



worship

at Altadena Valley Presbyterian Church

Welcome to Altadena Valley

We are glad you are here.

Please visit our website at www.avpc.org for more information about our beliefs, our staff and our ministries.

We want you to feel as comfortable as possible while attending worship with us, so 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 for directions to where the childcare area is located.
- Midway through the worship services, children ages 4 to 6 years old will be dismissed and escorted to their own church time in Room L-1 of the Education Building. Parents can pick up their children after Sunday School (no later than 10:55 AM please) or after the 11:00 AM service.
- A Nursing Mother's room, with an audio feed of the service, is located just outside the Sanctuary, next to the 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.

- Beginning January 8, Adult Sunday School classes resume. Copies of class locations and subjects are available in the Parlor and Welcome Center, or just ask an usher for information.

Come, let us worship together!

In consideration of others, please silence all electronic devices.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 1, 2022 | 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

“Trust in You”

Letting go of every single dream, I lay each one down at your feet. Every moment of my wondering never changes what you see. I've tried to win this war, I confess. My hands are weary, I need your rest. Mighty warrior, King of the fight, no matter what I face, you're by my side. When you don't move the mountains I'm needing you to move; when you don't part the waters I wish I could walk through; when you don't give the answers as I cry out to you, I will trust in you. Truth is you know what tomorrow brings. There's not a day ahead you have not seen. So in all things be my life and breath. I want what you want, Lord, and nothing less. You are my strength and comfort. You are my steady hand. You are my firm foundation, the Rock on which I stand. Your ways are always higher. Your plans are always good. There's not a place where I'll go you've not already stood.

Words and Music by Lauren Daigle, Michael Farren & Paul Mabury.

We encourage you to use this time to prepare your hearts for worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 29:1-2, 10-11; 96:7-9

(Leader) I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live. The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave upon me; I was overcome by trouble and sorrow. Then I called on the name of the LORD: “O LORD, save me!”

(Congregation) The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

The LORD protects the simplehearted; when I was in great need, he saved me. Be at rest once more, O my soul, for the Lord has been good to you.

Give thanks to the LORD, and call upon his name.

(All) Praise the LORD!

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

*Our welcome
of one another
is a tangible
expression of
God's welcome
to us.*

PLEASE STAND

INVOCATION

THE WELCOME OF GOD

SONGS OF PRAISE

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

*(Chorus) Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul; worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *(Chorus)*

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *(Chorus)*

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul will sing your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore. *(Chorus)*

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things” we will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire.

He is the Lord our God.

We are not consumed by the flood;

Upheld, protected, gathered up.

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things” we will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

In the dark of night before the dawn,

My soul be not afraid,

For the promised morning—O how long?

O God of Jacob, be my strength.

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things” we will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed,

You are the faithful one;

And from the garden to the grave,

Bind us together. Bring shalom!

We will feast in the house of Zion.

We will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things” we will say together.

We will feast and weep no more.

Words and Music by Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore.

“Like a River Glorious”

Like a river glorious is God’s perfect peace,
Over all victorious in its bright increase;
Perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day,
Perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.*

Hidden in the hollow of his blessed hand,
Never foe can follow, never traitor stand;
Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care,
Not a blast of hurry, touch the spirit there.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.*

Every joy or trial falleth from above,
Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love.
We may trust him fully all for us to do;
They who trust him wholly find him wholly true.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.*

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CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God Most High, Most Glorious

**The thought of your infinite serenity cheers us,
for we are toiling and straining, troubled and distressed,
but you are forever at perfect peace.**

**Your designs cause you no fear or care of unfulfillment,
they stand fast as the eternal hills.**

**You bring order out of confusion,
and our defeats are your victories:**

**We come to you as sinners with cares and sorrows,
desiring to leave every concern entirely to you,
every sin calling for Christ's precious redeeming blood.**

**Help us, O Lord, for unbelief mars our confidence,
sin makes us forget you.**

**Let us live near to the great Shepherd, Jesus Christ,
hear his voice, follow his calls.**

**Keep us from deception by causing us to abide in the Truth,
from harm by helping us to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

Grant us to know that we truly live only when we live for you;

Your presence alone can make us holy, devout, strong, and happy.

Abide in us, gracious God. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Adapted from Valley of Vision: "Resting on God."

