

Welcome to

**CHATTANOOGA VALLEY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
(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, mercy and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ
by the powerful working of the Holy Spirit among His people
for the display of His glory.

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GATHERED IN CHRIST FOR WORSHIP

Welcome to the Life & Worship of the Church

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Our Father Prepares Us for Worship

Reader: Karen Leavengood

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Hebrews 1:1-4

Our Father Gathers Us For Worship

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Psalm 96:1-2

Hymns: *The church has always been marked by its joyful singing. God's people sing to express our love for God and to remind ourselves of our place in God's redemptive story.*

His People Respond

in Praise

**Let All Things Now Living #125*

and Prayer

**The Lord's Prayer*

* Please stand if you are able.

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.

Our Father Trains Us to Confess God's Truth

Confessing God's Truth

L: O Lord, you have promised that all the kingdoms of this world are passing away and you have outlined in your word that only your kingdom will remain unshaken. As we reflect on the past week we confess that we have looked to the rulers of this world, our jobs, and our families for lasting comfort, security, and hope rather than focusing our faith on the one Sovereign King of the universe whose Word is law and whose Spirit is irresistible.

C: Though your power holds the hearts of kings in the palm of your hand, you are still mindful of the fact that your children are frail and prone to stumble—remember our weakness and pour out your love in these broken vessels. We are empty without you.

L: Our attempts to erect high places of stability and safety in our hearts which have nothing to do with you have crumbled over and over again. We need a foundation that will stand firm even to the end of the age.

C: We claim Christ Jesus as the cornerstone and capstone of our faith and his Holy Spirit as the one who will build us up into the temple not made with hands to be your eternal dwelling place. Give us true liberty—being free from our sin, having been given a deep contentment with your rule in our lives.

L: Declare us righteous because of your justice and compassion since your only begotten Son was given for us and stood in our place. We give thanks to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for your forgiveness and strength to grow in holiness.

Song of Preparation:

**In Christ Alone (see back panel)*

Preaching: *God's ordained means to illuminate and shape our lives by the good news of Jesus Christ by the operation of His Holy Spirit*

Scripture: *Life-giving faith comes from hearing by faith the Word of our Father through Christ.*

Our Father Teaches Us

by the Provision of His Word

I Peter 1:3-12

by the Proclamation of His Word

"The Mercy of the Messiah"

Rev. Steve Atkinson

by the Celebration of His Word

** I Need Thee, Precious Jesus #497*

His People Respond in Faith

Communion

with Praise

**Blessed Jesus at Your Word #303*

with Tithes & Offerings of Treasures, Time, and Talent

Opportunities to Connect, Give and Serve

Our Father Sends Us

With Rejoicing

** Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus #679*

and the Benediction of His Grace

2 Peter 1:2-3

Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue...*so that all the peoples will say....*

C: Amen. Our LORD is faithful. Praise the LORD!