

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 | February 25, 2024 Liturgist: Roger Collins | 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, how excellent is your loving kindness, O God; your children put our trust under the shadow of your wings. Satisfy us now with the goodness of your eternal house. In your light make us to see the light. Cause your Holy Spirit be with us in prayer and praise, in speaking and hearing from your holy Word. And bless us with all spiritual blessing in Jesus Christ, for His name's sake. Amen.

Welcome and Greeting

Meditation: Hebrews 7:20-28 | Reader: Karis Pohl

And it was not without an oath. For those who formerly became priests were made such without an oath, but this one was made a priest with an oath by the one who said to him: "The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind, 'You are a priest forever.'" This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant. The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

*Please stand as you are able.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 4

L: Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

ALL: O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.

L: Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent. Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.

ALL: There are many who say, "Who will show us some good? Lift up the light of your face upon us, O Lord!" You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound.

L: In peace I will both lie down and sleep;

ALL: For you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*Song of Adoration: We Lift Up as a Shield God's Name | 104

1. We lift up as our shield God's name, the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same: the Three in One and One in Three, our Rock and Tower, God of Light, Eternal Father, Spirit, Word; we claim the name of grace and might: salvation is of Christ the Lord.

2. Immanuel, incarnate Lord, from Mary's womb was given breath, was baptized at the Jordan's ford, and gave his life to conquer death. He rose triumphant from the tomb, was lifted to the Father's throne to come on God's dread day of doom and bring salvation for his own.

3. By faith we claim his grace today: the power of God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his might to stay, his ear to hearken to our need; the wisdom of our God to teach, his hand to guide, his shield to ward, the word of God to give us speech, his heavenly host to be our guard.

Prayer of Adoration & 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.

Reading from the Belgic Confession of Faith Article 21: Of the satisfaction of Christ, our only High Priest, for us.

L: We believe that Jesus Christ is ordained with an oath to be an everlasting High Priest, after the order of Melchisedec; and that he hath presented himself in our behalf before the Father, to appease his wrath by his full satisfaction, by offering himself on the tree of the cross, and pouring out his precious blood to purge away our sins; as the prophets had foretold.

ALL: For it is written: He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed. He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and numbered with the transgressors, and condemned by Pontius Pilate as a malefactor, though he had first declared him innocent.

L: Therefore: he restored that which he took not away, and suffered, the just for the unjust, as well in his body as in his soul, feeling the terrible punishment which our sins had merited; insomuch that his sweat became like unto drops of blood falling on the ground. He called out, my God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? and hath suffered all this for the remission of our sins.

ALL: Wherefore we justly say with the apostle Paul: that we know nothing, but Jesus Christ, and him crucified; we count all things but loss and dung for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord, in whose wounds we find all manner of consolation.

L: Neither is it necessary to seek or invent any other means of being reconciled to God, than this only sacrifice, once offered, by which believers are made perfect forever. ALL: This is also the reason why he was called by the angel of God, Jesus, that is to say, Savior, because he should save his people from their sins.

*Song of the Month: Complete in Thee (See Page 7.)

Sermon: "Filled with Heaven Part 2" | Ephesians 5:15-21

*Song of Response: Behold Our God (See page 8.)

Prayers of the People

*Doxological Hymn: | 303 (final stanza)

4. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, praise to you and adoration! Grant that we your Word may trust and obtain true consolation, while we here below must wander, till we sing your praises yonder. Amen.

Offertory Prayer, Offering, & Opportunities to Serve

*Sending Hymn: Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine | 693

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Benediction: Jude 1:24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever ... so that all the peoples will say...

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

Question for Reflection: Ephesians 5:15-21 Part 2

1. Paul connects walking in wisdom (vs. 15-17) with being filled with the Holy Spirit (vs. 18). Why do you think this connection is so important?

2. Paul juxtaposes "be not drunk with wine" with "be filled with the Spirit." How does being drunk with wine help us understand what it means to be filled with the Spirit?

3. Being filled with the Spirit, according to the language Paul uses, is an ongoing process and doesn't happen automatically. What can we do to open ourselves to being filled with the Spirit?

