



# worship

at Altadena Valley Presbyterian Church

# Welcome to Altadena Valley

## **We are glad you are here.**

Please visit our website at [www.avpc.org](http://www.avpc.org) for more information about our beliefs, our staff and our ministries.

Here are a few details which might be helpful to you.

- Children are always welcome to participate in worship with their families. But, in case you need it, we do offer childcare for children ages 3 and under during both morning services. Please ask an usher or greeter for directions to where the childcare area is located.
- Children ages 4 through Grade 1 are invited to attend Worship Center. They may meet their teachers in the Welcome Center after the Pastoral Prayer. (The worship leader will indicate when the children can exit the sanctuary.) If you are a first- or second-time visitor, please walk with your child so you are able to register them. Children may be picked up in Sunday School classes after the early service and in the Worship Center Room after the late service.
- A Nursing Mother's room, with an audio feed of the service, is located just outside the Sanctuary, next to the Parlor.
- As part of our discipleship efforts, we are pleased to offer Sunday School for all ages during the hours of 9:45-10:45. Information sheets with a location map of all classes and a list of topics for the adult classes are available in the Welcome Center and Parlor.

If you are visiting with us, we would love an opportunity to get to know you better. Please scan the QR code below, or sign the pew registry pad. We give our first-time visitors a small gift, which you can get in the Welcome Center or Narthex.

*In consideration of others, please silence all electronic devices.*



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 4, 2024 | 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

## PRELUDE

### “Lord, From the Depths I Call To You / I Will Wait For You (Psalm 130)”

Lord, from the depths I call to you; Lord, hear me from on high and give attention to my voice when I for mercy cry. Lord, in your presence who can stand, if you our sins record? But yet forgiveness is with you, that we may fear you, Lord. Out of the depths I cry to you; in darkest places I will call. Incline your ear to me anew and hear my cry for mercy, Lord. Were you to count my sinful ways, how could I come before your throne. Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze; I stand redeemed by grace alone. I will wait for you; I will wait for you. On your word I will rely. I will wait for you, surely wait for you, till my soul is satisfied. So put your hope in God alone. Take courage in his power to save, completely and forever won, by Christ emerging from the grave. I will wait for you; I will wait for you. On your word I will rely. I will wait for you, surely wait for you, till my soul is satisfied. His steadfast love has made a way and God himself has paid the price that all who trust in him today find healing in his sacrifice. I will wait for you; I will wait for you. Through the storm and through the night, I will wait for you, surely wait for you for your love is my delight. I wait—my soul waits—for the Lord; my hope is in his Word. More than the watchman waits for dawn, my soul waits for the Lord.

“Lord From the Depths I Call To You” from the Scottish Psalter, 1650.

“I Will Wait For You (Psalm 130)” words and music by Jordan Kauflin, Keith Getty, Matthew Merker, and Stuart Townend.

## CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 103:1-6, 19, 22

Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s. The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

*Our prelude serves as a “gathering song,” signalling to the congregation when the worship service is about to begin. We encourage you to use this time to prepare your hearts for worship.*

*Through God’s Word, his people are called to enter into his presence in corporate worship.*

## INVOCATION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on 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 welcome  
of one another  
is a tangible  
expression of  
God's welcome  
to us.*

### THE WELCOME OF GOD

### SONGS OF PRAISE

#### ***"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"***

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high.  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'til life's storm is past;  
Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on thee;  
Leave, oh leave me not alone, still support and comfort me.  
All my trust on thee is stayed, help from thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, are all I want, more than all in thee I find;  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is thy Name, I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am; thou art full of truth and grace.

PLEASE STAND

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;  
Spring thou up within my heart; for all eternity.

### **“Known and Loved”**

God, you were there from my beginning  
For I was crafted by your hands.  
You see my hopes and hesitations,  
My days are written in your plan.

If you have seen my weakest moments  
And still you love me even then,  
I need no greater confirmation  
That God, your goodness has no end.

