

WORSHIP SERVICE

July 22, 2018

Call to Worship | Psalms 66:1-2, 4

In the Call to Worship, God invites us into His presence to worship Him. He calls us to focus our minds and our hearts as we encounter Him.

Leader : Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

All: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.

This Is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

(Chorus)

This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings
Who rules the nations with truth and justice?
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

(Repeat Chorus)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquers the grave
And worthy is the Lamb who was slain
And worthy is the King who conquers the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy, worthy, worthy

(Repeat Chorus)

Come Ye Sinners

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.

Preparing to Confess Our Sins | Psalm 139:23-24

God's holiness confronts us with our sin, and the Bible calls us to confess our brokenness and our shortcomings. But we confess in freedom, knowing that our sins have been forgiven through Jesus.

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Silent Confession

Confessing Our Sins Together

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness | Romans 5:1-2

God has taken away our sin through Jesus' perfect sacrifice. All He requires of us is that we repent and believe in Him.

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Song of Assurance | Look What God Has Done

Look what God has done, He redeemed us with His blood
We were lost and dead in sin, He came for us
Look what God has done, He adopted us in love
We were orphans without hope, now His children

(Chorus)

Who are we that He would save us?
Who are we that He would send us?
To God be glory through Christ our Savior's church
Through all generations
To God be glory through Christ our Savior's work
Forever and ever

Look what God has done, through His sacrifice we're one
Sinner's unified by grace, bound together
Look what God has done, by His Spirit, through His Son
By the power of His hand, He is sending

(Repeat Chorus)

Lift your hands and praise Him
See His great compassion
See His mercy for us
Raise your voice and thank Him
See the church He's building
See the lost He's saving

Look at Jesus Christ, He redeems His precious bride
By His costly sacrifice, we're invited
See the wisdom of His ways, in the mystery of grace
Every age and every race, we're united

(Repeat Chorus)

Pastoral Prayer

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 Offerings | You Are With Me

Out of gratitude for what God has given us, we present offerings to Him.

When my eyes cannot see
I will trust You in the valley
I won't fear anything
For Your presence
It surrounds me

(Pre-Chorus)

Cause You are the one who lifts me up
When I am weak, You are strong
You're faithful, You're faithful
You are the one who brings me hope
Your love will never let me go
You're faithful, You're faithful

(Chorus)

In the darkest hour
In the middle of the raging sea
When I'm in the battle
Lord, You are with me
Your light is shining
You make the darkness flee
You are my rescue
Lord, You are with me!

In the desert, in the flood
Lord, Your promise is enough for me
You are gracious, You are good
Never failing God, Your love endures

(Repeat Pre-Chorus)

(Repeat Chorus TWICE)

The Doxology (Please stand)

Doxology means “glory words.” When we consider God’s great love, the natural response is to thank Him.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Amen

Children ages three through fifth grade are welcome to go to Children’s Church or they may remain in the sanctuary.

Scripture Reading | John 14:1–6

The Bible is God's Word, and He speaks to us through it.

¹ “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.
² In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Communion

We welcome to communion all who are baptized believers in Jesus Christ and who belong to a church that proclaims his gospel, the good news.

Jesus calls his followers to this special thanksgiving meal with him, which is why it is called the *Lord's Supper*. Communion is a special way for Christ's followers to experience him spiritually. The Bible says that when we eat the bread and drink the wine by faith, the Holy Spirit helps us to share in all that our Savior accomplished for us on the cross (1 Corinthians 10: 16-17 ; 11: 23-26). During communion we are spiritually nourished and grow in grace.

Jesus is the host of this meal. He serves us his forgiveness, righteousness, life, and power to know him better.

If you are not a believer, we're glad you're here! We hope that during communion you think about your need for Jesus who said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father but through me." God is calling his people to a great wedding feast –our ultimate communion with him in heaven. We must come to Christ with the empty hand of faith and embrace his costly gift of grace. It is our prayer that you place your trust in Christ. We can not bend our minds to God until we bow our hearts to him.

Note: The outer ring of the drink tray contains grape juice.

