



# 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.

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

March 31, 2024 | 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

## Easter Sunday

### PRELUDE

#### “Living Hope”

How great the chasm that lay between us. How high the mountain I could not climb.  
In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke your name into the night.  
Then through the darkness your loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul.  
The work is finished, the end is written. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace?  
The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.  
The cross has spoken; I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me his own.  
Beautiful Savior, I'm yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free! Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!  
You have broken every chain. There's salvation in your name.  
Jesus Christ, my living hope.*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise, your buried body began to breathe.  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me.  
Jesus, yours is the victory!

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Jesus Christ, my living hope. Jesus Christ, my living hope. Jesus Christ, my living hope.*

Words and music by Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham.

*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.*

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

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Leader) Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**(Congregation) He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!

**Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?**

Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: "The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again."

**God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.**

Then they remembered his words.

**(All) The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Adapted from Luke 24:5c-8; 1 Cor. 15:55-56; 2 Cor. 5:21.*

## **INVOCATION**

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

## **THE WELCOME OF GOD**

## **SONGS OF PRAISE**

**"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"**

"Christ the Lord is ris'n today," Alleluia!

Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!

Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

PLEASE STAND

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!  
Where, O death is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done. Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won. Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids his rise. Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led. Alleluia!  
Foll'wing our exalted Head. Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise. Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

### **"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.

**“What a Beautiful Name” (11:00 AM Service)**

You were the Word at the beginning,  
One with God the Lord Most High.  
Your hidden glory in creation,  
Now revealed in you, our Christ.

*(Chorus 1) What a beautiful Name it is,  
What a beautiful Name it is,  
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.  
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this.  
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.*

You didn't want heaven without us,  
So Jesus, you brought heaven down.  
My sin was great, your love was greater;  
What could separate us now?

*(Chorus 2) What a wonderful Name it is,  
What a wonderful Name it is,  
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.  
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this.  
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.  
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.*

*(Bridge)* Death could not hold you, the veil tore before you.  
You silence the boast of sin and grave.  
The heavens are roaring the praise of your glory,  
For you are raised to life again.  
You have no rival, you have no equal.  
Now and forever God, you reign.  
Yours is the kingdom, yours is the glory,  
Yours is the Name above all names.

*(Chorus 3) What a powerful Name it is,  
What a powerful Name it is,  
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.  
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against.  
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.*

Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood.

## **CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave  
and crowned him Lord of all.**

**We confess that often we have not bowed before him  
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.**

**We have gone along with the way of the world  
and failed to give him glory.**

**Forgive us and raise us from sin,  
that we may be your faithful people,  
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.**

**In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

Worship Sourcebook N.2.2.4.

## **SILENT CONFESSION**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

**Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory over sin and death through  
our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Worship Sourcebook N.2.4.2 and N.2.4.3.

PLEASE BE SEATED

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

*We receive  
assurance that  
Jesus Christ has  
won the victory  
over sin and  
death.*

## **“In Christ Alone”**

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my Light, my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my all in all,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones he came to save.  
‘Til on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied.  
For every sin on him was laid,  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave he rose again.  
And as he stands in victory,  
Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me.  
For I am his and he is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death;  
This is the pow’r of Christ in me.  
From life’s first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow’r of Hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from his hand.  
‘Til he returns or calls me home,  
Here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand.

Words and Music by Keith & Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend.



## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## SHARING & PRAYER

## CHORAL RESPONSE

### **“Christ Arose”**

Low in the grave he lay, Jesus, my Savior! Waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord!  
Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus, my Savior! Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus, my  
Lord! Death cannot keep his prey, Jesus, my Savior! He tore the bars away, Jesus,  
my Lord! Up from the grave he arose (he arose) with a mighty triumph o'er his  
foes (his foes). He arose a victor from the dark domain, and he lives forever with  
his saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose! He arose! Christ  
arose!

