

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 | April 21, 2024 Liturgist: Brad Voyles | Sermon: Dennis Louis Worship Leader: Will Stewart

*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, you have called us out today by your mercy and grace. We have not been forsaken because you are faithful and good. We are not alone because you have made us part of your family in Christ Jesus. We have your Holy Spirit who enables us to worship you for who you are and what you have done. Give us the energy and the focus in this hour to grasp the height, the width, and the depth of your love for us so that we may praise you all the more. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: 1 Kings 18:36-39 | Reader: Emma Martin

And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, "O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. Answer me, O Lord, answer me, that this people may know that you, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The Lord, he is God; the Lord, he is God."

*Call to Worship: Psalm 150

L: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! ALL: Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

L: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

ALL: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

L: Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

ALL: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn of Adoration: O Worship the King | 2

1. O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor 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 pow'r 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.

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

ALL: O God, we are weary from the burdens of this life and often feel weighed down by our sin and the brokenness in this world. You have promised that if we confess our sins by faith that we will be forgiven. Cleanse us from our unrighteousness and restore to us the joy of our salvation. 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: Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me (See page 7.)

Sermon: "A Gospel Rich Marriage" | Ephesians 5:22-33

*Song of Response: O God, How Good Thou Art (See Page 8.)

The Sacrament of Communion

*Doxological Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King | 115 (final stanza)

5. Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one, O praise him, o praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

*Sending Hymn: Abide With Me | 402

1. Abide with me: fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide: when other helpers fail, and comforts flee, help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see; O thou who changest not, abide with me.

3. I need thy presence every passing hour; what but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

4. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless: ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

5. Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes; shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies: heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee: in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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 peoples will say...

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

Questions for Reflection: Ephesians 5:22-33

1. What is Paul trying to communicate by linking the work of the Holy Spirit to marriage?

2. Paul calls wives to submit to their husbands. What does the word submit mean? What does submission look like in marriage?

3. Paul calls men to love their wives like Christ loves the church. What are some of the ways Paul gives in the text that the husband should love his wife?

4. Do you think these roles are culturally conditioned or do you think they are normative for every culture?

5. Do you think your marriage reflects these roles well?

Today at CVPC

The **Kennedy Growth Group** is in Overflow. **Youth Group** will meet tonight at 5:00pm.

Please join CVPC in wishing a Happy Birthday to the following: April Bruce | April 21 Andy Burnette | April 22 Callum Jones | April 25 Isaiah Hansen, Benjamin Williams | April 26 Zev Wallick | April 27

Photo Directory Update: During the month of April, we are updating our church directory. Sydney Kennedy will be available every Sunday this month following morning worship from <u>12:00-1:00pm</u> to take individual and family pictures. Please meet Sydney in front of the Manse immediately following morning worship to have your pictures updated. 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

	April 21-27	April 28 - May 4
SUNDAY:	9:00am Sunday School	9:00am Sunday School
	10:30am Worship	10:30am Worship
	5:00pm Youth Group	12:00pm Y'all Come Potluck
		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 Women's Parallel Study	7:00pm Men's Parallel Study
TUESDAY:	6:00pm Session Meeting	
WEDNESDAY:	10:00am Women's Bible Study	10:00am Women's Bible Study
	10:30pm Villa Way Coffee &	5:00pm Women'sBible Study
	Conversation	
	5:00pm Women's Bible Study	
THURSDAY		
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY:	7:00am Men's Bible Study	7:00am Men's Bible Study
Elder On Call	bradvoyles@chattvalleypca.com	
Deacon On Call	samtownes@chattvalleypca.com	
Greeters	Joli Moore, Sandra Williams	Joli Moore, Malia Buchanan, Audrey
	Ruth Grady, and Grady Collins	Boerman, and Audrey Dueitt
Ushers	Chris Gregory & Aidan Kennedy	Chris Gregory & Pam Kennedy
Overflow	Kennedy	D. Leavengood / R. Collins
Youth Group	Youth Group in the Gym	Youth Group in the Gym
Nursery: Sunday School	Kelli Voyles & Rob Chaplin	Lucie Chaplin & Gerald Collins
Nursery:	Joli Moore, Vicki Granberry, Lucie	April Bruce, Ruth Grady, Jessica
Worship	Chaplin, and Elizabeth Dukes	Hansen, and Robin Hansen

BB63 Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me



race is com-plete, still my lips shall re - peat:____

BB55 O God, How Good Thou Art (Psalm 73)

G.Wilbur/arr. Staven/Finch