The Lord's Supper is a sacrament in which bread and wine are given and received as Christ directed to proclaim His death. Those who receive the Lord's Supper in the right way share in his body and blood with all his benefits, not physically but by faith, and become spiritually stronger and grow in grace. (The Westminster Catechism)

Receiving the Elements | Wide

He will bind up the brokenhearted
Lift high the disregarded
Make their weakness strong
He will dust off the hurt and fallen
Show love to those forgotten
Tell them they belong

(Pre-Chorus)

If you count yourselves with the least of these
Hear the Savior's voice
And follow where it leads

(Chorus)

Through the lowest lows
And the highest highs
To His open arms
On the other side
Where the broken souls
Find the narrow road is wide

He will reach out to those forsaken
Die on the cross to save them
Wash away their sin
He will break every evil spell
Tear down the gates of hell
And bring them home with Him

(Repeat Pre-Chorus & Chorus)

Oh how blessed are the poor
Who only have the Lord

(Repeat Chorus)

Where the broken souls
Find the narrow road is wide

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 heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all!

The Benediction

God sends us out into the world with His blessing.

WELCOME TO ALISO CREEK CHURCH

NEW TO OUR CHURCH? – We'd love to meet you! Please fill out the connect card on the back of the bulletin and we'll gladly be in touch.

NEED PRAYER? – Submit requests to alisocreekchurch.org/prayer

WEEKLY UPDATES – For weekly emails about what's happening at our church, please submit a request to eva@alisocreekchurch.org.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS – These are available on the Ministry Tables. Please return the bags after worship.

POOL DAYS - Splash in on Tuesdays, July 24 - Aug. 13 at 10AM-12PM. Bring your towels & sunscreen to the Gastils' home. RSVP to Liz at lgastil@yahoo.com or 949.294.8766.

SUMMER KIDS' PROGRAM - Wed, July 25 from 9:00am-12:00pm at the Sheetz's home. Join us to learn about Paul's missionary journeys through lessons, activities, games and crafts. If you plan to attend, email laura@alisocreekchurch.org.

THE VINE - YOUTH GROUP - Wed, July 25, 7pm in the youth lounge. Jr. High & High School meets every Wed. Friends welcome! Check us out on Instagram @TheVine_AlisoCreek.

MEN'S BOOKS & BRU – Tue, July 24, at 6:30pm. Join our men's night of dinner & conversation at the Brü Grill in Lake Forest.

WOMEN'S BOOKS & BRU – Tue, July 31, at 6:30pm. Ladies, lets enjoy a casual evening discussing an article at the Brü Grill in Lake Forest.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP – Don't miss! Thursday July 26 at 7:30pm, we'll meet at Nick and Katie's home to meditate on a psalm, engage in meaningful conversation, and eat dessert. Text Nick for more details (805.218.4250).

MONARCH BEACH DAYS – Fridays, July 27, and Aug 10 & 17 from 11:30am. Bring friends and RSVP to carlajean16@gmail.com to get on the guard gate list and receive emails (directions & cancellations.)

COMMUNITY GROUPS LEADERS' MEETING - On July 29, after worship, we'll host a lunch meeting to discuss our future plans. See Nick for more details (805.218.4250).

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP – Wed, Aug. 1, 7:00–7:45am. We meet in the church office on the 1st Wed of every month.

“BIKE CAMP” FOR THE DISABLED - Aug 6-10 at SOKA University
Volunteers will teach children and adults with Down Syndrome to ride a bicycle. Sign up for a 75minute session. Riders will bond with their volunteers so they ask you to commit to working your session for all five days. Volunteer training is on Aug 5, 4:00-5:30pm. Registration form is available at <https://www.dsaoc.org/pdfs/bikecamp/2018-bike-camp-volunteer-application.pdf> See Eva or Nick for more details.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB & POT LUCK - Wed, Sept. 5, 600-8:00pm at Gayle Mullen's home. We'll discuss *Educated* by Tara Westover. Also on Wed, Dec. 12, 600-8:00pm at Kristin Phillips' home we'll share thoughts on *Befriend: Create Belonging in an Age of Judgment, Isolation, and Fear* by Scott Sauls. Call Christine Emmons at 949-338-2831 for more info.

More information is available online at
www.alisocreekchurch.org

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

This week, please remember Aliso Creek Church members **Phil and Stella Carter** in your prayers! The Carters are longtime staff members with CRU (*aka* Campus Crusade for Christ) based in Singapore. Both serve as part of the ministry's upper-level leadership team for East Asia and train Asian nationals for long-term, cross-cultural missions outreach.

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