



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

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

PRELUDE

“Psalm 119 - Lamedh”

Forever, O Lord, your Word stands forever. Forever, it will endure. O, your faithfulness, it stretches across the years. You keep the earth in its place. By your Word, they stand, your servants at your command. For all things serve you, Lord. If your law had not been my delight, I would have perished in my sin. I will not forget your command for by them you’ve given me life. The wicked lie in wait to destroy me, but I consider your law. I have seen a limit to all perfection, but your law covers all things.

Words by Zachary Snow. Music by Zachary Snow and Michael Bobo.

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

CALL TO WORSHIP • Psalm 8

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

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

"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

THE WELCOME OF GOD

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

PLEASE STAND

SONGS OF PRAISE

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on him cast your care.
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one.
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

“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.

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander — Lord, I feel it —
Prone to leave the God I love:
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.

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Seal it for thy courts above.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord God, who inhabits eternity,

**The heavens declare your glory,
the earth your riches, the universe is your temple;**

**Your presence fills immensity,
yet you have of your pleasure created life,
and communicated happiness;**

**You have made us what we are,
and given us all that we have;**

In you we live and move and have our being;

**Your providence has set the bounds of our habitation,
and wisely administers all our affairs.**

**We thank you for your riches to us in Jesus,
for the unclouded revelation of him in your Word.**

**Lead us to feel the continual need for our savior,
to cry with Job, "I am vile,"
with Peter, "I perish,"
with the publican, "Be merciful to me, a sinner."**

**Remove our love for sin;
let us know the need for renovation
as well as forgiveness,
in order to serve and enjoy you forever.**

**Forgive us for questioning your wisdom,
for profaning your glorious name,
for doubting your presence and your goodness.**

**Impress us deeply with a sense that you are always with us;
you are familiar with all our ways,
our paths,
our lying down,
and our end.**

We pray for these things in the all-prevailing name of Jesus. Amen.

Adapted from Valley of Vision: "God, the Source of All Good".

PLEASE BE SEATED

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

SILENT CONFESSION

*We receive
assurance that
through Christ, we
are reconciled to
God and he to us.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON • Colossians 1:14-16, 19-20

(Leader) Brothers and sisters in Christ: God has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.

(All) For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #44

“How Great Thou Art”

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed.

*(Refrain) Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art!*

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze: *(Refrain)*

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin. *(Refrain)*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great thou art. *(Refrain)*

Arrangement by Stuart Hine. Music based on a Swedish Folk Melody.

PLEASE STAND

In 1886, Swedish pastor, Carl Boberg, was visiting in the countryside, where he was caught in a sudden thunderstorm. After a period of awesome and violent lightning and thunder, the skies cleared to brilliant sunshine and the sweet singing of birds in the trees. In worship of God, Boberg penned a poem that would eventually become the hymn, “How Great Thou Art.” In the early 1900’s, English missionary, Stuart Hine, translated the poem, (which was now being sung as a hymn) into English. Later, when World War II broke out, Hines added the hopeful and triumphant fourth verse to the hymn.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING & PRAYER

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

SCRIPTURE READING • Genesis 2:4-17

^{2:4} These are the generations
of the heavens and the earth when they were created,
in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens.

⁵ When no bush of the field was yet in the land and no small plant of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain on the land, and there was no man to work the ground, ⁶ and a mist was going up from the land and was watering the whole face of the ground— ⁷ then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. ⁸ And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹ And out of the ground the Lord God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

¹⁰ A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. ¹¹ The name of the first is the Pishon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold. ¹² And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. ¹³ The name of the second river is the Gihon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Cush. ¹⁴ And the name of the third river is the Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

¹⁵ The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. ¹⁶ And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

SERMON • “The Sacred Nature of Work” Rev. Brad Allison

There are times when things are separated that belong together, with harmful results. For example, if Valentine’s Day is separated from romantic gifts, the results are not pleasing, something I found out the hard way early in my marriage when I gave Wendy an umbrella for Valentine’s Day. Today’s text keeps together two things commonly separated in our day, the sacred and the secular. Even in the church, many look upon the sacred activities of Sunday as completely different from the secular activities of Monday through Saturday. As we continue looking at a theology of work, we see in Genesis 2 that a prominent feature of life in God’s paradise is to keep together the sacred and the secular. God intends all of life to be sacred worship. Let’s explore this further by considering the two commands of verse 15.