PLEASE BE SEATED

*As a corporate
body, we confess
our sins to God and
call out to him for
forgiveness.*

SILENT CONFESSION

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

The Heidelberg Catechism, written in 1563, originated in one of the few pockets of Calvinistic faith in the Lutheran and Catholic territories of Germany. Conceived originally as a teaching instrument to promote religious unity, the catechism soon became a guide for preaching as well. It is a warm-hearted and personalized confession of faith.

¹ Deut. 6:4-9, 20-25; 1 Cor. 9:13-14; 2 Tim. 2:2; 3:13-17; Tit. 1:5

² Deut. 12:5-12; Ps. 40:9-10; 68:26; Acts 2:42-47; Heb. 10:23-25

³ Rom. 10:14-17; 1 Cor. 14:31-32; 1 Tim. 4:13

⁴ 1 Cor. 11:23-25

⁵ Col. 3:16; 1 Tim. 2:1

⁶ Ps. 50:14; 1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 8 & 9

⁷ Isa. 66:23; Heb. 4:9-11

GOD'S SABBATH REST • Heidelberg Catechism Q/A.92d, 103

Q: What words did God speak in the Fourth Commandment of his law?

A92d: “Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy.

Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God;

you shall not do any work—

you, your son or your daughter,

your male or female slave,

your livestock,

or the alien resident in your towns.

For in six days the LORD made

heaven and earth, the sea,

and all that is in them,

but rested the seventh day;

therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day

and consecrated it.”

Q103: What is God's will for you in the fourth commandment?

A103: First,

that the gospel ministry and education for it be maintained,¹

and that, especially on the festive day of rest,

I diligently attend the assembly of God's people²

to learn what God's Word teaches,³

to participate in the sacraments,⁴

to pray to God publicly,⁵

and to bring Christian offerings for the poor.⁶

Second,

that every day of my life

I rest from my evil ways,

let the Lord work in me through his Spirit,

and so begin in this life

the eternal Sabbath.⁷

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #468

PLEASE STAND

“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;
I trust the ever-living One, his wounds for me shall plead.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
It is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
A sinful soul I come to Him, he'll never cast me out.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
It is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God:
Salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through his blood.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
It is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost he came to save;
For me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
It is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE BE SEATED

*At this time,
children ages 4-6
are dismissed for
their worship.*

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING • Psalm 62:5-12

- ^{62:5} For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.
- ⁶ He only is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
- ⁷ On God rests my salvation and my glory;
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.
- ⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us. Selah
- ⁹ Those of low estate are but a breath;
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.
- ¹⁰ Put no trust in extortion;
set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.
- ¹¹ Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
¹² and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.
For you will render to a man
according to his work.

SERMON • “A New Year Resolution: Invitation to Rest” • Psalm 65:5-12

Rev. Michael MacCaughelty

The New Year is often a time to reassess our goals and plans for the future. We want to serve God, love Him, and love others with all our heart, mind, and strength. The New Year can propel us out of lethargy and into renewed service to God and His kingdom. And there are many who can benefit from such prompting. Psalm 62 drives us in the direction of rest. Not the kind of rest that is lazy or wasteful, but the kind of rest that pursues rest for our souls. This kind of rest enables us to love God and love others from a heart that is running over with joy, peace, assurance, and power.

I. Talk To Yourself, Don't Listen to Yourself (verses 5-7)

II. Talk to God - Pour Out Your Heart to Him (verse 8)

III. Embrace Your Limits (verses 9-12)

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

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

("Self-serve communion packets" are available at all main sanctuary entrances. Gluten-free "bread" is available in the Welcome Center. As the elements are passed, feel free to state the following words to the person next to you in the pew: Bread—"This is Christ's body, given for you." Juice—"This is Christ's blood, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.")

SONG OF RESPONSE

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one lay down, your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad; I found in him my resting place, and he has made me glad. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank from that life-giving stream my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light; look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy days be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk 'til pilgrim days are done.

*"I came to Jesus
as I was, so weary,
worn and sad; I
found in him my
resting place, and
he has made me
glad."*

HYMN OF RESPONSE

PLEASE STAND

“Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting”

Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee, and thy beauty fills my soul,
For by thy transforming power, thou hast made me whole.

O, how great thy loving kindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous thy goodness, lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved; know what wealth of grace is thine;
Know thy certainty of promise and have made it mine.

*(Chorus) Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.*

Simply trusting thee, Lord Jesus, I behold thee as thou art,
And thy love, so pure so changeless satisfies my heart;
Satisfies its deepest longings, meets, supplies its every need,
Compasseth me 'round with blessings; thine is love indeed!

