

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 7, 2024 Liturgist: Rob Chaplin | Sermon: Roger Collins 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

Our God, we pause this morning to hear from your throne. We continue to give you thanks for your provisions in our lives. Our homes, the food we eat, the cars we drive, the jobs we have are all good gifts from your hand. Instead of feeling entitled we are dumbfounded at your love or us in Christ. You have gone out of your way to forgive us and adopt us as your children. We are asking that you would give us the focus and courage to praise you with our whole heart, soul, strength, and mind. Pour out your Holy Spirit so that we may worship you aright. Thank you for hearing us in Jesus' name. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Exodus 15:1-14 | Reader: Olivia Vande Kerkhoff

Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying, "I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. The Lord is a man of war; the Lord is his name. "Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea, and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea. The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power, your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy. In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble. At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea. The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.' You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

"Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? You stretched out your right hand; the earth swallowed them. "You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 146

L: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

ALL: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

L: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

ALL: The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

L: The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

ALL: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn of Adoration: Great Is Thy Faithfulness | 32

- 1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
- 2. Summer and winter and spring-time and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
- 3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see: all I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

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: Beautiful Savior and coming King, we are weary and our eyes feel dim because of sin. Even in this moment, we find it hard to focus and our hearts are filled with restless doubts. At times this week we have lived as though we imagined that you will not come again for us. We have placed more importance on the things that can be seen than what you have called us to accept with the eyes of faith. We run to caffeine instead of Christ for relief. We are drawn to cope using too much sleep rather than finding our comfort in your Holy Spirit. We run toward food for stability in place of our faithful Father. We delight in the sense of belonging we feel in our temporal relationships, our families, our favorite athletic teams more than being secure in our eternal Redeemer. We dare to feel important because of our daily efforts rather than standing in awe in light of your wondrous cross. We feel so needy because we are. And yet, we know that your Word declares that we do not remotely fathom our need as we should. Teach us in this hour to depend more fully on you, because, you, O God, are rich in mercy and compassion. You have declared that you will forgive us as dear children and will not cast out any bruised reed for the sake of your Holy Name. You have said that you are faithful and will cleanse us from all unrighteousness. So here we are again asking in faith for more grace, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

A time of Silent Confession.

L: The Lord has hidden his face from our sin. He has blotted out all of our iniquity. In Christ and his cross, he has created within us a clean heart and renewed a right spirit within us, so that we are not cast away from his presence. We are endowed with his Holy Spirit, restored to the joy of God's salvation, and given a willing spirit to do all that he asks and desires of us. For in Christ Jesus, the perfect suffered for the imperfect, the sinless became sin for the sinner; we are forgiven and freed to live in a right relationship with God. Brothers and sisters, you are forgiven, indeed! Amen.

*Song of the Month: Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me (See page 7.)

Sermon: "For the Joy" | Hebrews 12:1-2

*Song of Response: In Christ Alone (See Page 8.)

The Sacrament of Communion

*Doxological Hymn: Arise, O God | 442 (final stanza)

4. To God, the only wise, the one immortal King, let hallelujahs rise from every living thing: let all that breathe, on every coast, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

*Sending Song: O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus | 535

- 1. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free; rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me. Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love; leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.
- 2. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore; how he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore; how he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own; how for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.
- 3. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of every love the best: 'tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.

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: Hebrews 12:1-2

- 1. How do your family stories define you?
- 2. In what ways does joy shape your ambitions?
- 3. How does joy fit into your understanding of the gosepl?

Today at CVPC

The **Chaplin Growth Group** is in Overflow. **No Youth Group** tonight.

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

Debbie Weisheit | April 7 Linda Schimpf | April 11 Maggie Gregory | April 12 Alex Chaplin, Tallis Finch | April 13

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

Exam Cram Bags: We want to bless our college students by providing them with exam cram bags as they enter exam season. Contributions will be gathered in the church foyer <u>starting this Sunday and continuing until April 21.</u> If you have any questions, please contact Joli Moore.

New Sunday School Class: Please join us on April 14 at 9:00 am in the gym as we begin a new Sunday school class on modern-day cultural issues the church faces today.

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.

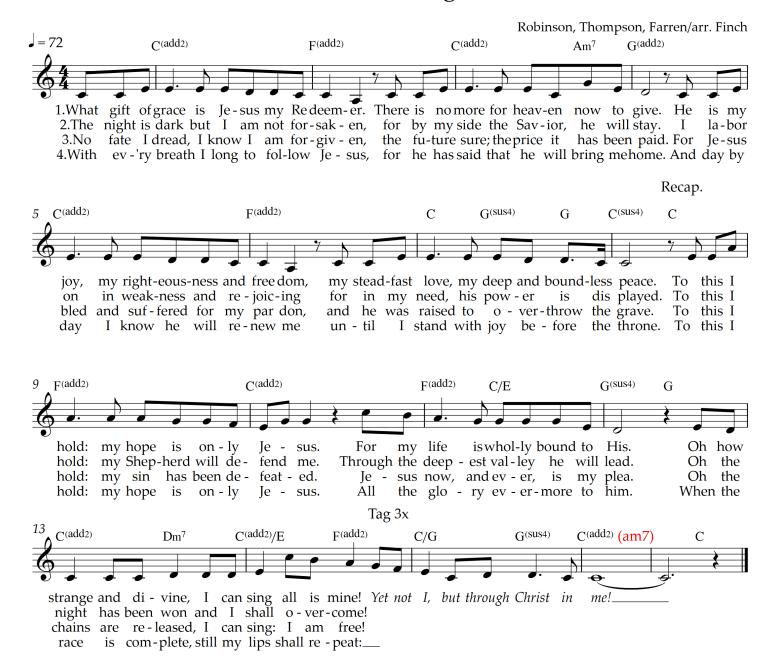


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Upcoming Events at CVPC

	April 7-13	April 14-20
SUNDAY:	9:00am Sunday School	9:00am Sunday School
	10:30am Worship	10:30am Worship
	2:00pm Manse Reserved	12:00pm Y'all Come Potluck
	4:00pm Missions Meeting	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 Bible Study	7:00pm Men's Parallel Bible Study
TUESDAY:	7:30pm CE Meeting	6:00pm Session Meeting
	7:00pm WLT 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		
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY:	7:00am Men's Bible Study	7:00am Men's Bible Study
	8:30am Serving Saints	3:00pm Church Gym Reserved
	9:00am Joint Leaders Meeting	
Elder On Call	bradvoyles@chattvalleypca.com	
Deacon On Call	samtownes@chattvalleypca.com	
Greeters	Joli Moore, Doug Leavengood	Joli Moore, Sandra Williams
	Lois Leavengood, and Oliver Kennedy	Ruth Grady, and Grady Collins
Ushers	Chris Gregory & Gerald Collins	Chris Gregory & Aidan Kennedy
Overflow	Chaplin	Louis
Youth Group	No Youth Group	Youth Group in the Gym
Nursery: Sunday School	Jen Finch & Kelli Voyles	Theresa Louis & Lynda Henry
Nursery:	Amie Brown, Aidan Kennedy, Jemima	Rachel Staven, Anna Staven, Rob
Worship	Ragland, Lena Collins	Chaplin, Lexi Jones

BB63 Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me



BB 003 In Christ Alone

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend arr. Finch

