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**Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church**

*Service of Worship*

*Sunday, February 25 2007*

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*\* Please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Greetings & Life of the Church

Meditation

*The Call of Jeremiah*

Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the Lord." Jeremiah 1:4-8

*God Calls His People to Worship<sup>1</sup> ...*

The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice;  
let the many coastlands be glad!

Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;  
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Fire goes before him and burns up his adversaries all around. ...

The heavens proclaim his righteousness,  
and all the peoples see his glory.

All worshippers of images are put to shame,  
who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!

... O you who love the Lord, hate evil!

**He preserves the lives of his saints;  
he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**

**Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in  
heart. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,  
and give thanks to his holy name!**

Psalm 97

*... His People Come by Faith ...*

\*Jehovah is the Lord

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\*Invocation & Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in 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

*God Tunes the Heart of His People ...*

*... through our Confession of Faith...*

**Q: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?**

A: That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and in death – to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing, ready, and able from now on to live for him.

**Q: Christian, what must you know to live and die in the joy and hope of this comfort?**

A: Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; and third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

*... through our Declaration of Praise ...*

\*O Father, You Are Sovereign

Hymn #75

\*We Bow Down

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*... God Teaches His People...*

Hymn of Preparation

Spirit of the Living God, #726

Scripture Reading

Acts 9:10-19

Message

Enemies at the Gate

\*Take My Life, and Let it Be

Hymn# 585

*God's People Respond to His Word by Faith...*

Prayers of the People

Missions Focus  
Ms. Mandy Massingill

\*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

Praise him, all creatures here below!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts!

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

*We Offer Ourselves & Our Resources to Him*

*God Sends His People Out with His Blessing ...*

\*The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear

Hymn #368

\* God's Benediction<sup>2</sup>

"The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Thus you shall bless My people:

'The Lord bless you and keep you;

the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.'

In this way shall I put my name upon my people, and I will bless them."

Numbers 6:24-26

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<sup>1</sup> "Worship" is not something that WE initiate; not primarily something that WE do for GOD; rather, God initiates and directs worship as a means by which HE shapes and tunes US to declare and display HIS glory in Christ for HIS pleasure and our good.

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<sup>2</sup> "Benediction" is the "good Word" of God's blessing by which He secures, sustains and equips his people to display His glory

