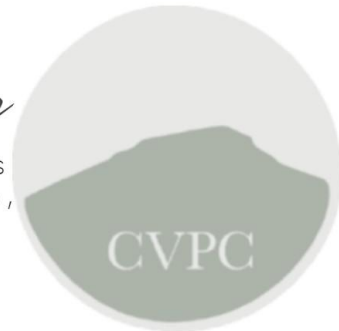


Vision

To see lives transformed
through following Jesus.

Mission

Making disciples
through worship,
fellowship &
service.



Values

Worship,
Word,
Compassion &
Community

Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church

October 17, 2021

Liturgist: David Marr | Sermon: Rev. Stephen Atkinson | Worship Leader: Scott Finch

Meditation: Hebrews 1:1-12 | Reader: Karen Collins

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire." But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end."

Call To Worship: Psalm 57:5-11

L: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth!

ALL: They set a net for my steps; my soul was bowed down. They dug a pit in my way, but they have fallen into it themselves.

L: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast! I will sing and make melody! Awake, my glory! Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn!

ALL: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations. For your steadfast love is great to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

L: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!

ALL: Let your glory be over all the earth!

L: This is the Word of the LORD.

ALL: Thanks be to God

Song of the Month: Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim | 12

1. Exalt the Lord, his praise proclaim; all ye his servants, praise his name, who in the Lord's house ever stand and humbly serve at his command. The Lord is good, his praise proclaim; since it is pleasant, praise his name; his people for his own he takes and his peculiar treasure makes.

2. I know the Lord is high in state, above all gods our Lord is great; the Lord performs what he decrees, in heav'n and earth, in depths and seas. He makes the vapors to ascend in clouds from earth's remotest end; the lightnings flash at his command; he holds the tempest in his hand.

3. Exalt the Lord, his praise proclaim; all ye his servants, praise his name, who in the Lord's house ever stand and humbly serve at his command. Forever praise and bless his name, and in the church his praise proclaim; in Zion is his dwelling place; praise ye the Lord, show forth his grace.

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 & Assurance of Pardon

L: Dear God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess aloud together that we have boasted out of our own ignorance rather than in the profound glory of the cross.

ALL: Though he was willing to suffer for us, we have spent a great deal of our energy avoiding inconvenience. If we are honest, we must say that we have not taken up our cross.

L: Instead, we find ourselves discontented with our provisions in life, eager to complain and criticize, and selfish with sharing what we have been given with others.

ALL: Though he was utterly obedient to the Father's will, we have spent a significant portion of our time being indifferent to his sacrifice rather than humbled.

L: We need correction. We need peace. We need mercy. We need love. We need the marks of Jesus to rule our hearts, souls, minds and strength.

ALL: We therefore ask for the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ to be with our spirits. Come Holy Spirit and minister to our broken hearts.

(time of silent confession)

L: Children of God, you have been forgiven in Christ. Hallelujah, what a savior!

Song of Preparation: El Shaddai | 42

1. El Shaddai, El Shaddai, El-Elyon na Adonai, age to age you're still the same, by the power of the name. El Shaddai, El Shaddai, Erkahmka na Adonai, we will praise and lift you high, El Shaddai.

2. Through your love and through the ram you saved the son of Abraham; through the power of your hand you turned the sea into dry land. To the outcast on her knees you were the God who really sees, and by your might you set your children free.

3. Through the years you made it clear that the time of Christ was near, though the people couldn't see what Messiah ought to be. Though your Word contained the plan, they just would not understand, your most awesome work was done in your Son.

4. El Shaddai, El Shaddai, El-Elyon na Adonai, age to age you're still the same, by the power of the name. El Shaddai, El Shaddai, Erkahmka na Adonai, I will praise you till die, El Shaddai.

