



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.

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

January 5, 2025 | 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

“Thy Mercy, My God”

Thy mercy, my God is the theme of my song; the joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue. Thy free grace alone from the first to the last hath won my affections and bound my soul fast. Without thy sweet mercy, I could not live here; sin would reduce me to utter despair; but through thy free goodness my spirits revive, and he that first made me still keeps me alive. Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, which wonders to feel its own hardness depart; dissolved by thy goodness I fall to the ground and weep for the praise of the mercy I've found. Father of mercies, thy goodness I own, and the covenant love of thy crucified Son; all praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine. All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine.

Words by John Stoker. Music by Sandra McCracken.

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, either by singing along with the praise team or by meditating on the lyrics as the praise team sings.

CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

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
and welcome one
another.*

INVOCATION

THE WELCOME OF GOD

SONGS OF PRAISE

"We Will Feast in the House of Zion"

*(Chorus) 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. *(Chorus)*

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. *(Chorus)*

Every vow we've broken and betrayed,
You are the faithful one;
And from the garden to the grave,
Bind us together. Bring shalom! *(Chorus)*

Words and Music by Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore.

“Christ Our Hope In Life and Death”

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone. Christ alone.
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong.
Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand.

*(Chorus) O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal.
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death.*

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good. God is good.
Where is his grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer’s blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ? *(Chorus)*

Unto the grave what shall we sing?
“Christ, he lives! Christ, he lives!”
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed;
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore. *(Chorus)*

Words by Jordan Kauflin, Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Matt Papa and Matthew Merker.

“Known and Loved” (11:00 AM Service)

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.

*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.

*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.*

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.

*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.*

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

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PLEASE BE SEATED

Holy LORD,

**Have mercy on us, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out our transgressions.**

**Wash away all our iniquity
and cleanse us from our sin.**

**Surely we were sinful at birth,
sinful from the time our mothers conceived us.**

**Surely you desire truth in the inner parts;
you teach us wisdom in the inmost place.**

**Create in us a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within us.**

**Do not cast us from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from us.**

**Restore to us the joy of your salvation
and grant us willing spirits, to sustain us.**

**O Lord, open our lips,
and our mouths will declare your praise.**

**You do not delight in sacrifice, or we would bring it;
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.**

**The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart,
O God, you will not despise. Amen.**

Psalm 51:1-2, 5-6, 10-12, 15-17.

SILENT CONFESSION

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON • Ezekiel 36:25-26; 2 Corinthians 5:17

We receive assurance that as God's people, we are being made new through Jesus Christ.

This is what the Sovereign Lord says to his people, "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." Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come!

(All) Thanks be to God! Jesus is making us new!

PLEASE STAND

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #701

"Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!"

Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it! Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed through his infinite mercy, his child and forever I am.
Redeemed, redeemed, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed through his infinite mercy, his child and forever I am.

Redeemed, and so happy in Jesus, no language my rapture can tell;
I know that the light of his presence with me doth continually dwell.
Redeemed, redeemed, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed through his infinite mercy, his child and forever I am.

I think of my blessed Redeemer, I think of him all the day long;
I sing, for I cannot be silent; his love is the theme of my song.
Redeemed, redeemed, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed through his infinite mercy, his child and forever I am.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE BE SEATED

MISSION REPORT

Ty & Ginna Nash *(MTW - Thailand)*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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SCRIPTURE READING • Psalm 85

- ^{85:1} Lord, you were favorable to your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
- ² You forgave the iniquity of your people;
you covered all their sin. Selah
- ³ You withdrew all your wrath;
you turned from your hot anger.
- ⁴ Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
and put away your indignation toward us!
- ⁵ Will you be angry with us forever?
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
- ⁶ Will you not revive us again,
that your people may rejoice in you?
- ⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.
- ⁸ Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.
- ⁹ Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.
- ¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- ¹¹ Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.
- ¹² Yes, the Lord will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
- ¹³ Righteousness will go before him
and make his footsteps a way.

SERMON • “Revive Us Again” Rev. Blake Harris

Spirit of the Living God, “will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?” (Psalm 85:6)

I. Revival’s Soil (1-3)

II. Revival’s Roots (4-7)

III. Revival’s Trunk (8-9)

IV. Revival’s Fruit (10-13)

*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

"Give Reviving"

**The "Year of
Jubilee" was
a special year
occurring every
50 years in Israel,
where slaves were
to be freed, debts
were to be forgiven,
and land was to
be returned to its
original owners.
It was a time
for renewal and
rejoicing.*

Father, for thy promised blessing still we plead before thy throne; for the times of sweet refreshing which can come from thee alone. Blessed earnest, thou hast given, but in these we would not rest. Blessings still with thee are hidden, pour them forth and make us blest! Prayer ascendeth to thee ever. Answer! Father, answer prayer! Bless, oh bless, each weak endeavor, blood-bought pardon to declare. Wake thy slumbering children, wake them, bid them to thy harvest go. Blessings, oh, our Father, make round their steps. Let blessings flow. Let no people be forgotten; let thy showers on all descend, that in one loud blessed anthem, millions may in triumph blend. Give reviving, give refreshing, give the looked-for Jubilee*. To thyself may crowds be pressing, bringing glory unto thee.