*(Chorus) I come to Jesus, lay down my weakness.  
No need for hiding, here in his light.  
This truth I treasure, my peace forever,  
Is being known and loved by him.*

I trust with Jesus, it is finished,  
For he has paid my every debt.  
No need to pull it all together  
For what is broken he will mend. *(Chorus)*

Though I can't see the path before me,  
I know the One who knows the way.  
And as I walk, his hand will guide me  
Until I see him face to face. *(Chorus)*

Words and music by Tiarne Tranter, Jaywan Maxwell, and Fiona Aghajani.

**"Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me" (11:00 AM Service)**

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.  
There is no more for heaven now to give.  
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace.  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.  
For my life is wholly bound to his.  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine!"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,  
For by my side the Savior, he will stay.  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,  
For in my need, his power is displayed.  
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.  
Through the deepest valley he will lead.  
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,  
The future sure, the price, it has been paid.  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave.  
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated.  
Jesus now, and ever, is my plea.  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free!"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus,  
For he has said that he will bring me home.  
And day by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne.  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.  
All the glory evermore to him.  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat,  
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

Words and Music by Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, and Rich Thompson.

## **CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*PLEASE BE SEATED*

**O Faithful God,**

**We confess our willingness to be loved  
but also our reluctance to love.**

**We confess our readiness  
to accept your forgiving love  
but also our refusal to forgive.**

**We confess our eagerness  
to grasp your offer of redeeming love  
but also our resistance to follow you without question.**

**Forgive our faithlessness.**

**See beyond our apathy, our thoughtlessness,  
our self-centeredness, our wrong choices.**

**See into our hearts, for you are our treasure.**

**Search us, O God, and know our hearts;  
test us and know our thoughts.**

**See if there is any wicked way in us,  
and lead us in the way everlasting.**

**In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

Based on Worship Sourcebook D.2.2.5, 2.2.36 and Psalm 139:23-24.

## **SILENT CONFESSION**

*We encourage you  
to use this time for  
silent reflection.*

*We receive  
assurance that  
the blood of Christ  
purifies us from all  
our sin.*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON • 1 John 1:5-9; Isaiah 1:18**

(Leader) This is the message we have heard from him and I declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

**(Congregation) “Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though our sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.”**

**(All) Thanks be to God for the saving blood of Jesus Christ.**

PLEASE STAND

## **HYMN OF RESPONSE • #305**

### **“Arise, My Soul, Arise”**

Arise, my soul, arise! Shake off your guilty fears;  
The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears.  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
Before the throne my Surety stands,  
My name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above for me to intercede,  
His all-redeeming love, his precious blood to plead.  
His blood atoned for ev’ry race, his blood atoned for ev’ry race,  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary;  
They pour effectual prayers; they strongly speak for me.  
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry; “Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,  
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!”

My God is reconciled; his pardoning voice I hear;  
He owns me for his child, I can no longer fear.  
With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh,  
And “Father, Abba, Father!” cry.



## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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## **FAITH PROMISE TESTIMONY**

*Mary Kate McCrory*

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

## **CHORAL RESPONSE** *(8:30 AM Service)*

### **“Come and Be Joyful”**

Come and be joyful; come and praise the Lord, sing with gladness. All be praising, thanks be raising. God is faithful and true forever.

*(At this time, children ages 4 through Grade 1 are invited to attend Worship Center. They will exit to the Welcome Center to meet their teachers. If you are a first- or second-time visitor, please walk with your child so you are able to register them. Children may be picked up in Sunday School classes after the early service and in the Worship Center Room after the late service.)*

## **SCRIPTURE READING • Colossians 3:1-17**

<sup>3:1</sup> If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup> For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup> Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming. <sup>7</sup> In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. <sup>8</sup> But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

<sup>12</sup> Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, <sup>13</sup> bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup> And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

<sup>16</sup> Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. <sup>17</sup> And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## **SERMON • “Forgiveness” Rev. Michael MacCaughelty**

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We are in the midst of a series on the “One Another” commands in the New Testament. Today we are focusing on verse 13, “Bear with one another...forgiving each other.” What is forgiveness? Giving up the right to revenge. How can we do this? Start with the hurt, marvel at the beauty, and see Jesus.

