. Dark is the stain that we cannot hide; what can avail to wash it away? Look! There is flowing a crimson tide; whiter than snow you may be today. (Refrain)

Benediction: Romans 15:13

Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit... so that all the peoples will say...

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

CVPC Announcements

Youth: All youth are invited tonight to a "Back to School Skate Night" at Hamilton Skate Place. Transportation will be provided to and from church. The cost is \$5 per student. Please meet at the church by 4:30. Pick-up at the church will be 7:45.

Church Work Day: Everyone is invited to come out for a church work day on Saturday, August 28 from 8:00a-12:00p. Come as you are able. We plan to tackle several jobs, including deep-cleaning, yard work, replacing toilets, and preparing classrooms for Sunday School. Rakes and shovels are welcome as we will also re-mulch the playground.

Couples Outing: Young Couples are invited to join a few of our seasoned married couples to go on an outing together on Saturday, August 28 from 4:00-7:00p. Location TBA. This will be a time of mentoring and growing together in God's grace as a couple. If interested, please contact: Secretary@chattvalleypca.com. (Seasoned couples will be placed on a rotation.)

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

Marie Fennema | Aug 15
Paula Lynch & David Marr | Aug 16
Nikki Buchanan | Aug 17
Chris Gregory | Aug 19
Bill Tate | Aug 22
Theresa Heet | Aug 23
Mercy Sterkel | Aug 24
George Granberry | Aug 27

Happy Anniversary to Paul & Marsha Davis, George & Vicki Granberry, Scott & Jennifer Finch, and to Gareth & Cassandra Jones!

CVPC would love to celebrate your special day with you! If you do not see your birthday or anniversary listed, please use the QR code below or email secretary@chattvalleypca.com to update your information.

Coming Up at CVPC

If you have questions or for more information, please contact the secretary at 706-820-2833 or via email at secretary@chattvalleypca.com

| | Week: 8/16-8/22 | 8/23-8/29 |
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| MONDAY | 6PM: ACA Meeting (Gym) | 6PM: ACA Meeting(Gym) |
| TUESDAY | 12PM:Virtual Prayer Meeting 6PM: Session Meeting (Gym) | 12PM:Virtual Prayer Meeting |
| WEDNESDAY | | |
| THURSDAY | | 6PM: Trail Life (Gym) |
| FRIDAY | | |
| SATURDAY | 7AM: Men's Discipleship 8AM: Growth Group Leaders Meeting (Manse) 8:30AM: Men's Study 9AM: Joint Leaders Meeting (Morse) 10AM: CVPC Teacher Training | 7:00 & 8:30AM-Men's Study & Discipleship 8AM: Church Workday 10AM: Couples Outing 10AM: Food Network |
| SUNDAY | 8:30AM: Folk band 9AM: Joint Sunday School 10:30AM: Worship 3PM: Missions Meeting (Manse) | 9AM: Joint Sunday School 10:30AM: Worship |
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| Greeters | Gross Family | Ibach Family; Ibach (S) Family |
| Youth | Youth at Church | Youth at Church |
| Nursery Sunday School | A. Sterkel & E. Kennedy | A. Townes & R. Chaplin |
| Nursery Worship | A. Sikkema, L. Jones & J. Finch | J. Ragland, K. Leavengood & K. Leavengood |

Jonah 3:1-10

Read the entire book of Jonah. Answer all the questions and prompts below.

- 1. If Jonah had truly repented in chapter 2, why was it necessary for the word of the Lord to come to Jonah a second time (Jonah 3:2)?
- 2. The greatness of Nineveh is highlighted several times in the book (Jonah 1:2; 3:2, 3; 4:11). What is the connection the writer wants us to make between Nineveh's greatness and their repentance?
- 3. List all the ways the text demonstrates the sincere repentance of Jonah. Why is it significant that the people of Nineveh repented before the king of Nineveh?
- 4. Compare Jonah's words to the Ninevites (Jonah 3:4) with those of Amos (Amos 1:3 2:3). What are the differences and similarities between the two? What if anything does it communicate about Jonah's willingness to give God's word to the Ninevites?
- 5. What does it mean that "God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them?"
- 6. The power of the gospel is evident in the book of Jonah. How have you seen the power of the gospel evident in the world, the area that you live, and in your own life?
- 7. Do you believe in the transformative power of the gospel?