Sermon: “The End of All Mission” | Rev. Stephen Atkinson

Word: Revelation 21:1-5

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. **2** And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. **3** And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. **4** He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.” **5** And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

Hymn of Response: O Come O Come Emmanuel | 194

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here, until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height, in ancient times didst give the law in cloud and majesty and awe. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
3. O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free thine own from Satan's tyranny; from depths of hell thy people save, and give them vict'ry o'er the grave. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
4. O come, thou Dayspring from on high, and cheer us by thy drawing nigh; disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
5. O come, thou Key of David, come and open wide our heav'nly home; make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

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 sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

The Sending Hymn: I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art | 168

1. I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart, who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
2. Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in ev'ry place: so come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
3. Thou art the Life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive; O comfort us in death's approaching hour, strong-hearted then to face it by thy pow'r.
4. Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness, no harshness hast thou and no bitterness: make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee and ever stay in thy sweet unity.
5. Our hope is in no other save in thee; our faith is built upon thy promise free; O grant to us such stronger hope and sure that we can boldly conquer and endure.

Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21

Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever... *so that all the peoples will say...*

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

Questions for Reflection

1. What is your life goal?
2. Why is there a race for the toys of this world?
3. What is the one thing that matters in life?
4. What did C.S. Lewis say was the Great Story?
5. Are there 'social joys' in heaven?
6. Why do people get distracted regarding the subject of Israel?
7. In a day which stresses 'human rights', does God have 'rights'? What are they?

John Piper: "When this age is over... missions will be no more. It is a temporary necessity. Missions exist because worship doesn't."

Today at CVPC:

Youth Group: Youth will meet at 5pm tonight at CVPC.
The **Leavengood/Collins Voyles/Townes Growth Groups** are assigned to Overflow this week.

Announcements:

Children's Choir: CVPC Children's Chorus will begin rehearsing tonight from 5:30-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall/Morse Room. This will continue each Sunday through December 12 when we have our Lessons & Carols Service. All children K-5th are invited to participate; younger children may participate with the aid of a parent. We will not rehearse on Oct. 31 and Nov. 28. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please contact Scott Finch.

Youth Oktoberfest: Youth are invited Saturday, October 23 at 5:30pm to our annual Oktoberfest Celebration at the Lynch's Home. Drinks and fun will be provided. Please contact Laura Dueitt with any questions.

Men's Gathering: Join us Tuesday, November 2, at 6pm at the Collins Home. It will be an evening with food, fellowship and testimony. Please contact Albert Leavengood with any questions.

Happy Birthday!

Please join CVPC in wishing a Happy Birthday for the month of October:

Ethan Kennedy | Oct. 20
Joe Moore | Oct. 23
Daniel Sterkel | Oct. 26
Jim Richter | Oct. 27
Danida Dukes | Oct. 28
Anne Marr | Oct. 29

CVPC would like to wish a Happy Anniversary to Travis & Ashlee Wallick and also to Ken & Theresa Heet!

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 of October 18-24	Week of October 25-31
MONDAY	3PM: Monday Music 4:30PM: Manse Reserved 6PM: ACA Meeting (Gym) 6:30PM Leadership Training (Louis Home)	3PM: Monday Music 4:30PM: Manse Reserved 6PM: ACA Meeting (Gym) 6:30PM Leadership Training (Granberry Home)
TUESDAY	Presbytery	6PM: Session Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10AM: Women's Bible Study 5:30PM: Chaplin/S/W GG 6PM: Voyles/Townes GG 6PM: Louis GG 6PM: Women's Bible Study (Schimpf Home)	10AM: Women's Bible Study 5:30PM: Chaplin/Staven/Wallick GG 6PM: Voyles/Townes GG 6PM: Louis GG 6PM: Women's Bible Study (Schimpf Home)
THURSDAY	6PM: Trail Life 6PM: Kennedy GG 6:30:Marr GG	6PM: Kennedy GG
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY	7 & 8:30 AM: Men's Study & Discipleship 9AM: Leadership Training (CVPC) 10AM: Food Network 6PM: Finch/Henry Growth Group 5:30PM: Oktoberfest	7 & 8:30 AM: Men's Study & Discipleship 9AM: Leadership Training (CVPC)
SUNDAY	9AM: Sunday School 10:30AM: Worship 5PM: Leavengood/Collins GG 5PM: Youth Group 5:30PM: Children's Choir	9AM: Sunday School 10:30AM: Worship 5PM: Leavengood/Collins GG 5PM: Youth Group
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