
Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church
Service of Worship
Sunday September 07, 2008

** Please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Greetings & Life of the Church

Please take a moment to greet one another according to the Good News of the Gospel: we who were dead are made alive by God's abounding grace and mercy in Jesus Christ!

Meditation

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live."

John 14:15-19

God Gathers His People ...

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

Psalms 95:1-6

**Jehovah is the Lord*

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¹ "Worship" is not something that WE initiate; not primarily something that WE do for GOD; rather, God calls us to worship as a means of His grace by which to shape and tune US to declare and display HIS glory in Christ for HIS pleasure and our good.

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.

Amen²

God Tunes the Heart of His People ...

... through the Declaration of our Faith...

Leader: You showed favor to your land, O LORD; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people and covered all their sins. You set aside all your wrath and turned from your fierce anger.

Congregation: Restore us again, O God our Savior, and put away your displeasure toward us. Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger through all generations? Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? Show us your unfailing love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

Leader: I will listen to what God the LORD will say; he promises peace to his people, his saints— but let them not return to folly. Surely his salvation is near those who fear him that his glory may dwell in our land.

Congregation: Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. The LORD will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.

Psalms 85

... for the Praise of His Glory ...

**Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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² "Amen" grows from the Hebrew root meaning "true and faithful;" we pray with hope and confidence because our covenant God is "true and faithful" to his covenant promises.

... God Teaches His People...

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:1-5

Message

Wait! It Isn't Over Yet

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

** ... through hymns ...*

**Praise the Savior Now and Ever*

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... prayers ...

Prayers Offered by the People

** ... praise ...*

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!

... and Sacrifices of Thanksgiving ...

... Offering Ourselves & Our Resources to Him

God Sends His People Out with His Blessing ...

**The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

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**God's Benediction³*

Leader: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace so that all the peoples may say,

Congregation: "Amen! Our LORD is faithful!" Praise the LORD.

³ "Benediction" is the "good Word" of God's blessing by which He secures, sustains and equips his people by his steadfast, covenantal love in Christ for the display of His glory

Jehovah is the Lord

Adams' Apple Music, 1997

Who alone is Lord God Almighty? Who alone is glorious?
Who will judge the nations rightly?
Who will bring His kingdom to us?

CHORUS

Jehovah is the Lord God Almighty, He alone is glorious!
Justice from the Lord shines brightly; Praise His sov'reign holiness!

Bow before the King in worship, Bring your offerings to His throne!
We will serve the Lord God Almighty, We will serve our God alone!
-- *Chorus* --

Heav'n and earth will bow before Him, All created bend the knee!
In His glory we will behold Him, Worship Him in majesty!
-- *Chorus* --

Sermon Notes

Passage: Acts 1:1-5

Message: Wait! It Isn't Over Yet!

"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. Amen."

But Stop. Look. Consider. Wait. It's not over, it's only just begun!

Jesus' "Life & Ministry" Continues ...

Jesus' Presence Continues ...

Jesus' Provision Continues ...

- Assurance
- Guidance
- Wisdom

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overwhelmed by the glory of God and transformed by the grace and
peace of God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ
working in His people empowered by His Spirit for His glory.*

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