



# 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 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

May 29, 2022 | 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

## PRELUDE

### **“She Must and Shall Go Free”**

Mercy speaks by Jesus’ blood; hear and sing, ye sons of God; justice satisfied indeed; Christ has full atonement made. Jesus’ blood speaks loud and sweet; here all Deity can meet, and without a jarring voice, welcome Zion to rejoice. “All her debts were cast on me, and she must and shall go free.” Peace of conscience, peace with God, we obtain through Jesus’ blood; Jesus’ blood speaks solid rest; we believe, and we are blest; we believe, and we are blest. “All her debts were cast on me, and she must and shall go free.” Should the law against her roar, Jesus’ blood still speaks with power, “All her debts were cast on me, and she must and shall go free.”

Gadsby Hymn #534. Music by Derek Webb and Sandra McCracken.

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

## **CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 145:3, 8-9, 17-19**

Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The LORD is good to all; and his mercy is over all that he has made. The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving toward all he has made. The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

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

## INVOCATION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

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

### THE WELCOME OF GOD

PLEASE STAND

### SONGS OF PRAISE

#### **"And Can It Be"**

And can it be that I should gain  
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died he for me who caused his pain?  
For me, who him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be?  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?

*Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?  
Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?*

He left his father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite his grace!  
Emptied himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all immense and free, for,  
O my God, it found out me.

*Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?  
Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?*

No condemnation now I dread:  
Jesus and all in him is mine.  
Alive in him my living head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine.  
Bold, I approach th' eternal throne,  
And claim the crown through Christ my own.

*Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?  
Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?*

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Amazing love! How can it be,  
That thou my God shouldst die for me?*

## **“His Mercy is More”**

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?  
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum.  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord, his mercy is more.  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn,  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?  
What Father so tender is calling us home?  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest the poor.  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord, his mercy is more.  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn,  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.*

What riches of kindness he lavished on us.  
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost.  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

*Praise the Lord, his mercy is more.  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn,  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more.*

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Stronger than darkness, new every morn,  
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Words and music by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell.

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, be merciful to us as sinners;  
this we are by nature and practice,  
this your Word proclaims us to be.  
Yet you have not left us to despair,  
for there is no “perhaps” in your grace;  
We have all the assurance we need  
that with you is plenteous redemption.  
In spite of the number of our sins  
may we encourage ourselves  
by a sense of your all-sufficiency,  
by faith in your promises.  
To that dear refuge  
in which many have sheltered from every storm,  
may we return.  
In that fountain always freely open for sin  
may we be cleansed from every defilement.  
By your Holy Spirit within us, transform our hearts  
so that we might joyfully consent to your law  
and delight in your will and love for us.  
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Adapted from *The Valley of Vision*: “Mercy”

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON • Romans 3:21-24

Hear the Good News. A righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

**Thanks be to God.**

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*As a corporate body, we confess our sins to God and call out to him for forgiveness and renewal through the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ.*

*We receive assurance that through Jesus Christ, we are justified and redeemed.*

## **HYMN OF RESPONSE**

### **“Out of My Bondage, My Sorrow, and Night”**

Out of my bondage, my sorrow, and night,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;  
Into your freedom, your gladness, and light,  
Jesus, I come to you.

Out of my sickness, into your health,  
Out of my poverty, into your wealth.  
Out of my sin into your holy self,  
Jesus, I come to you.

Out of my shame and my failure and loss,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;  
Into the glorious gain of your cross,  
Jesus, I come to you.  
Out of earth's sorrows, into your balm,  
Out of life's storms and into your deep calm.  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,  
Jesus, I come to you.

Out of unrest and my arrogant pride,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;  
Into your perfect, blessed will to abide,  
Jesus, I come to you.

Out of my prison to dwell in your love,  
Out of despair into raptures above.  
Upward forever on wings like a dove,  
Jesus, I come to you.

Out of my fear and the dread of the tomb,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come;  
Into the joy and the light of your home,  
Jesus, I come to you.

Out of the deep depths of ruin untold,  
Into the peace of your sheltering fold.  
Ever your glorious face to behold,  
Jesus, I come to you. Jesus, I come to you.

Original words by W.T. Sleeper. Alternate words by Steve Whitner. Music by Steve Whitner.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## PASTORAL PRAYER

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

## SCRIPTURE READING • Jude 17-23

<sup>4:17</sup> But you must remember, beloved, the predictions of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> They said to you, "In the last time there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly passions." <sup>19</sup> It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, <sup>21</sup> keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. <sup>22</sup> And have mercy on those who doubt; <sup>23</sup> save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

## **SERMON • “Contending for the Faith” Rev. Blake Harris**

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This morning, Jude gets to the nuts and bolts of practical application: how do we contend for the faith? In light of the fearsome dangers and fate of the false teachers, Jude says, first, contend for your own hearts; then, contend for the hearts of others.

### **I. Contend for Your Own Hearts (vv. 17-21)**

### **II. Contend for the Hearts of Others (vv. 22-23)**

## **GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

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

## **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00 AM Service)**

Addy Kate Armstrong, Adelaide Gamble, Tyler McCrory, Zephaniah Putman,  
Joseph Savoie

## **THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 AM Service)**

Tyler McCrory, Zephaniah Putman

## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*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.*

*("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

### **"By Thy Mercy"**

Jesus, Lord of life and glory, bend from heaven thy gracious ear; while our waiting souls adore thee, friend of helpless sinners, hear. From the depth of nature's blindness, from the hardening power of sin, from all malice and unkindness, from the pride that lurks within, by thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord. When temptation sorely presses in the day of Satan's power, in our times of deep distresses, in each dark and trying hour; when the world around is smiling in the time of wealth and ease, earthly joys our hearts beguiling, in the day of health and peace, by thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord. In the weary hours of sickness, in the times of grief and pain, when we feel our mortal weakness, when all human help is vain; in the solemn hour of dying, in the awful judgment day, may our souls, on thee relying, find thee still our Rock and Stay. By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord.

