



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 31, 2022 | 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

PRELUDE

“Goodness of God”

I love you, Lord. Oh, your mercy never fails me. All my days I've been held in your hands. From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head, I will sing of the goodness of God. All my life you have been faithful. All my life you have been so good. With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God. I love your voice. You have led me through the fire. In darkest night, you are close like no other. I've known you as a father, I've known you as a friend. I have lived in the goodness of God. Your goodness is running after me. With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now; I give you everything. Your goodness is running after me.

Words and music by Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, and Jenn Johnson.

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

CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 95:1-7a

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

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

PLEASE STAND

"God of Wonders" (11:00 AM Service)

Lord of all creation, of water, earth, and sky,
The heavens are your tabernacle. Glory to the Lord on high.

*God of wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy.
The universe declares your majesty. You are holy, holy.
(Men) Lord of heaven and earth. (Women) Lord of heaven and earth.
(Men) Lord of heaven and earth. (Women) Lord of heaven and earth.*

Early in the morning I will celebrate the light.
When I stumble in the darkness I will call your name by night.
*God of wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy.
The universe declares your majesty. You are holy, holy.
(Men) Lord of heaven and earth. (Women) Lord of heaven and earth.
(Men) Lord of heaven and earth. (Women) Lord of heaven and earth.*

(Men) Hallelujah (Women) to the Lord of heaven and earth.
(Men) Hallelujah (Women) to the Lord of heaven and earth.
(Men) Hallelujah (Women) to the Lord of heaven and earth.

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Words and Music by Marc Byrd and Steve Hindalong.

“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.

“All I Have is Christ”

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ. Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

I once was lost in darkest night yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will,
And if you had not loved me first, I would refuse you still.

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.
And I beheld God’s love displayed, you suffered in my place.
You bore the wrath reserved for me now all I know is grace.

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ. Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

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Now Lord, I would be yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow your commands could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose;
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose
And let my song forever be: my only boast is you.

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Words and Music by Jordan Kauffin.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION

PLEASE BE SEATED

**O God,
you have taught us
that Christ has all fullness
and all fullness we lack in ourselves
we find in him.**

**He has perfect knowledge,
love, grace, and righteousness,
to make us see,
to make us righteous,
to give us fullness.**

**It is our duty,
out of a sense of emptiness,
to go to Christ,
to possess and enjoy his fullness as our own.**

**You have taught us that the finding of this treasure
of all love and grace in Christ
begets strength, joy, glory,
and renders all graces alive.**

**Help us to delight
more in what we receive from Christ,
more in the fullness found in him,
the fountain of all his glory.**

**To this end, O God,
establish us in Christ,
give us our being there,
assure us with certainty
that all this in Christ is ours,
for this only will fill our hearts
with joy and peace.**

In the precious name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Adapted from *The Valley of Vision*: "Fullness in Christ"

We encourage you to use this time for silent reflection.

SILENT CONFESSION

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON • Hebrews 4:14-16

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #305

PLEASE STAND

“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

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

SCRIPTURE READING • I Corinthians 7:17- 24

¹⁷ Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches. ¹⁸ Was anyone at the time of his call already circumcised? Let him not seek to remove the marks of circumcision. Was anyone at the time of his call uncircumcised? Let him not seek circumcision. ¹⁹ For neither circumcision counts for anything nor uncircumcision, but keeping the commandments of God. ²⁰ Each one should remain in the condition in which he was called. ²¹ Were you a bondservant when called? Do not be concerned about it. (But if you can gain your freedom, avail yourself of the opportunity.) ²² For he who was called in the Lord as a bondservant is a freedman of the Lord. Likewise he who was free when called is a bondservant of Christ. ²³ You were bought with a price; do not become bondservants of men. ²⁴ So, brothers, in whatever condition each was called, there let him remain with God.

SERMON • “Work and Status” Rev. Brad Allison

In our final sermon in our series on work we are going to address a common question. “How can I know what God has called me to do?” In contrast to last week’s topic on laziness, when I mentioned that I have never been asked to help someone deal with that sin, this topic is just the opposite. Every pastor has been asked many times by people to help them know God’s will for their lives, whether it’s in the area of their occupation, a marriage partner, or many other areas of life. Paul addresses this question in today’s passage, in the larger context of talking about marriage and divorce. He answers by addressing the issue of status. His main point is that we don’t make these decisions to boost our status in the world, because, for the Christian, status is something we receive and not something we achieve. He draws out three implications of this idea.