### **I. How Could They? Forgiveness Acknowledges the Hurt**

### **II. How Could You? Forgiveness is Attractive**

### **III. How Could He? Forgiveness is Supernaturally Accomplished**

*As an act of  
worship, we give  
back to God a  
portion of our  
many blessings.*

## **GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **SONG OF RESPONSE**

#### **“Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive”**

*“Forgive our sins  
as we forgive’ you  
taught us, Lord,  
to pray; but you  
alone can give us  
grace to live the  
words we say.”*

“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” you taught us, Lord, to pray; but you alone can give us grace to live the words we say. How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart? In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly know; how small the debts men owe to us; how great our debt to you. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls, and bid resentment cease; then, reconciled to God and man our lives will spread your peace. “Forgive our sins as we forgive,” you taught us, Lord, to pray; but you alone can give us grace to live the words we say. But you alone can give us grace to live the words we say.

Words by Rosamond E. Herklots. Melody from *Supplement to Kentucky Harmony*, 1820. Arrangement by Steve Whitner.

## **HYMN OF RESPONSE • #172**

PLEASE STAND

### **“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”**

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.”

## **BENEDICTION**

*Our worship  
concludes with  
God sending us  
into the world  
with his blessing.*

## **POSTLUDE**

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### **WEEKLY BIBLE READING (February 5 - February 11)**

Genesis 48-49 • Genesis 50-Exodus 1 • Exodus 2-3 • Exodus 4-5 • Exodus 6-7

# Announcements

**OUR MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK** are Stephen and Kellie Merwin, who work with RUF International at UAB. The Merwins minister to international students, following God's call to make disciples among the nations.

- **FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** Join us tonight in the Fellowship Hall from 6:30 - 8:00 PM for a time of food and fellowship. We'll be having garlic butter meatballs with orzo, Caesar salad, and cheddar biscuits.
- **BABY SHOWER:** The women of AVPC are hosting a baby shower tomorrow, February 5, at 7:00 PM, at the home of Whitney Jones, 216 Oakmont Circle. This shower will be honoring Caroline Cwynar. You can contribute online or in the collection envelope in your Sunday school class. Please designate 'baby shower' in the memo line of your check.
- **COVENANT MOMS' PRAYER:** All covenant mothers are invited to join us this Wednesday, February 7, from 8:30-9:00 AM in the Conference Room as we pray for the children of our church and community in the 30 minutes before Women's Bible study. We will gather in prayer on the first Wednesday of each month.
- **MISSIONS CONFERENCE:** The 2024 Missions Conference is taking place this week from February 7-11. You can see the schedule of events below or visit our website for more information.
  - Wednesday, February 7: Small Group Evening Meal
  - Thursday, February 8: Individual/Family Lunch or Coffee
  - Thursday, February 8: Community Group Gatherings
  - Friday, February 9: Fellowship Dinner and Youth-Led Worship Service
  - Saturday, February 10: Prayer Breakfast
  - Saturday, February 10: Fellowship Dinner and Panel Discussion
  - Sunday, February 11: Sunday Worship – guest preacher Ed Thompson (LOGOI)
- **PRETEENS GALENTINE'S DAY PARTY:** You're invited! All fourth and fifth grade girls are invited to our AVPC Galentine's Party on February 14 from 6-7:30 PM at Amanda Amerson's house. Contact Catie (catie@avpc.org) with questions.
- **FAITH PROMISE:** Please be in prayer over your 2024 Faith Promise giving.
- **SPRING BIBLE STUDIES:** There are many Bible study and fellowship opportunities for both men and women at AVPC this spring. See the church calendar for dates and times. Call the church office at 205-967-0680 for more information.
- **SAVE THE DATE - CAMP SOLID ROCK / WACK:** Mark your calendars! This year's Camp Solid Rock will take place from June 10-13 ending with a cookout on Thursday night. WACK will take place July 8-11, ending with a performance on Thursday night. Be on the lookout for more details concerning registration, volunteer needs, and schedules over the next few months.