I. Work the Garden

II. Keep the Garden

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

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SONG OF RESPONSE

*“What is the chief
end of man?
Man’s chief end
is to glorify God
and to enjoy him
forever.”*

*Westminster
Shorter
Catechism Q.1.*

“Be Thou My Vision”

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art—thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one. Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now; and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art. High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heav’n’s Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

HYMN OF RESPONSE • #559

PLEASE STAND

“Father, I Know That All My Life”

Father, I know that all my life is portioned out for me;
The changes that are sure to come, I do not fear to see:
I ask thee for a present mind, intent on pleasing thee.

I would not have the restless will that hurries to and fro,
Seeking for some great thing to do, or secret thing to know;
I would be treated as a child, and guided where I go.

I ask thee for the daily strength, to none that ask denied,
A mind to blend with outward life, while keeping at thy side,
Content to fill a little space, if thou be glorified.

In service which thy will appoints there are no bonds for me;
My secret heart is taught the truth that makes thy children free;
A life of self-renouncing love is one of liberty.

BENEDICTION

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

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WEEKLY BIBLE READING (May 8 - May 15)

Proverbs 1-2 • Proverbs 3-4 • Proverbs 16-18 • Proverbs 31 • 1 Kings 11-12

Announcements

OUR MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK are Keith and Lois Betsch who serve stateside in North Carolina with Wycliffe/JAARS. Keith currently serves as the Broader Pacific Senior Field Coordinator, and Lois serves in the clinic at JAARS.

- **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.
- **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".
- **YAKAMA MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER:** You are invited to participate in a church-wide talent show to raise funds for the upcoming youth mission trip to Sacred Road Ministries and the Yakama people. Come join the fun on Saturday, May 21 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. Participating acts should register with Clint Cvacho ASAP. Questions? Contact clint@avpc.org
- **PRAYER AND PRAISE SERVICE:** Join us for our next prayer and praise service to be held next Sunday night, May 15, from 5:00 to 6:00 PM, in Altadena Park. Bring your own seating.
- **FUNDRAISER FOR YOUTH MISSION TRIP:** Come check out the 100 Envelopes board in the Welcome Center. The youth group is raising support toward their mission trip to Sacred Road Ministries and they are asking church members - young and old - to make a donation. Choose an envelope today 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.
- **MEDICAL MISSION TRIP:** There will be an informational meeting in the Conference Room directly after the late service next Sunday, May 15, to discuss the upcoming Juarez Medical Missions trip from November 5-12, 2022. We are looking for approximately 7-8 individuals from AVPC. If you are a physician, dentist, RN, PT/OT, ultrasound tech, or have other healthcare background, you are needed! We also have room for 1-2 non medical people. Come to the meeting with all your questions, or contact Hunter Boggs at 205-603-8692 or dhunterboggs@gmail.com
- **URBAN HOPE:** Snack/drink donations needed! It is that time of year again when we support Urban Hope Success Academy by collecting individually wrapped snacks, water bottles, and drink boxes. No peanut items, please! Items may be placed in the tubs in the parlor and welcome center from now until May 22.
- **WEBSITE REDESIGN:** Our updated and redesigned AVPC website is up and running. Thank you for your patience as we iron out some bugs. Be sure to take a look and get familiar with the new layout and expanded features. If you have any questions, call the church office for assistance.

Calendar

SUNDAY (MAY 8)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 Brad preaching | Genesis 2

MONDAY (MAY 9)

6:30 AM Men's Study

TUESDAY (MAY 10)

7:00 PM Joint Diaconate/Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY (MAY 11)

6:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

SUNDAY (MAY 15)

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 Blake preaching | Jude 1-4
 12:00 PM Missions Team Lunch and Mtg
 5:00 PM Prayer and Praise in the Park

- **FACILITIES MANAGER POSITION:** Upon the resignation of our current facilities manager, Jody Fredrickson, we need you to be in prayer for God's provision of a new Facilities Manager for AVPC. This is a full-time position and does include benefits. A complete description and application can be found on our website, under the "About Us" tab, drop-down "Employment Opportunities." Refer anyone you think may be interested to christine@avpc.
- **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. A complete description and application can be found on our website, under the "About Us" tab, drop-down "Employment Opportunities."

	05/01/22 Receipts	Year-To-Date Receipts	Year-To-Date Requirements	Over(Under) Budget
General Fund	\$12,954	\$410,650	\$436,402	(\$25,752)
Faith Promise	\$2,500	\$108,742	\$111,807	(\$3,066)

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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