



# 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.

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.
- During the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45) adults are free to attend one of the following classes:

**Pilgrims:** This discussion class will include a brief introduction to the period of the Judges and the life of Samson.

**Fellowship Hall:** Join us for "Christ and Culture: Living in God's Two Kingdoms". We will study the "two kingdoms" teaching of Scripture and learn how to live as God's people in a world that is often hostile to them.

**Young Adult:** This class will also be studying "Christ and Culture" using the same resources the Fellowship Hall class.

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.

**Come, let us worship together!**

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

**VISITORS:  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 22, 2023 | 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

## PRELUDE

### “Love Constraining to Obedience”

To see the Law by Christ fulfilled, and hear his pard'ning voice; changes a slave into a child, and duty into choice. No strength of nature can suffice to serve the LORD aright; and what she has, she misapplies, for want of clearer light. How long beneath the law I lay in bondage and distress! I toiled the precept to obey, but toiled without success. Then to abstain from outward sin was more than I could do; now, if I feel its pow'r within, I feel I hate it too. Then all my servile works were done, a righteousness to raise; now, freely chosen in the Son, I freely choose his ways.

Words by William Cowper. Music by Kevin Twit.

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

## CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

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

## INVOCATION

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

## **THE WELCOME OF GOD**

### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

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#### **“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched”**

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with power.  
He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.  
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;  
If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all.  
Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;  
All the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him.  
This he gives you, this he gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

#### **“Jesus, I Come”**

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.  
Into thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of my sickness into thy health, out of my wanting and into thy wealth,  
Out of my sin and into thyself, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come;  
Into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows, into thy balm, out of life's storms and into thy calm.  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of myself to dwell in thy love, out of despair into raptures above,  
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the joy and light of thy home, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of thy sheltering fold,  
Ever thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Jesus, I come to thee. Jesus, I come to thee.

## NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

“All things are lawful,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful,” but not all things build up. So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

**(All) For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.**

Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 10:23, 31; Titus 2:11-14.

## **“Show Us Christ”**

Prepare our hearts, O God,  
Help us to receive.  
Break the hard and stony ground,  
Help our unbelief.  
Plant your Word down deep in us,  
Cause it to bear fruit,  
Open up our ears to hear,  
Lead us in your truth.

*Show us Christ. Show us Christ.  
O God, reveal your glory  
Through the preaching of your Word  
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.*

Your Word is living light  
Upon our darkened eyes,  
Guards us through temptations,  
Makes the simple wise.  
Your Word is food for famished ones,  
Freedom for the slave,  
Riches for the needy soul,  
Come speak to us today.

*Show us Christ. Show us Christ.  
O God, reveal your glory  
Through the preaching of your Word  
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.*

Where else can we go, Lord? Where else can we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. *(Repeat 2 X's)*

*Show us Christ. Show us Christ.  
O God, reveal your glory  
Through the preaching of your Word  
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.*

Words and music by Bob Kauflin and Doug Plank.

## **CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O God, Lover of the loveless,**

**It is your will that we should love you,  
with heart, soul, mind, and strength  
and our neighbors as ourselves.**

**But we are not sufficient for these things.**

**There is by nature no pure love in our souls;**

**Every affection in us is turned away from you;**

**We are bound, as slaves, to lust.**

**We cannot love you,  
lovely as you are,  
until you have set us free.**

**By grace we are free,  
and we would serve you,  
for you are God,  
and through Jesus we are redeemed,  
and our sins are forgiven.**

**Order all our ways by your holy Word  
and make your commandments the joy of our hearts.**

**May we grow in your love  
and manifest it to all humankind.**

**Spirit of Love,  
make us like the loving Jesus  
that we may shine before others to your glory.**

**In his name we pray. Amen.**

Adapted from The Valley of Vision: "Christian Love."

