
Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship

Sunday September 21, 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

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation. 1 Peter 2:9-12

God Gathers His People¹ ...

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations. For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness." You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: 'I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations.'" Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! Psalm 89:1-5

**I greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* #168

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 ...

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Psalm 33:1-5

God's People Make known His Steadfast Love

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine. Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you. Psalm 33:18-22

God's People Declare their Praises

**In the Lord Alone* Insert
**We Bow Down* Insert

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 2:42-47

Message *The Answer to So Many Questions*
Rev. Joe Moore

**May the Mind of Christ My Savior* #644

Celebration of Communion

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

** ... through 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 ...

**Christ We Do All Adore Thee* #737

** 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

In the Lord, the Lord Alone

In the Lord the Lord alone, are righteousness and strength
The height and breadth and length of love is found in Him!
In the Lord the Lord alone are righteousness and strength,
In the Lord, in the Lord alone!

In the Lord the Lord alone are life and health and peace;
His mercies and His loving kindness never cease!
In the Lord the Lord alone are life and health and peace;
In the Lord, in the Lord alone!

In the Lord the Lord alone is everything I need;
The Son of Man now reigning high will intercede!
In the Lord the Lord alone is everything I need;
In the Lord, in the Lord alone!

WE BOW DOWN

Twila Paris

You are Lord of creation and Lord of my life!
Lord of the land and the sea!
You were Lord of the heavens before there was time,
And Lord of all lords you will be!
We bow down and we worship you, Lord (3x)
Lord of all lords you will be!

You are King of creation and King of my life!
King of the land and the sea!
You were King of the heavens before there was time,
And King of all kings you will be!
We bow down and we worship you, Lord (3x)
King of all kings you will be!

Sermon Notes

Passage: Acts 2:42-47

Message: The Answer to So Many Questions

“What is Jesus doing in his church today? How can I have a vibrant Christian life? How can I encourage others in their everyday lives?” The fundamental answers to these and many other questions are actually the same.

1. The answer is found in the Word of God.

2. The answer is found in fellowship with the people of God.

3. The answer is found in the Worship of God.

4. The answer is found in serving in the Kingdom of God.

If we want answers to the important questions of life, each of these things must be given our consistent attention and heartfelt commitment every day and every moment.

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