I. Be Reluctant to Change

II. Be Willing to Change

III. Receive Your Status

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

*Just as a person
experiences
physical
nourishment
and growth
after eating
physical food,
so do Christians
experience
spiritual
nourishment and
growth when
in faith and the
power of the
Holy Spirit, they
partake of Christ's
body and blood,
spiritually present
in the bread and
juice.*

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

"Dearly We're Bought"

Come raise your thankful voice, ye souls redeemed with blood. Leave earth and all its toys and mix no more with mud. Dearly we're bought, highly esteemed; redeemed with Jesus' blood, redeemed. Dearly we're bought, highly esteemed; redeemed with Jesus' blood, redeemed. With heart and soul and mind exalt redeeming love. Leave worldly cares behind and set your minds above. Lift up your ravished eyes and view the glory given; all lower things despised, ye citizens of heaven. Be to this world as dead, alive to that to come. Our life in Christ is hid, who soon shall call us home.

Words by Joseph Hart. Music by Matthew Welch.

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #168

PLEASE STAND

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art,
My only trust and Savior of my heart,
Who pain didst under go for my poor sake;
I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace,
Reigning omnipotent in every place:
So come, O King, and our whole being sway;
Shine on us with the light of thy pure day.

Thou art the Life, by which alone we live,
And all our substance and our strength receive;
O comfort us in death's approaching hour,
Strong hearted then to face it by thy power.

Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness;
No harshness hast thou and no bitterness:
Make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee
And ever stay in thy sweet unity.

Our hope is in no other save in thee;
Our faith is built up on thy promise free;
O grant to us such stronger hope and sure
That we can boldly conquer and endure.

BENEDICTION

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

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WEEKLY BIBLE READING (August 1 - August 7)

Matthew 3-4 • Matthew 5 • Matthew 6 • Matthew 7 • Matthew 8

Announcements

OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK is Betty Carter who serves as a counselor with Daymark Pastoral Counseling. With Daymark, Betty uses God's Word to guide and counsel people in dealing with human problems while pointing people to Jesus as a way to facilitate change.

- **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.
- **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. Today is the deadline for donations.
- **SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH:** Today, during the 9:45 AM Sunday School hour we will have 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.
- **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. Call the church office if you have any questions. Deadline for submissions is August 7, 2022.
- **PICTORIAL DIRECTORY:** As requested by so many of you, we are working on an updated pictorial church directory. During the fellowship brunch today, 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.
- **COME SING WITH THE AVPC 15-MINUTE CHOIR (AUGUST 7):** Come rehearse a classic hymn anthem ("Wonderful Grace of Jesus") in the choir room from 10:40–10:55 AM on Sunday, August 7, then sing that anthem with the choir in the LATE SERVICE. *(Note: the choir will exit the choir loft before the sermon so that singers can sit with the congregation for the sermon. Or people attending the early service can stick around to sing the late service anthem, then go home after the choir sings.)* You don't have to sign up. JUST SHOW UP THAT MORNING! Music links are provided on the church website (www.avpc.org) if you want to learn your music in advance on your own. Or you can just show up and sing the melody.

Calendar

SUNDAY (JULY 31*)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Fellowship Brunch
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 Brad | I Corinthians 7:17-24
 5:00 PM Youth \$100 Dollar Sunday

MONDAY (AUGUST 1)

6:30 AM Men's Study

WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 3)

6:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

THURSDAY (AUGUST 4)

6:30 PM Young Adult Summer Thursdays

SUNDAY (AUGUST 7)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 Blake | Colossians 4:2-6

- **WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDY:** Please consider joining your sisters in Bible Study this fall. We offer two study times. We meet on Monday afternoons at the home of Wendy Allison from 3-4:30, and on Wednesday mornings in the church parlor from 9-11 AM. There is childcare for all ages offered Wednesday mornings, including supervision for homeschool work. This study time is an opportunity to get to know God better through His word and, get to know women who are a part of the body! We will be studying the book of Ecclesiastes, considering what brings meaning to our lives, a pertinent topic in this ever changing world. Study guides will be available for purchase for \$9.00 in the church parlor in August.
- **FINAL MEN'S BREAKFAST OF THE SUMMER:** This Monday, August 1, join us in the Fellowship Hall from 6:30-7:30 AM for a hearty breakfast and a heartier testimony from Mark Howard.

**Celebration of The Lord's Supper*

	07/24/22 Receipts	Year-To-Date Receipts	Year-To-Date Requirements	Over(Under) Budget
General Fund	\$10,522	\$645,637	\$729,404	(\$83,767)
Faith Promise	\$1,595	\$185,981	\$190,476	(\$4,495)

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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