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*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.*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON • Ezekiel 36:22b-28

*We receive assurance that God will give us a new heart and a new spirit through his Son, Jesus Christ.*

Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

**(All) Thanks be to God who has fulfilled these promises to us, his people, through his Son, Jesus Christ.**

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## HYMN OF RESPONSE • #164 (vs.1-4, 6)

### **“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer’s praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God,  
Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad  
The honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears,  
That bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin,  
He sets the pris'ner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean,  
His blood availed for me.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
Your loosen'd tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;  
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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## **TESTIMONY FOR SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY**

*Amanda Amerson*

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

*On a Sunday in 1893, hymn writer, James Black, met fourteen year-old Bessie, a poorly clad child of a drunkard, as he walked past her ramshackled home. Bessie accepted Black's invitation to Sunday School and became a faithful attendee. One evening when Black was giving the roll call at church, Bessie did not answer. After the meeting, Black visited her home and found out she was sick with pneumonia. Later as Black thought of the evening's events, he penned the lyrics and composed the music for the hymn, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder", confident that even though Bessie had missed the SS roll call due to her serious illness, she would be present at the heavenly roll call. Bessie died a few days later and this hymn was sung for the first time at her funeral.*

## **CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00 AM Service)**

### **"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"**

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound and time shall be no more, and the morning breaks, eternal, bright and fair; when the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore, and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. On that bright and cloudless morning when the dead in Christ shall rise, and the glory of his resurrection share; when his chosen ones shall gather to their home beyond the skies, and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun; let us talk of all his wondrous love and care. Then when all of life is over and our work on earth is done, and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there. When the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

Words and music by James M. Black.

## **SCRIPTURE READING • Romans 6:15-23**

<sup>6:15</sup> What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup> But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup> and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup> I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

<sup>20</sup> For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

<sup>21</sup> But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup> But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## **SERMON • “A New Master” Rev. Blake Harris**

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Since I’m now under grace, should I keep sinning? It sounds like a strange question, but isn’t it a question we all ask? Paul continues his description of sanctification in the Christian life by describing a ground-breaking change in the life of every believer that transforms our relationship with sin – we have a new master.

### **I. A New Master**

### **II. A New Heart**

### **III. A New Calling**

### **IV. A New Future**

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

*"I will glory in  
my Redeemer  
who crushed the  
power of sin and  
death. My only  
Savior before the  
holy Judge; the  
Lamb who is my  
righteousness."*

PLEASE STAND

## **GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **SONG OF RESPONSE**

#### **"I Will Glory in My Redeemer"**

I will glory in my Redeemer whose priceless blood has ransomed me. Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails and hung him on that judgment tree. I will glory in my Redeemer who crushed the power of sin and death. My only Savior before the holy Judge; the Lamb who is my righteousness; the Lamb who is my righteousness. I will glory in my Redeemer. My life he bought, my love he owns. I have no longings for another. I'm satisfied in him alone. I will glory in my Redeemer, his faithfulness, my standing place. Though foes are mighty and rush up on me, my feet are firm held by his grace; my feet are firm held by his grace. I will glory in my Redeemer who carries me on eagle's wings. He crowns my life with loving kindness. His triumph song I'll ever sing. I will glory in my Redeemer who waits for me at gates of gold. And when he calls me, it will be paradise, his face forever to behold; his face forever to behold.

Words and Music by Steve and Vikki Cook.

### **HYMN OF RESPONSE**

#### **"Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me"**

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.

## **BENEDICTION**

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*"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."*

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

### **WEEKLY BIBLE READING (January 23 - January 29)**

Genesis 27-28 • Genesis 29-30 • Genesis 31-32 • Genesis 33, 35 • Genesis 37

# Announcements

**OUR MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK** are Jeremy and Angel Martin, serving with Serge in Southall, London. Jeremy and Angel work with New Life Masih Ghar Church and are involved with diaconal ministry, discipleship, leadership development and hospitality.

