



Alpharetta

BIBLE CHURCH

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

November 23rd, 2025

WELCOME TO ALPHARETTA BIBLE CHURCH

We are glad you are here to worship the living God! This worship folder is intended to guide you through the service, as well as provide you with devotional material to take home.

It is our hope you will observe four peculiarities about ABC.

First, we endeavor to make our services coherent. As we offer each regulated element of worship, you will notice each element is about ONE subject.

Second, you will notice the hymns we sing may be unfamiliar or “old school.” While we also sing contemporary songs that are sound, we choose music that best re-enforces our theme.

Third, it is our desire that you will leave our worship service not just knowing more, but loving the true and living God more.

Lastly, while we are not high church, we do believe that our primary worship service should be done with reverence. We strive to be orderly and structured without being stuffy and non-human. Thank you for joining us.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:30 AM

Announcements

- **Today’s Sunday school was our last until January 4th.**
- **Thursday was our last evening gathering until January 8th.**
- **Plan to be with us Christmas Eve. Service starts at 5 p.m.**
- **Interested in Church Membership? Click “Connect” on our church website to take the first step.**
- **Would you like to serve the Lord by serving ABC? To volunteer at ABC, visit our website, click “Connect” and complete form or request more information**

IN PREPARATION

One of our songs this morning is, “Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”. We will sing, “Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore. How He came to pay our ransom through the saving cross He bore: How He watches o’er His loved ones, those He died to make His own: How for them He’s interceding, pleading now before the throne.” What is our response to the bottomless and boundless love of God? It is to spread the praise of the Son of God from shore to shore. We will be reminded in song of some of the many reasons we should be compelled to proclaim the greatness of our God as we rehearse the ways Jesus deeply loves us.

Prelude

Call to Worship—Psalm 103:8-13

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness.

**All: He will not always strive with us,
Nor will He keep His anger forever.**

Leader: He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

**All: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him.**

Leader: As far as the east is from the west,
So far has He removed our transgressions from us.

**All: Just as a father has compassion on his children,
So the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him.**

Congregational Hymn—10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

[Chorus]

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

Verse 1

The sun comes up,
it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
when the evening comes

[Chorus]

Verse 2

You're rich in love
and You're slow to anger
Your name is great
and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness,
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
for my heart to find

[Chorus]

Matt Redman

Prayer for Tithes and Offerings

*Whether you give online or place your gift in the offertory box, we pause to acknowledge the offering of our gifts to the Lord.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

O Lord my God, I humbly bow before Your holy Majesty, acknowledging that I have grievously sinned against You in forgetfulness of Your goodness. How often, O merciful Father, have I walked in the ways of the world, and in the cares and labors of this life, neglected to remember Your tender mercies and steadfast love! I have sinned in heart, mind, and spirit, forgetting that You are slow to anger, abounding in mercy, and rich in steadfast love toward those who fear You.

I confess, O Lord, that I have not delighted in Your lovingkindness as I ought; I have doubted Your faithfulness in trials, and trusted my own understanding rather than meditating upon Your righteousness. I have been ungrateful for the daily tokens of Your mercy, the forgiveness of my sins, and the sustaining of my soul. In my forgetfulness, I have hardened my heart and allowed fear, impatience, and despair to take root, when Your lovingkindness calls me to hope and trust.

Forgive me, O gracious God, for my negligence in remembering Your loving character. Renew in me a spirit of holy remembrance, that I may ever meditate upon Your compassion, rejoice in Your goodness, and walk in the paths of Your steadfast love. Teach me, by Your Spirit, to treasure Your mercies, to glorify You in all things, and to give thanks continually for Your tender care, that my soul may find rest in You, my Rock and Redeemer.

O Lord, let my heart be daily fixed upon Your lovingkindness, that I may neither be deceived by the world, nor discouraged by trials, but always trust in the faithfulness of Your covenant, through Jesus Christ, my Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness—1 John 2:1–2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins;

Congregational Hymn—His Mercy Is More

[Chorus]

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

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.

Verse 1

What love could remember,

[Chorus]

Matt Papa

Confession of Faith

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and death?

All: That I am not my own, ¹but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, ²to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ. ³He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, ⁴and has set me free from all the power of the devil. ⁵He also preserves me in such a way ⁶that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; ⁷indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. ⁸Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life ⁹and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him. ¹⁰

1 1 Cor 6:19, 20.

2 Rom 14:7-9.

3 1 Cor 3:23; Tit 2:14.

4 1 Pet 1:18, 19; 1 Jn 1:7; 2:2.