Words by James J. Cummins. Music by Greg Thompson.

## **HYMN OF RESPONSE • #460 (vs.1-4, 6)**

PLEASE STAND

### **“Amazing Grace”**

Amazing grace! — how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now I'm found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be,  
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we first begun.

## **BENEDICTION**

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

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### **WEEKLY BIBLE READING (May 30 - June 5)**

Isaiah 6,9 • Isaiah 44-45 • Isaiah 52-53 • Isaiah 65-66 • Micah 1, 5

# Announcements

**OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK** is Anthony and Sayo Odtohan who live and serve in Chiba, Japan. They serve with Mission to the World where Anthony serves as a ministry assistant and deacon for Bilingual Worship in Oyumino Christ Church.

- **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.
- **CHILDREN'S SUMMER CAMPS:** Registrations for Camp Solid Rock and WACK campers are now available. Forms for both camps can be found in the Parlor or Welcome Center. You can also register online by visiting the "Events" tab of the church website and drop-down to "Event Registration". The last chance for the early bird sign up for WACK is June 5.
- **CAMP SOLID ROCK ROCKING VOLUNTEERS:** join us for a brief evening of prayer and preparation on Wednesday, June 1st at 5:30 in the Children's Ministry Fireplace Room.
- **GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN BIRMINGHAM:** The General Assembly of the PCA denomination is being held in Birmingham this year, June 21-24, and our Presbytery (Evangel) is hosting. Volunteers are needed from every church and there are a number of ways in which you can help. To view serving opportunities, or to sign up, go to <https://signup.com/go/jwqcmEY>. Also, did you know that there are numerous activities planned for women, children and families? A complete schedule of the conference can be found here: <https://pcaga.org/>. Note that visitors are invited to join the worship services on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Service times vary so check the schedule.
- **FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH MISSION TRIP:** There are still envelopes available for you to contribute to the youth mission trip this July. Stop by the board in the Welcome Center, choose an envelope with the amount you'd like to give. Scan the QR code and give online, or drop a check in the display box or offering plate. Be sure to write "Youth Mission Trip" in the Memo line.
- **SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE:** The Summer Sunday School schedule is available for you to read and choose your next class. There is an important announcement regarding the plan for the last Sunday of each month in this document as well. Copies are available in the Parlor, Welcome Center or online.
- **ARTWORK FOR ART GALLERY:** If you have a painting, drawing, or other form of hangable art that you have created, please contact Janet Friday ([janetfriday@mindspring.com](mailto:janetfriday@mindspring.com)) and find out more details about sharing your creation with your church family. More details are in this week's E-news. We look forward to seeing your creativity!

# Calendar

## SUNDAY (MAY 29\*)

8:30 AM     Worship Service  
 9:45 AM     Sunday School  
 11:00 AM    Worship Service  
               Blake | Jude 17-23

## MONDAY (MAY 30)

HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY - Church Office Closed

## WEDNESDAY (JUNE 1)

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

## SUNDAY (JUNE 5)

8:30 AM     Worship Service  
 9:45 AM     Sunday School  
 11:00 AM    Worship Service  
               Blake | Jude 24-25

- **SALTSHAKER AVAILABLE:** The June edition of our monthly newsletter, *The Saltshaker*, is now available in the Parlor, Welcome Center or online.
- **KITCHEN MINISTRIES COORDINATOR:** As events are getting back to a regular routine, we are still in need of a Kitchen Coordinator to serve our church body. Please take this need before the Lord in prayer and refer anyone you think may be interested to [christine@avpc.org](mailto:christine@avpc.org). A complete description and application can be found on our website, under the "About Us" tab, drop-down "Employment Opportunities."
- **FELLOWSHIP TEAM:** Are you curious about who the fellowship team is, and what they do? Come to an informational/planning meeting on Thursday, June 2, at 6:30 PM

\*Celebration of The Lord's Supper

|                      | 05/22/22<br>Receipts | Year-To-Date<br>Receipts | Year-To-Date<br>Requirements | Over(Under)<br>Budget |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>General Fund</b>  | \$17,577             | \$483,000                | \$502,577                    | (\$19,577)            |
| <b>Faith Promise</b> | \$5,368              | \$130,022                | \$127,655                    | \$2,367               |

## **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

### **DEACONS**

Hunter Boggs David Coley Al Foster Trey Holmes Matt Jackson Russell Lloyd  
Josh Moore Darren Popwell Josh Putman Bill Sommer Rob Wise

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

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

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

Catie Lumpkin  
*Children's Director*  
Diana Lloyd  
*Nursery Director*

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRIES**

Heather Sommer  
*Women's Ministry Director*

### **YOUTH MINISTRIES**

Clint Cvacho  
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Michael Whitner  
*Youth Worship Leader*

### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FACILITY**

Christine Rowlette  
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Connor Bingham  
*Administrative Assistant*  
Jimmie Campbell  
*Bookkeeper*  
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### **WORSHIP MINISTRIES**

Heather Sommer  
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Young jin Jeon  
*Organist*  
Carol Apol & Ricky Klose  
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