# Calendar

## SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 4)

- 8:30 AM     Worship Service  
                   Michael | Colossians 3:1-17
- 9:45 AM     Sunday School
- 11:00 AM    Worship Service
- 12:30 PM    Women's Small Group Luncheon
- 4:00 PM     Communicant's Class
- 5:00 PM     Pastoral Search Committee Meeting
- Kid's Bridge Night
- Youth Group
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- Community Groups
- Men's Bible Study - Parker Home
- 6:30 PM     Fellowship Dinner

## MONDAY (FEBRUARY 5)

- 6:30 AM     Men's Bible Study - Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM     Cwynar Baby Shower

## WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 7)

- 8:30 AM     Covenant Mom's Prayer
- 9:00 AM     WTW Bible Study - Missions Brunch
- 6:00 PM     WTW Bible Study - Parker Home
- 6:15 PM     Praise Team Rehearsal
- 6:30 PM     Community Groups

## THURSDAY (FEBRUARY 8)

- 9:00 AM     Men's Coffee

## FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 9)

- 5:30 PM     Missions Dinner
- 6:30 PM     Youth-Led Worship

## SATURDAY (FEBRUARY 10)

- 8:30 AM     Missionary Prayer Breakfast
- 5:30 PM     Missions Dinner
- 6:15 PM     Missionary Panel Discussion

## SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 11)

- 8:30 AM     Worship Service  
                   Ed Thompson | Revelation 5:9
- 9:45 AM     Sunday School
- 11:00 AM    Worship Service

### SAVE THE DATE - MORE INFORMATION COMING

#### Spring 2024 Events

- March 1-2 - Women's Retreat
- March 31 - Easter Sunday
- May 5 - Youth Sunday

#### Spring 2024 Fellowship Dinners

- February 4 & 25
- April 7 & 21

	Contributions for the Week	Year-To-Date Contributions	Year-To-Date Requirements	Over(Under) Budget
<b>General Fund</b>	\$96,556	\$175,146	\$127,161	\$47,985
<b>Faith Promise</b>	\$25,150	\$32,989	\$8,984	\$24,005

## AVPC VISION

A community of Christ's coming kingdom, bringing hope to a broken world.

## AVPC MISSION

Loving God and loving others as we are transformed by his love.

## PASTORAL STAFF

Bradford E. Allison  
*Senior Pastor*

Stephen Whitner  
*Associate Pastor—Worship*

Michael MacCaughelty  
*Associate Pastor—Outreach/Mercy*

Blake Harris  
*Associate Pastor—Adult Ministries*

## CHURCH LEADERS

### ELDERS

Paul Barber Steve Barley Brian Beckett Grahame Bobo Brent McClenny Jack Morris  
Barry Parker Karl Poythress Thomas Prettyman Danny Wachs John Wimberly

### DEACONS

Woody Armstrong Hunter Boggs Zac Campbell David Coley Steve Driggers Al Foster Trey Holmes Matt Jackson  
Russell Lloyd Tom McCallum Josh Moore John Peters Darren Popwell Josh Putman Drew Russell Bill Sommer Ed Wofford

### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Heather Sommer  
*Women's Ministry Director*

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Catie Lumpkin Allie Campbell  
*Children's Director Nursery Director*

Mary Frances Snyder  
*Children's Administrative Assistant*

Amanda Amerson  
*Children's Ministry Assistant*

### YOUNG ADULTS & MEN'S MINISTRIES

Blake Harris  
*Associate Pastor*

### YOUTH MINISTRIES

Clint Cvacho  
*Youth Director*

Callen Moyer  
*Girls' Discipleship Director*

Michael Whitner  
*Youth Worship Leader*

### ADMINISTRATIVE AND FACILITY

Anna Waldrip  
*Church Administrator*

Connor Bingham  
*Administrative Assistant*

Dave Mayhew Heather Sommer  
*Facilities Manager Financial Administrator*

Michael Bobo Hillary Gamble  
*IT Director Kitchen Coordinator*

### WORSHIP MINISTRIES

Heather Sommer  
*Worship Ministry Assistant*

Young jin Jeon  
*Organist*

Carol Apol & Ricky Klose  
*Sound Ministry Directors*