- **FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** Join us tonight for Fellowship dinner. Dinner starts at 6:30 - right after community groups dismiss. AND DON'T FORGET a dessert pot-luck will again be served, so bring your best dessert to share.
- **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** 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.
- **FAMILY SERVES INITIATIVE:** We would like to say thanks to those who have already signed up for our Family Serves Initiative. Your service has already made a huge impact on our ministries. You can still sign up via the webpage - Events Tab - Service Opportunities.
- **LADIES SPRING BIBLE STUDY:** Please join your AVPC sisters this spring semester as we study through the Gospel of Mark. Studies begin tomorrow, January 23 for the Monday group. See Enews for the schedule of other groups.
- **WOMEN'S LUNCHEON:** Today, January 22, our ladies will be meeting for lunch in small groups at various locations. If you would like - invite a few friends and meet for an impromptu luncheon. Get to know some new friends and enjoy rich fellowship.
- **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** The Youth Ministry Team is looking for one male and one female summer intern. Qualified candidates need to love God, love students, and be available ten weeks out of the summer. Please visit the church webpage for the job description and application. Deadline to apply is Friday, January 27. Return application to [clint@avpc.org](mailto:clint@avpc.org).
- **COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE:** Today in Altadena Park there will be a blood drive through Lifesouth Community Bloodcenters. The blood drive will be from 1:00-7:00 PM. No appointment is necessary, but if you would like to schedule a time, you can do so on Lifesouth Community Bloodcenters' website.
- **15 MINUTE CHOIR:** Today the "AVPC 15-minute choir" will be singing in the LATE SERVICE. Our anthem will be "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder". The choir will rehearse in the choir room from 10:40-10:55 AM (optional early rehearsal from 10:25-10:40 AM), then sing that anthem with the choir in the LATE SERVICE. See Enews for more details.
- **BABY SHOWER :** The women of AVPC are hosting a baby shower on February 6, at 7:00 PM, at the home of Emily Grace Ames, 2304 Dartmouth Drive. This shower will be honoring Danielle Harris. You can contribute online thru CCB or in the collection envelope in your Sunday school class. Please designate 'baby shower' in the memo line of your check.

# Calendar

## SUNDAY (JANUARY 22)

8:30 AM     Worship Service  
 9:45 AM     Sunday School  
 10:40 AM    15-Minute Choir Rehearsal  
 11:00 AM    Worship Service  
               Blake | Romans 6:15-23  
 12:15 PM    Women's Small Group Luncheon  
 1:00 PM     Community Blood Drive  
 5:00 PM     Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
               Community Groups  
               Men's Bible Study  
               Kids & Youth Activities  
 6:30 PM     Community Fellowship Meal  
               with dessert potluck

## MONDAY (JANUARY 23)

6:30 AM     Men's Breakfast/Bible Study  
 9:00 AM     WTW Bible Study

## WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 25)

9:00 AM     WTW Bible Study  
 6:00 PM     Community Groups  
 6:15 PM     Praise Team Rehearsal  
 6:30 PM     Youth Small Groups

## THURSDAY (JANUARY 26)

9:00 AM     Men's Coffee

## SUNDAY (JANUARY 29)

8:30 AM     Worship Service  
 9:45 AM     Sunday School  
 11:00 AM    Worship Service  
               Brad | Romans 7:1-6  
 5:00 PM     Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
               Community Groups  
               Men's Bible Study  
               Kids & Youth Activities

- **OUR CONDOLENCES:** We extend our sincere condolences to the following: Merrily McCary upon the recent death of her mother, Abbie Chapman Henderson Taylor; Jamie Lumpkin for the recent death of his father, Eddie Lumpkin; and Deborah Halbrooks for the recent death of her father, Noel Martin.

	01/15/23 Receipts	Year-To-Date Receipts	Year-To-Date Requirements	Over(Under) Budget
<b>General Fund</b>	\$35,262	\$66,335	\$49,865	\$16,470
<b>Faith Promise</b>	\$7,057	\$11,935	\$5,469	\$6,467

## **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  
*Assistant Pastor—Adult Ministries*

## **CHURCH LEADERS**

### **ELDERS**

David Allen Steve Barley Brian Beckett Grahame Bobo Clint Cvacho Nicholas Ireland  
Brent McClenny Jack Morris Barry Parker Karl Poythress Thomas Prettyman Danny Wachs

### **DEACONS**

Woody Armstrong Hunter Boggs David Coley Al Foster Trey Holmes Matt Jackson Russell Lloyd  
Josh Moore John Peters Josh Putman Bill Sommer Rob Wise Ed Wofford

### **YOUNG ADULTS & MEN'S MINISTRIES**

Blake Harris  
*Young Adult & Men's Ministry Leader*

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

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

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRIES**

Heather Sommer  
*Women's Ministry Director*

### **YOUTH MINISTRIES**

Clint Cvacho  
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Michael Whitner  
*Youth Worship Leader*

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### **WORSHIP MINISTRIES**

Heather Sommer  
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Carol Apol & Ricky Klose  
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