
Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church
Service of Worship¹
Sunday, January 25, 2009

** Please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Greetings & Life of the Church

Meditation

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!

The young lions suffer want and hunger;
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Psalm 34:8-10

God Gathers His People by His Grace ...

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 Join their Voices in Praise ...

**Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

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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. Amen²

God encourages His People by His Grace ...

...through the Power of his word...

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior
appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in
righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of
regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on
us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his
grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
Titus 3:4-7

... through Declaring our Faith...

Question 1. What is your only comfort in life and death?

Answer: That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my
own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with his
precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me
from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the
will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; that all
things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy
Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely
willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.

Question 2. How many things are necessary for you to know, that
you, enjoying this comfort, may live and die happily?

Answer: Three; the first, how great my sins and miseries are; the
second, how I may be delivered from all my sins and miseries; the
third, how I shall express my gratitude to God for such deliverance.

Heidelberg Confession

... resulting in Praise to our God through Christ our Lord

**O Church Arise!*

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... God Strengthens His People with His Grace...

Scripture Reading

Acts 14:24-28

Message

Mission Accomplished

God's People Respond to Him in Grace ...

**... with hymns ...*

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... through his Church ...

Reception of New Members

Mr. Thomas Pinckney & Mr. Micheal Bowser

** ... and 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!

... with Tithes and Offerings of Thanksgiving ...

... Committing our Resources to Him

God Sends His People in Grace ...

** ... with Rejoicing*

Roman's Doxology

**... and the Benediction³ of His Grace*

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.

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.

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.

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

For Individual & Family Worship

Week of Jan 25 – Jan 31, 2009

As we systematically read through the Bible together following this plan, we will gain an appreciation for God's story of Glory, Grace and Truth displayed through the ages among and through his people. It is a story filled with intrigue, deception, colossal failures and even greater stories of redemption. Once this becomes a part of our normal routine, we will be amazed how these stories come to mind in the face of daily life challenges.

Scripture Reading:	Morning	Evening
Sunday:		Prov 8
Monday:	Gn 33&34, Ps 31, Mt 18:21-19:12	Prov 9
Tuesday:	Gn 35, Ps 32&33, Mt 19:13-30	Prov 10
Wednesday:	Gn 36, Ps 34, Mt 20	Prov 11
Thursday:	Gn 37, Ps 35, Mt 21:1-22	Prov 12
Friday:	Gn 38, Ps 36, Mt 21:23-46	Prov 13
Saturday:	Gn 39&40, Ps 37, Mt 22:1-22	Prov 14

Similarly, as we participate in the hymns and prayers of God's people in Christ from throughout history, we will gain an appreciation for the continuing, present unfolding of God's story of Glory and Grace in Jesus among his people by his Spirit.

Hymn:

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder (Trinity, #172)

1. Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name! He has hushed the law's loud thunder, he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame: he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.
2. Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies, called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes: he has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God.
3. Let us sing, though fierce temptation threaten hard to bear us down! For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqueror's crown: he who washed us with his blood soon will bring us home to God.
4. Let us wonder; grace and justice join and point to mercy's store; when through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more: he who washed us with his blood has secured our way to God.
5. Let us praise, and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high; here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky: "You have washed us with your blood; you are worthy, Lamb of God!"

Prayer in Fellowship with the Church:

Merciful Lord, the comforter and teacher of your faithful people, increase in your church the desires which you have given, and confirm the hearts of those who hope in you by enabling them to understand the depth of your promises, that all your adopted children may even now behold, with the eyes of faith, and patiently wait for, the light which as yet you do not openly manifest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

-- Ambrose of Milan (339-397 A.D.)

Sermon Notes

Passage: Acts 14:24-28

Message: Mission Accomplished

Considering our own abilities it is easy to believe that we have come to the end of our rope. In his Word, our Father tells us he won't give us more than we can handle ... but that's because it is not us handling it. Because the circumstances of our new life and work to which we are called take place within the framework of our Father's irresistible and powerful grace in Jesus, we can be certain of completing that which was begun.

Because we are Called by his grace ...

Because we are Committed to his grace ...

Because we are Consumed by his grace ...

... we can be certain that the purposes of his grace in our circumstances will be accomplished for our joy, his glory, and the praise of Jesus Christ.

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(PCA)**

By God's Grace, For God's Glory

... to see Chattanooga Valley and the Nations 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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