

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 | March 17, 2024 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

O Lord God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, let your ear be attentive and your eyes open, to hear the prayer of your servants that we now pray before you day and night for your people who gather in your name around the globe. We are your servants and your people, whom you have redeemed by your great power and by your strong hand. O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayers of your servants, and to the prayer of your servants who delight to fear your name, and give success to us today by your Holy Spirit, and grant us mercy to worship you in Spirit and in Truth in this hour. Train us to heed your voice for the sake of Jesus and the glory of your Triune Name. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Revelation 5:1-10 | Reader: Gabriella Bridges

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the

* Please stand as you are able.

Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

*Call to Worship: Psalm 102:18-28

L: Let this be recorded for a generation to come, so that a people yet to be created may praise the Lord: that he looked down from his holy height; from heaven the Lord looked at the earth,

ALL: To hear the groans of the prisoners, to set free those who were doomed to die, that they may declare in Zion the name of the Lord, and in Jerusalem his praise, when peoples gather together, and kingdoms, to worship the Lord.

L: He has broken my strength in midcourse; he has shortened my days. "O my God," I say, "take me not away in the midst of my days—you whose years endure throughout all generations!"

ALL: Of old you laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away, but you are the same, and your years have no end. The children of your servants shall dwell secure;

L: This is the Word of the Lord! ALL: Thanks be to God!

*Song of Adoration: Fairest Lord Jesus | 170

1. Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2. Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3. Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry hosts: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.

4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

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 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 & Assurance of Pardon

ALL: O Lord, when we reflect on our fears, the multiple anxieties, and doubts of this past week, we often feel paralyzed given what you have called us to do. In these moments we tend to forget our first love and our eagerness to exert more control is evidence of our lack of trust in your loving sovereignty. Please stir our hearts up with more faith. Thank you, Jesus, for pouring out your Holy Spirit who is willing to strengthen us in the midst of our unbelief. Give us more courage. Give us more peace. Give us more love. Please grant us grace upon grace. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

A time of silent confession.

L: My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. And by this, we know that we have come to know him if we keep his commandments.

*Song of the Month: Protect Me, O My God (See Page 7.)

Sermon: "Humility of Jesus" | Philippians 2:1-11

*Song of Response: Only a Holy God (See page 8.)

The Sacrament of Communion

*Doxological Hymn: Come Thou Almighty King | 101 (final stanza)

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. Amen.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

*Sending Hymn: Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem | 271

1. Sing, choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ, your sweetest notes employ the paschal victory to hymn in songs of holy joy, in songs of holy joy, in songs of holy joy!

2. For Judah's Lion burst his chains and crushed the serpent's head, and crushed the serpent's head; Christ cries aloud through death's domains to wake the imprisoned dead, to wake the imprisoned dead.

3. Triumphant in his glory now to him all power is giv'n to him all power is giv'n; to him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven, all saints in earth and heaven, all saints in earth and heaven.

4. All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son, all glory to the Son, all glory to the Spirit be while endless ages run, while endless ages run.

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: Philippians 2:1-11

1. In what ways does Isaiah 53 help us understand the blessing of the incarnation?

2. How is Christ's humility displayed in this passage?

3. What are some of the lessons this passage teaches us about humility, pride, and submission?

4. During the time of Paul, humility was seen as a vice, not a virtue–an attribute of slaves, not free people. How is humility viewed today in our culture, as a virtue or a vice?

<u>Today at CVPC</u>

The **A. Leavengood/G. Collins Growth Group** is in Overflow. **Prayer Time in the Manse** following worship. The **Youth Group** will meet tonight at 5:00pm.

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

Patty Tate | March 18 Barb Michal, Isaiah Staven | March 19 Annah Cauley | March 20

Holy Week Events Palm Sunday Breakfast: Join us for a Palm Sunday Potluck Breakfast <u>next</u> <u>Sunday, March 24 at 9:00am</u>. Please bring your favorite breakfast dish or two to share and be enjoyed by all! If you have any questions, please contact Liz Topping.

Maundy Thursday Meal and Service: Mark your calendars for our Maundy Thursday Dinner on <u>Thursday, March</u> 28, at 6:00pm in the gym, followed by a time of worship. Please bring your favorite entrée and a side or dessert to

share.

Good Friday Service: Please join us on <u>Friday, March 29 at 6:00pm</u> for our Good Friday Service as we observe the commemoration of the crucifixion of our Lord. Venmo: You are welcome to tithe on Venmo @CVPC_1.

Visitors, we welcome you to CVPC! Connect by texting Pastor Collins your name. His number is (601) 317-3041.



Visit the website at <u>chattvalleypca.com</u>. To get on the church email list, contact the church secretary: <u>secretary@chattvalleypca.com</u>.

Upcoming Events at CVPC

	March 17-23	March 24-30
SUNDAY:	9:00am Sunday School	9:00am Palm Sunday Breakfast
	10:30am Worship	10:30am Worship
	12:00pm Prayer Time	12:00pm Y'all Come Potluck
	5:00pm Youth Group	5:00pm Youth Group
MONDAY:	10:00am Mom's Group	10:00am Mom's Group
	4:30pm Manse Reserved	4:30pm Manse Reserved
	5:30pm Monday Night Music	5:30pm Monday Night Music
	7:00pm Men's Parallel Bible Study	7:00pm Women's Parallel Bible Study
TUESDAY:	6:00pm Session Meeting	
WEDNESDAY	10:00am Women's Bible Study	10:00am Women's Bible Study
	5:00pm Women's Bible Study	5:00pm Women's Bible Study
THURSDAY		6:00pm Maundy Thursday Dinner
FRIDAY		6:00pm Good Friday Service
SATURDAY:	7:00am Men's Bible Study	7:00am Men's Bible Study
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	Avery Radmacher	Avery Radmacher
Grandbarra	Lillian Hutchison	Joli Moore
Greeters	Kelly Henry	Laura Dueitt
	Linda Schimpf	Sam Dueitt
Ushers	Gareth Jones & Lou Schimpf	Gareth Jones & Vicki Granberry
Overflow	A. Leavengood/G. Collins	Voyles/Townes
Youth Group	Youth Group in the Gym	Youth Group in the Gym
Nursery: Sunday School	Jemima Ragland & Rob Chaplin	Lucie Chaplin &Gerald Collins
Nursery: Worship	Lauren Williamson, Karen Leavengood, Kathryn Leavengood, Andrew Leavengood	Paula Lynch, Karen Collins, Scott Kennedy, Oliver Kennedy

BB59 Psalm 16 - Protect Me, O My God

A Messianic Psalm of Comfort



BB60 Only a Holy God