*(At this time, children ages 4 through Grade 1 are invited to attend Worship Center. They will exit to the Welcome Center to meet their teachers. 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.)*

## SCRIPTURE READING • Luke 24:13-35

<sup>24:13</sup> That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. <sup>16</sup> But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" <sup>19</sup> And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." <sup>25</sup> And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup> So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, <sup>29</sup> but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" <sup>33</sup> And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, <sup>34</sup> saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

## **SERMON • “Hearts on Fire” Rev. Brad Allison**

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Of all the resurrection appearances of Jesus that we encounter in the New Testament, this is by far the longest. It happens on Easter Sunday, Day 1 of the fifty days between Jesus’ resurrection and ascension to heaven. Two of Jesus’ followers are on a journey from Jerusalem to a village about seven miles west of Jerusalem. These two are not among the twelve apostles. The name of one of them is provided, Cleopas, and the second is possibly his wife. It is likely that they are returning home after being in Jerusalem for Passover. The text tells us that they are sad as they journey homeward, but before the story ends, their hearts are set on fire. It is this movement from sadness to energetic joy that summarizes the impact of Jesus’ resurrection.

### **I. Sad Hearts – v. 13-24**

### **II. Hearts Afire – v. 25-35**

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

## **GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **SONG OF RESPONSE**

#### **"This is Our God"**

Remember those walls that we called sin and shame? They were like prisons that we couldn't escape, but he came and he died and he rose. Those walls are rubble now. Remember those giants we called death and grave? They were like mountains that stood in our way, but he came and he died and he rose. Those giants are dead now. This is our God, this is who he is. He loves us! This is our God, this is what he does. He saves us! He bore the cross, beat the grave. Let heaven and earth proclaim this is our God, King Jesus. Remember that fear that took our breath away? Faith so weak that we could barely pray? But he heard every word, every whisper. Now those altars in the wilderness tell the story of his faithfulness. Never once did he fail, and he never will. Who pulled me out of that pit? He did. Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus. Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh. Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Jesus. Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh. Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but him. He bore the cross, beat the grave. Let heaven and earth proclaim this is our God, King Jesus.

Words and music by Brandon Lake, Pat Barrett, Phil Wickham, Steven Furtick.

*"He bore the cross,  
beat the grave.  
Let heaven and  
earth proclaim  
this is our God,  
King Jesus."*

## **SONG OF RESPONSE • (See sheet music in pews)**

PLEASE STAND

### **“Hallelujah Chorus”**

Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ and he shall reign for ever and ever. King of kings and Lord of lords forever and ever! Hallelujah!

## **BENEDICTION**

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

## **POSTLUDE**

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### **WEEKLY BIBLE READING (April 1- April 7)**

Judges 6-7 • Judges 13-14 • Judges 15-16 • Ruth 1-2 • Ruth 3-4

# Announcements

**OUR MISSIONS OF THE WEEK** are the committees and agencies which serve as support for churches, members, students and missionaries all over the world. These committees are the Administrative Committee, the Committee on Discipleship Ministries, PCA Bookstore, Covenant College, Covenant Theological Seminary, Mission to North America, Mission to the World, PCA Foundation, PCA Retirement and Benefits, Inc., Reformed University Ministries, and Ridge Haven Conference and Retreat Center.

- **ALTADENA PARK WORKDAY:** Grab your shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows, work gloves, and other useful tools, and join us for our next Altadena Park workday on Saturday, April 6, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. We will provide pizza for lunch.
- **YOUNG ADULT LUNCH:** Join us for lunch from 12:45 to 2:00 PM on Sunday, April 7 at the home of Barry and Lea Anne Parker (4725 Old Loony Mill Rd.). All between the ages of 18-30 are welcome!
- **MEMBERSHIP NIGHT:** Are you thinking about church membership at Altadena? Come to our next Membership Night on Friday, April 19. Dinner is served at 6:00 PM, followed by an informational meeting. You will meet church staff and hear about ministry opportunities. You can sign up on the AVPC website. Attendance at this or another Membership Night is required for church membership. The deadline to register is April 14.
- **GHK ART SHOW:** The GHK Art Show Fundraiser will be Thursday, April 18. Admission for this event is \$10.00 and includes dinner. There will also be a bake sale, silent auction, and activities for the kids. Sign up by using the link in our weekly newsletter or by visiting our church website.
- **WACK 2024:** Registration for WACK (Worship Arts Camp for Kids) is now open! Rising 2nd graders through rising 8th graders are invited to join us July 8 –11 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM to explore various ways they can use their talents and passions to worship. Grab a pamphlet from the Welcome Center or Parlor, or you can register on our church website.
- **WOMEN'S LUNCHEON:** The next women's small group luncheon will be Sunday, April 21. For our small group luncheons, we gather in groups of 6-8, with one person acting as hostess. The hostess chooses the details for the lunches. We hope you join in to establish or renew some connections with your sisters in Christ at AVPC. RSVP to Heather (heather@avpc.org) by April 15, and please consider volunteering to be a hostess.
- **FAITH PROMISE FOR MISSIONS UPDATE:** The Missions Team and our missionaries share our thanksgiving to the Lord and His church for the \$339,944 pledged from 100 individuals and families towards our goal of \$335,000 for our annual Missions budget. We will use this amount as we finalize our budget for 2024. You may still give to Faith Promise even if you did not make a pledge.
- **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:** We are looking to hire a female summer intern and college ministry assistant. For more information, visit our church website.
- **EASTER FLOWERS:** If you purchased Easter flowers, you may pick them up after the late service.