Ever lift thy face upon me, as I work and wait for thee;
Resting 'neath thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee.
Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face,
Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with thy grace. *(Chorus)*

BENEDICTION

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

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WEEKLY BIBLE READING (January 2 - January 8)

Genesis 1-2 • Genesis 3-4 • Genesis 6-7 • Genesis 8-9 • Job 1-2

Announcements

OUR MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK are Jesse and Reba Lothar who are serving on a church planting team in Tokyo, Japan. With a focus on college students, they will concentrate on getting them active in the local church through Bible studies, small groups, and outreach events.

- **NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL QUARTER:** Our new Sunday School quarter begins next week, January 8, at 9:45 AM. A current listing of classes being offered can be found in the Parlor, Welcome Center and on the church website.
- **MEMBERSHIP WEEKEND** – Are you thinking about church membership at Altadena? Come to our next Membership Event, Friday, January 20. There, you will meet church staff members, hear about ministry opportunities, and get to know others who are new to the church. Attendance at this or another weekend offered throughout the year is required for church membership. You can visit the *Events* tab of the church website, drop down *Event Registration*; email Christine (christine@avpc.org) or call the church office to register and request childcare. Deadline to register is January 16.
- **FAMILY SERVES INITIATIVE:** Be sure to visit the *Events* tab of the church website and use the drop-down, *Service Opportunities*, to complete our easy volunteer sign up form. You can check your email for a reminder message about this, which lists more information.
- **FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** Join us next Sunday night, January 8, for the first Fellowship dinner of 2023. Dinner starts at 6:30 - right after community groups dismiss. See you then!
- **THANK YOU:** A huge word of thanks to those who helped take down the Christmas decorations this past week. We appreciate your service and could not have done the task without you!
- **OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES:** To Lyn Brogan and her family on the recent passing of her mom, Billie Catherine Funderburke.
- **LADIES SPRING BIBLE STUDY:** The Gospel of Mark paints an important portrait of Jesus as Israel's promised Messiah. Mark's account also makes clear how Jesus' kingship confounds public expectations by emphasizing his humility, suffering and sacrifice. Please join your AVPC sisters this spring semester as we study through this powerful book together. We will be beginning our studies the week of 1/23 for the Monday study and will meet at 3 PM at Wendy's house; Wednesday studys will begin on Janauary 18 at 9 AM in the Church Parlor, and Wednesday night offers an optional 5:00 – 6:00 PM bring your dinner for fellowship, with Bible study from 6:00 – 7:30 PM at the home of Lea Anne Parker. Friday's study is at 1:00 PM at the home of Judy Bates. Study books are available in the Parlor for a cost of \$7.00. Contact Amy MacCaughelty with questions, 205.706.6016.

Calendar

SUNDAY (JANUARY 1)*

11:00 AM Worship Service
Michael | Psalm 62:5-12

WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 4)

6:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

THURSDAY (JANUARY 5)

9:00 AM Men's Coffee

SUNDAY (JANUARY 8)

8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
Brad | Romans 5:12-21
12:30 PM Mercy Lead Team Meeting
3:30 PM Missions Eval Team Meeting
5:00 PM Missions Team Meeting
Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Community Groups
Men's Bible Study
Kids & Youth Activities
6:30 PM Community Fellowship Meal

- **NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Men, beginning January 9, join us on Monday's, from 6:30-7:30 AM in Fellowship Hall for a series on the book True Community by Jerry Bridges. Books are \$9:00. Contact Blake for more information.
- **SAVE THE DATE** Don't forget to mark your calendar for these upcoming events: Sunday, January 8, 15, 22 - Sunday Night Dinners; Saturday, January 14 - Churches Without Walls training; Friday, January 20 - Membership Weekend; Sunday, February 5 & 19 - Sunday Night Dinners; Wednesday-Sunday, February 8-12, 2023 AVPC Missions Conference; Friday & Saturday, March 3-4, Women's Retreat.
- **YEAR-END GIVING:** Contributions for 2022 will still be processed, as long as the date on the check is by December 31, 2022.

**Celebration of The Lord's Supper*

	12/25/22 Receipts	Year-To-Date Receipts	Year-To-Date Requirements	Over(Under) Budget
General Fund	\$19,890	\$1,374,184	\$1,447,390	(\$73,206)
Faith Promise	\$13,575	\$318,048	\$364,210	(\$46,162)

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.

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