Words by Albert Midlane. Alternate words by Chelsey Scott. Music by Chelsey Scott and Aaron Sands.

HYMN OF RESPONSE

PLEASE STAND

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way,
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red,
Life that shall endless be.

BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE

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WEEKLY BIBLE READING (January 6 - January 12)

Job 38-39 • Job 40-42 • Genesis 11-12 • Genesis 15 • Genesis 16-17

Announcements

OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK is Jean Legters, a long-time friend of AVPC. She serves the people of Mexico in the Yucatan Peninsula, where she teaches music at San Pablo Seminary and helps run a summer youth camp.

- **LOST AND FOUND:** The church lost and found is overflowing with unclaimed items. If you've been missing anything, check the lost and found shelf, located in the church office next to the Parlor door. Any items unclaimed after today will be donated to charity.
- **SMALL GROUP INVITATION:** Interested in a small group but not sure how to join one? This is a great time of year to learn more and connect with a group. Email the small group coordinator, Jack Morris (crowndoc84@gmail.com) to express interest.
- **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** We are seeking a full-time Financial Administrator. We desire to hire someone who is a mature Christian, experienced in the financial sector, and able to operate with flexibility. A full job description and application is available on the church website. Applications are due by today via email to info@avpc.org.
- **YOUNG ADULTS SUNDAY LUNCH:** Join us for lunch after church on Sunday, January 12, 12:45-2:00 PM, for a time of food and fellowship at the home of Layne and Amy Savoie!
- **CHANCEL CHOIR RESUMES NEXT WEEK:** Do you enjoy singing? Have you been thinking about joining the choir? If so, we would like to invite you to rehearse with the Chancel Choir, which resumes next Sunday, January 12, from 5:00 – 6:30 PM in the choir room. This is a great opportunity for you to "try it out" for a week or two to see if this is a way you would like to serve. The choir will sing in many of the morning worship services during the winter/spring season and on Easter Sunday. If you would like more information, contact Heather at heather@avpc.org.
- **LEGACY MUSEUM TRIP:** The Mercy Leadership Team is inviting you to visit the Equal Justice Initiative's Legacy Museum in Montgomery on Saturday, January 18, 2025. The Legacy Museum is part of the vision of Bryan Stevenson, author of *Just Mercy*, a powerful book and movie informed by a Christian perspective about the injustices related to racism and material poverty in our justice system, and how to respond in a Biblical manner.
- **MAN MOOT:** Men both young and old, join us on Monday, January 20, from 7:00-8:15 PM at Altadena Park for the first ever Man Moot. This moot has been called for the purpose of welcoming Kyle Parker into the brotherhood of the church. There will be fire!
- **MEMBERSHIP MORNING:** Are you thinking about church membership at Altadena? Come to our next Membership Event, Saturday, January 25. You will meet church staff and hear about ministry opportunities at AVPC. Attendance at this or another weekend offered throughout the year is required for church membership. You can sign up on the church website.

Calendar

SUNDAY (JANUARY 5)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 Blake Harris | Psalm 84
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship Service

MONDAY (JANUARY 6)

2:30 PM WTW Bible Study (Conference Room)

TUESDAY (JANUARY 7)

6:00 PM Disability Support Group

WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 8)

6:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
 6:30 PM Small Groups

THURSDAY (JANUARY 9)

9:00 AM Men's Coffee

SUNDAY (JANUARY 12)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 Kyle Parker | Colossians 3
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 12:30 PM Young Adults Lunch
 5:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 Kid's Bridge Night
 Youth Group
 Small Groups

**Celebration of The Lord's Supper*

SAVE THE DATE

January 18 – Equal Justice Museum Trip

January 25 – Membership Morning

February 5-9 – AVPC Missions Conference

	Contributions for the Week	Year-To-Date Contributions	Year-To-Date Requirements	Over(Under) Budget
General Fund	\$62,469	\$1,800,286	\$1,635,104	\$165,182
Faith Promise	\$13,475	\$295,691	\$325,000	(\$29,309)

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

Kyle Parker
Senior Pastor

Stephen Whitner
Associate Pastor—Worship

Michael MacCaughelty
Associate Pastor—Outreach/Mercy

Blake Harris
Associate Pastor—Adult Ministries

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