4. Is it possible for a believer to be filled with the Holy Spirit and don't know it?

<u>Today at CVPC</u>

The **Louis Growth Group** is in Overflow. **Y'all Come Potluck Luncheon** following worship. The **Youth Group** will meet tonight at 5:00pm.

Please join CVPC in wishing a Happy Birthday to the following: Isabel Kennedy, Steve Toppings | February 27 Kat Pool | February 28 Haley Brown | February 29

Missions Conference: Mark your calendar for CVPC's annual Missions Conference NEXT WEEK, <u>March 2-3</u>. This year's conference will focus on local missions. Please bring your favorite dish to share for our Old-Fashioned Southern Supper this coming <u>Saturday, March 2,</u> <u>at 5pm</u>, followed by a presentation by Michele Cheresnick from Choices. Join us also on <u>Sunday, March 3, at 9am</u> for Sunday School with Mark Michal and for <u>10:30am</u> worship with Pastor Randy Nabors.

Men & Women's Parallel Bible Study:

We invite you to attend a new Bible study beginning next month. A men's and women's group will study the book of John on alternate Monday evenings from <u>7:00pm to 8:30pm</u> in the Manse. The men's group will start on <u>March 4th</u>, and the women's group will begin on <u>March 11th</u>. If you have any questions, contact Rachel Staven at 423-665-9679 or <u>stavenre@gmail.com</u>. 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>.

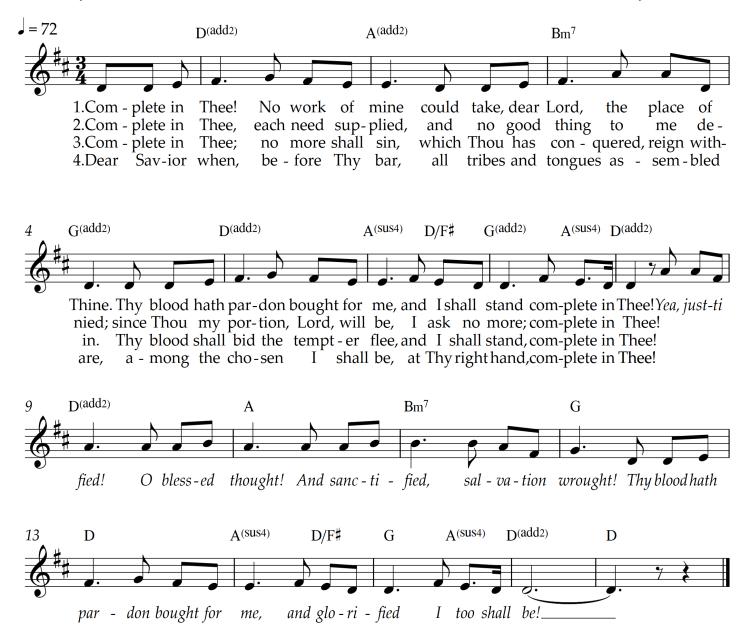
Upcoming Events at CVPC

	February 25 - March 2	March 3–9
SUNDAY:	9:00am Sunday School	9:00am Sunday School
	10:30am Worship	10:30am Worship
	12:00pm Y'all Come Potluck	4:00pm Missions Meeting
	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 NEW Men's Bible Study
		8:00pm Diaconate Meeting
TUESDAY:		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
	5:00pm Old-Fashioned Southern	8:30am Serving Saints
	Supper & Choices Presentation	
Elder On Call	pastorroger@chattvalleypca.com	
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	Vicki Granberry	Avery Radmacher
	Travis Wallick	Karen Collins
Greeters	Roger Collins	Lynda Henry
	Abel Wallick	Claire Collins
Ushers	Sam Townes & Gerald Collins	Josh Henry & Scott Kennedy
Overflow	Louis	Kennedy
Youth Group	Youth Group in the Gym	Youth Group in the Gym
Nursery: Sunday School	Lucie Chaplin, Gerald Collins	Jen Finch, Kelli Voyles
Nursery: Worship	David Marr, Charlotte Tuma'e, Isabel Kennedy, Maddy Louis	Joe Moore, Pam Kennedy, Ethan Kennedy, Andrew Chaplin

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