5 Jn 8:34-36; Heb 2:14, 15; 1 Jn 3:8.

6 Jn 6:39, 40; 10:27-30; 2 Thess 3:3; 1 Pet 1:5.

7 Mt 10:29-31; Lk 21:16-18.

8 Rom 8:28.

9 Rom 8:15, 16; 2 Cor 1:21, 22; 5:5;

Eph 1:13, 14.

10 Rom 8:14.

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Nehemiah 9:15-25

15 “You provided bread from heaven for them for their hunger,
You brought forth water from a rock for them for their thirst,
And You told them to enter in order to possess
The land which You swore to give them.

16 “But they, our fathers, acted arrogantly;
They became stubborn and would not listen to Your commandments.

17 “They refused to listen, And did not remember Your wondrous deeds
which You had performed among them; So they became stubborn
and appointed a leader to return to their slavery in Egypt. But You are a
God of forgiveness, Gracious and compassionate, Slow to anger and
abounding in lovingkindness; And You did not forsake them.

18 “Even when they made for themselves A calf of molten metal
And said, ‘This is your God Who brought you up from Egypt,’ And
committed great blasphemies,

19 You, in Your great compassion, Did not forsake them in the
wilderness; The pillar of cloud did not leave them by day, To guide them
on their way, Nor the pillar of fire by night, to light for them the way in
which they were to go.

20 “You gave Your good Spirit to instruct them,
Your manna You did not withhold from their mouth,
And You gave them water for their thirst.

21 “Indeed, forty years You provided for them in the wilderness and they
were not in want; Their clothes did not wear out, nor did their feet swell.

22 “You also gave them kingdoms and peoples, And allotted them to
them as a boundary. They took possession of the land of Sihon the king
of Heshbon And the land of Og the king of Bashan.

23 “You made their sons numerous as the stars of heaven,
And You brought them into the land
Which You had told their fathers to enter and possess.

24 “So their sons entered and possessed the land.
And You subdued before them the inhabitants of the land, the
Canaanites, And You gave them into their hand, with their kings and the
peoples of the land, To do with them as they desired.

25 “They captured fortified cities and a fertile land. They took possession
of houses full of every good thing, Hewn cisterns, vineyards, olive
groves, Fruit trees in abundance. So they ate, were filled and grew fat,
And reveled in Your great goodness.

Congregational Hymn—Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Verse 1

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus,
vast, unmeasured,
boundless, free.

Rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me
is the current of Your love.

Leading onward,
leading homeward
to Your glorious rest above.

Verse 2

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus,
spread His praise
from shore to shore.
How He came to pay our ransom
through the saving cross

He bore:

How He watches
o'er His loved ones,
those He died to make His own:
How for them He's interceding,
pleading now before the throne.

Verse 3

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus,
far surpassing all the rest.

It's an ocean full of blessing in
the midst of ev'ry test.

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus,
mighty Savior, precious Friend:
You will bring us home to glory
where Your love will never end.

Samuel Trevor Francis, Bob Kauflin

New Testament Scripture Reading—Ephesians 2:1-10

¹And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,

² in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world,
according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now
working in the sons of disobedience.

³ Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our
flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by
nature children of wrath, even as the rest.

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He
loved us,

⁵ even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive
together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

⁶ and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the
heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

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⁷ so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;

⁹ not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

Prayer: Prepare Our Hearts

Congregational Song of Preparation—Speak O Lord

Verse 2

Teach us, Lord, full obedience
Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts
and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity

Cause our faith to rise,
cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of pow'r
that can never fail
Let their truth prevail
over unbelief

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Preaching of the Word—

“The Face of Jesus” Matthew

Todd Friel

Song of Response—Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

Verse 3
Simply trusting Thee,
Lord Jesus,
I behold Thee as Thou art,
And Thy love, so pure,
so changeless,
Satisfies my heart;
Satisfies its deepest longings,
Meets, supplies its ev'ry need,
And surrounds me

with its blessings;
Thine is love indeed!

[Refrain]
Jesus, I am resting, resting
In the joy of who Thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
Of Thy loving heart.

Jean S. Pigott

Presentation of New Members

Commission

Benediction—2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal comfort and good hope by grace, ¹⁷ comfort and strengthen your hearts in every good work and word.

SERMON NOTES

**In humble reliance upon the Word of God and prayer,
Alpharetta Bible Church is committed to worshipping God, making
disciples, loving and serving the body of Christ
so that we will be moved from
brokenness to wholeness.**

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday Night Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

LEADERSHIP

Todd Friel, Pastor

Todd Armistead, Deacon

Jason Allen, Pastor

Brooks Clark, Deacon

Steve Howerton, Deacon

Kenny Robillard, Deacon

Biblical Counseling
Ladies - Libby Glosson
Men - Dave Covalli

If you have a prayer need or need to speak with a pastor,
they will be available following the morning service.

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