
Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church
Service of Worship
Sunday November 2, 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

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3:14-17

God Gathers His People¹ ...

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King. Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress.

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers, consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels, that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever.

Psalm 48:1-3:12-14

**Great is the Lord*

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Invocation & Lord's Prayer

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.

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 His People ...

... through Confession of Sin...

Almighty God, who art rich in mercy to all those who call upon Thee; Hear us as we come to Thee humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, and imploring Thy mercy and forgiveness. We have broken Thy holy laws by our deeds and words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before Thee our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness; And all our failures and shortcomings toward Thee and our fellow men. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; And of Thy great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please Thee in newness of life; Through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

...through Assurance of Pardon...

For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance--now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant. Hebrews 9:15

...To declare the Praise of His Glory

**Wonderful Merciful Savior*

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**Shout to the Lord*

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... God Teaches His People...

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.

Scripture Reading

Acts 12:18-25

Message

Securing the Peace of the City

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

**... through hymns ...*

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May the mind of Christ Our Savior

... and offerings ...

... Offering Ourselves as Instruments of His Peace for the City

** ... 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 Tithes of Thanksgiving ...

... Committing our Resources to Him

God Sends His People Out with His Blessing ...

** Christ, We Do All Adore Thee*

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** God's Benediction³*

Leader: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever that all the peoples may say:

Congregation: "Amen! The 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

Sermon Notes

Passage: Acts 12:18-25

Message: *Securing the Peace of the City*

Because the continuing reign of Jesus' Justice/Mercy secures his Peace for the city, we can and must worship, fellowship, and serve among the city as instruments of his peace with confident hope.

... confident hope in the midst of Corruption ...

... confident hope in the face of Opposition ...

... confident hope in the Pattern of Christ ...

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