



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 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.

Come, let us worship together!

In consideration of others, please silence all electronic devices.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 24, 2022 | 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 Townen.

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP • From Psalm 138

We give you thanks, O Lord, with our whole hearts; we sing your praise. We bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. On the day we called, you answered us; our strength of soul you increased. All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth, and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord. For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar. Though we walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve our lives; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of our enemies, and your right hand delivers us. The Lord will fulfil his purpose for us; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

INVOCATION

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

THE WELCOME OF GOD

SONGS OF PRAISE

PLEASE STAND

“Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

Come, behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King.
He, the theme of heaven’s praises, robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come.
Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, he the perfect Son of Man.
In his living, in his suffering, never trace, nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man.
Christ, the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in him we stand.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption, see the Father’s plan unfold.
Bringing many sons to glory; grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death, the God of life.
But no grave could e’er restrain him. Praise the Lord, he is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope.
Christ, in power resurrected as we will be when he comes.

Words and Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Michael Bleecker.

“Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)” (11:00 AM Service)

You call me out upon the waters,
The great unknown where feet may fail,
And there I find you in the mystery,
In oceans deep, my faith will stand.

*(Refrain) And I will call upon your name
And keep my eyes above the waves, when oceans rise;
My soul will rest in your embrace, for I am yours and you are mine.*

Your grace abounds in deepest waters;
Your sovereign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me,
You've never failed and you won't start now.

*(Refrain) And I will call upon your name
And keep my eyes above the waves, when oceans rise;
My soul will rest in your embrace, for I am yours and you are mine.*

*(Bridge) Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders.
Let me walk upon the waters wherever you would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger
In the presence of my Savior. (Repeat Bridge 2 X's, then return to Refrain)*

Words and Music by Joel Houston, Matt Crocker, & Salomon Ligthelm.

"My Jesus Has Done All Things Well"

O for a heart prepared to sing to God,
My Savior and my King;
While with his saints I join to tell,
"My Jesus has done all things well."

How sovereign, wonderful, and free
Is all his love to sinful me!
He plucked me as a brand from hell;
My Jesus has done all things well.

And since my soul has known his love,
What mercies has he made me prove;
Mercies which all my praise excel;
My Jesus has done all things well.

And when to that bright world I rise,
And join the anthems in the skies,
Among the rest this note shall swell,
My Jesus has done all things well.

Words by Samuel Medley. Music by Jeff Koontz.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, the Great / Am,

**We acknowledge that all things come from you —
life, breath, happiness, goodness, truth, beauty;
all that makes existence amiable.**

**Give us grace to know more of our need of grace;
show us our sinfulness that we may willingly confess it;
reveal to us our weakness that we may seek our strength in you.**

**We thank you for any sign of repentance;
we ask that you give us more of it.**

**Our sins are black and deep,
and rise up from stony, proud, self-righteous hearts.**

**Help us to confess with mourning,
with no pretense to merit or excuse.**

We need faith.

**You who have given it to us;
maintain, strengthen, and increase it.**

**Center it upon the Savior's work,
upon the majesty of the Father,
upon the work of the Spirit.**

**Work it in our hearts so that we may not doubt you
as the loving, truthful, mighty, faithful God.**

**Then we can bring our hearts to you
full of love, gratitude, hope and joy.**

In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen

Adapted from *The Valley of Vision*: "The Personal Touch."

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.*

*We receive
assurance that
through Christ,
salvation and
righteousness
have come.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Surely God's salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him and will make a path for his steps. In Christ, God's salvation is at hand, and righteousness has come.

Thanks be to God!

Based on Psalm 85:9-13, NRSV Worship Sourcebook D.2.4.1.

PLEASE STAND

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #167

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

When sleep her balm denies, my silent spirit sighs,
May Jesus Christ be praised!
When evil thoughts molest, with this I shield my breast:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find,
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

In heav'n's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
The powers of darkness fear, when this sweet chant they hear:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let air and sea and sky, from depth to height, reply:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this th'eternal song through all the ages on:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE BE SEATED

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Ryan & Laura Edwards *(8:30 AM Service)*

Chris & Lori Frank *(8:30 AM Service)*

Christian & Brooke DeRieux *(11:00 AM Service)*

Mark, Tara, Rebecca, & Hailey Howard *(11:00 AM Service)*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 AM Service)

Hailey Howard

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

SCRIPTURE READING • Proverbs 6: 6-11

- ⁶⁶ Go to the ant, O sluggard;
consider her ways, and be wise.
- ⁷ Without having any chief,
officer, or ruler,
- ⁸ she prepares her bread in summer
and gathers food in harvest.
- ⁹ How long will you lie there, O sluggard?
When will you arise from your sleep?
- ¹⁰ A little sleep, a little slumber
a little folding of the hands to rest,
- ¹¹ and poverty will come upon you like a robber,
and want like an armed man.