# Calendar

## **EASTER SUNDAY (MARCH 31)**

### **HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

- 7:00 AM Sunrise Service
- 7:20 AM Easter Breakfast
- 8:30 AM Worship Service  
Brad | Luke 24:13-35
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service

## **MONDAY (APRIL 1)**

- 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study - Fellowship Hall
- 3:00 PM WTW Bible Study - Klose Home

## **WEDNESDAY (APRIL 3)**

- 8:30 AM Covenant Mom's Prayer
- 9:00 AM WTW Bible Study - Church Parlor
- 5:00 PM Pastoral Search Committee Meeting
- 6:00 PM WTW Bible Study - Parker Home
- 6:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
- 6:30 PM Community Groups

## **THURSDAY (APRIL 4)**

- 9:00 AM Men's Coffee

## **FRIDAY (APRIL 5)**

- 1:00 PM WTW Bible Study - Bates Home

## **SATURDAY (APRIL 6)**

- 8:00 AM Altadena Park Work Day

## **SUNDAY (APRIL 7)**

- 8:30 AM Worship Service  
Michael | Psalm 13
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service
- 5:00 PM Youth Group  
Kid's Bridge Night  
Community Groups  
Men's Bible Study - Parker Home
- 6:30 PM Fellowship Dinner

**SAVE THE DATE - MORE INFORMATION COMING**

### **SPRING 2024 EVENTS**

- April 7 - Fellowship Dinner
- April 21 - Fellowship Dinner
- April 19 - Membership Night
- May 5 - Youth Sunday
- April 21 - Prayer Service
- May 12 - Mother's Day Brunch

	<b>Contributions for the Week</b>	<b>Year-To-Date Contributions</b>	<b>Year-To-Date Requirements</b>	<b>Over(Under) Budget</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	\$18,414	\$411,828	\$335,155	\$76,673
<b>Faith Promise</b>	\$5,618	\$76,335	\$59,153	\$17,183

## 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  
*Associate Pastor—Adult Ministries*

## CHURCH LEADERS

### ELDERS

Paul Barber Steve Barley Brian Beckett Grahame Bobo Brent McClenny Jack Morris  
Barry Parker Karl Poythress Thomas Prettyman Danny Wachs John Wimberly

### DEACONS

Woody Armstrong Hunter Boggs Zac Campbell David Coley Steve Driggers Al Foster Trey Holmes Matt Jackson  
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### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Heather Sommer  
*Women's Ministry Director*

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

Mary Frances Snyder  
*Children's Administrative Assistant*

Amanda Amerson  
*Children's Ministry Assistant*

### YOUNG ADULTS & MEN'S MINISTRIES

Blake Harris  
*Associate Pastor*

### YOUTH MINISTRIES

Clint Cvacho  
*Youth Director*

Callen Moyer  
*Girls' Discipleship Director*

Benjamin Lumpkin  
*Youth Worship Intern*

### ADMINISTRATIVE AND FACILITY

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Heather Sommer  
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*Organist*

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*Sound Ministry Directors*