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## Chattanooga Valley Presbyterian Church

Service of Worship<sup>1</sup>

Sunday June 14, 2009

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*\* Please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Greetings & Life of the Church

Meditation

The proverbs of Solomon, son of David, king of Israel:

To know wisdom and instruction, to understand words of insight, to receive instruction in wise dealing, in righteousness, justice, and equity; to give prudence to the simple, knowledge and discretion to the youth—

Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance, to understand a proverb and a saying, the words of the wise and their riddles.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 1:1-7

### God Gathers His People ...

But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful. Sing to God, sing praise to his name, extol him who rides on the clouds

- his name is the LORD -

and rejoice before him. A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families, he leads forth the prisoners with singing. Psalm 68:3-6

God's People Join their Voices in Praise ...

*\*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<sup>2</sup>

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

*... By Remembering Our Circumstances...*

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

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*... Proclaiming His Faithfulness...*

Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city,  
the watchman stays awake in vain.

It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest,  
eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep.

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD,  
the fruit of the womb a reward.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth.

Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them!

He shall not be put to shame  
when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

Psalm 127

*... and Declaring our Praise ...*

*\*Holy God, We Praise Your Name*

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

Scripture Reading

*Matthew 9:35-38*

Message

*Christ and Missions*

*Rev. Fred Manning*

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

*\*Lift High The Cross*

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Prayers of 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! Amen.

*... and Tithes and Offerings of Thanksgiving ...*

*... Committing our Resources to Him*

### God Sends His People ...

*\* ... with Rejoicing*

*King of the Nations, Insert*

*\* ... and the Benediction<sup>3</sup> of His Grace*

**Leader:** The Grace, Mercy, and Peace of God the Father through Christ Jesus our Lord by the gift of the Spirit be with you and rest upon you, strengthening you to know the love of Christ in your service to Christ to display the glory of Christ so that all people may say,

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

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<sup>1</sup> At the center of God's strategy "to reconcile to himself all things," is a whole, new creation by and in Jesus Christ and him crucified. The heartbeat of this new creation is worship, a provision of God's grace in Christ, by which we learn to feel, think, speak, and act as God's good people.

<sup>2</sup> "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.

<sup>3</sup> "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