SERMON • “Laziness” Rev. Brad Allison

In a series on the theology of work, it would be impossible to ignore the emphasis the Bible gives to diligence and hard work. It is viewed as a virtue throughout the Bible, while its opposite—laziness—is viewed as a serious vice. The book of Proverbs has a surprisingly large volume of material on the sin of laziness. The character of the sluggard appears frequently in at least eleven different passages. He is a character both tragic and comedic. For example, when he eats, he manages to muster enough energy to begin the meal but can't manage to bring his hand to his mouth to complete the most simple act of eating (19:24). He doesn't just like to sleep but is hinged to his bed (26:14). He offers outlandish excuses for not getting to work, such as a purported lion roaming the streets (22:13). But he is also tragic in the damage he does to himself and to others.

I. The Sluggard's Errors

II. The Sluggard's Outcome

III. The Sluggard's Biggest Problem

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

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SONG OF RESPONSE

“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”

All the way my Savior leads me, who have I to ask beside? How could I doubt his tender mercy, who through life has been my guide? All the way my Savior leads me, cheers each winding path I tread; gives me grace for ev'ry trial, feeds me with the living Bread. You lead me and keep me from falling. You carry me close to your heart and surely your goodness and mercy will follow me. All the way my Savior leads me. O, the fullness of his love; O, the sureness of his promise in the triumph of his blood. When my spirit clothed immortal wings its flight to realms of day, this my song through endless ages, “Jesus led me all the way; Jesus led me all the way.”

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #688

PLEASE STAND

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Thou art the potter; I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power, all power, surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

BENEDICTION

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

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WEEKLY BIBLE READING (July 25 - July 31)

Luke 1 • Luke 2 • Matthew 1-2 • Mark 1 • John 1

Announcements

OUR MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK are Matt and Rachel Allison. Matt serves as Senior Director of Operations for Serge, leading the Home Office assisting more than 300 missionaries serving in over 25 countries. Matt lives in West Philadelphia with his wife Rachel and their two children Clark and Helen.

- **COVID PROTOCOL:** Both early and late services are mask-optional in the Sanctuary; seating in the Parlor is social distanced and mask-required for the early service.
- **WOMEN'S SUMMER SMALL GROUP LUNCHEON:** Today, July 24, 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.
- **CRATES FOR UKRAINE:** We are collecting basic wound care supplies to be flown into Poland and then transported by Ukrainian Christians into parts of Ukraine. For a detailed list of items and links, refer to the announcement in the Enews. Donations must be collected by July 31.
- **SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:** Come hungry and join us July 31, during the Sunday School hour for another fun-filled fellowship brunch. Everyone is welcome to attend – even if you do not attend regularly. Good food and fun activities are planned again, so you don't want to miss this. Next Sunday, 9:45 AM.
- **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 by July 31 will be donated to charity.
- **OFFICER NOMINATIONS:** AVPC members may submit names of men they believe meet the qualifications set forth in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1 for the offices of Elder and Deacon. Guidelines and nomination forms can be found in the Parlor and Welcome Center, or on the church website, under the Worship/Media tab, Resource Links drop-down. You can electronically nominate someone via the Resource Link as well. You can drop your printed nomination form in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office. Deadline for submissions is August 7, 2022.
- **PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM:** Our prayer ministry team would like to encourage you in your prayer life, both personally and corporately, and are inviting you to join others who gather during both morning worship services, to pray for the service as it is being held. You can choose which service you would like to pray for, and how often. This is a great chance to be involved in the life of our church, in a very non-threatening, welcoming environment. Whether you are praying silently or aloud is not important – the desire is to move us towards having a culture of prayer at AVPC. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Steve Barley at steven.barley28@gmail.com, or call the church office.

Calendar

SUNDAY (JULY 24)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 Brad | Proverbs 6:6-11
 12:30 PM Women's Summer Luncheon

MONDAY (JULY 25)

3:00 PM WTW Bible Study

WEDNESDAY (JULY 27)

9:00 AM WTW Bible Study
 6:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

THURSDAY (JULY 28)

6:30 PM YA Summer Thursdays

SUNDAY (JULY 31*)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Fellowship Brunch
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 Brad | I Corinthians 7:17-24

- **PICTORIAL DIRECTORY:** As requested by so many of you, we are working on an updated pictorial church directory. During the fellowship brunch on July 31, you will have another chance to get your picture taken for the directory, so smile and take advantage of this opportunity...it's painless and will be over before you know it. See you at the brunch.

SAVE THE DATE - MORE INFORMATION COMING

AUGUST

27 - Picnic at the Park
 28 - AVPC Teacher Commissioning
 28 - Fellowship Brunch

SEPTEMBER

11 - GHK Teacher Commissioning
 18 - Ladies Fall Lunch
 28 - LifeSouth Blood Drive

**Celebration of The Lord's Supper*

	07/17/22 Receipts	Year-To-Date Receipts	Year-To-Date Requirements	Over(Under) Budget
General Fund	\$18,190	\$635,115	\$707,598	(\$72,483)
Faith Promise	\$3,614	\$184,386	\$184,865	(\$480)

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 Paul Barber Steve Barley Grahame Bobo Clint Cvacho Jim Darden
Tim English Nicholas Ireland Barry Parker Karl Poythress Danny Wachs

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Hunter Boggs David Coley Al Foster Trey Holmes Matt Jackson Russell Lloyd
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Youth Director
Michael Whitner
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