Alpharetta
BIBLE CHURCH

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

November 1, 2026

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.
#1 We endeavor to make our services coherent. As we offer each regulated element of worship, you will notice each element is about ONE subject.
#2 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 reinforces our theme.
#3 It is our desire that you will leave our worship service not just knowing more, but loving the true and living God more.
#4 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 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

****We love having children in the service!****
If your little one gets a little fussy, please feel free to use the "Cry Room" or one of the common areas outside the worship center for the benefit of those around you. Once they've settled down, you're welcome to rejoin us.

- **Women's Ministry Event - Cultivating Gratitude**
  Friday, 11/6, 6-8 p.m. Register Now!

- **Member Meeting**
  Sunday, 11/8, after the worship service.

- **Church-wide Fellowship Meal**
  11/15 - Save the date!

- **Send a little encouragement to our college students**
  See Jennifer Armistead for details.

IN PREPARATION

Psalm 125:1
Those who trust in the Lord Are as Mount Zion, which cannot be moved but abides forever.

Prelude

Call to Worship—Psalm 40:1-4

Leader: I waited patiently for the Lord;
And He inclined to me and heard my cry.

All: He brought me up out of the pit of destruction, out of the miry clay, And He set my feet upon a rock making my footsteps firm.

Leader: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; Many will see and fear And will trust in the Lord.

All: How blessed is the man who has made the Lord his trust, And has not turned to the proud, nor to those who lapse into falsehood.

Congregational Hymn—By Faith

Verse 1
By faith we see the hand of God
in the light
of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those
who prove His faithfulness,
who walk by faith
and not by sight.

Verse 2
By faith our fathers
roamed the earth,
with the pow'r of His promise
in their hearts
of a holy city
built by God's own hand,
a place where
peace and justice reign.

[Chorus]
We will stand
as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on Him,
our souls' reward;
till the race is finished
and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith
and not by sight.

Verse 3
By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah
would appear,
with the pow'r to break
the chains of sin and death
and rise triumphant
from the grave.

[Chorus]

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty,
Stuart Townend

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.

The Lord's Supper—Instruction & Reflection

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Holy and Righteous Father,

I confess that I have sinned against Your holiness in thought, word, and deed. I have loved what I should hate, neglected what I should cherish, and treated lightly what You have declared weighty.

I have been proud when I should be humble, self-reliant when I should depend upon You, and more concerned with the consequences of sin than with the offense it brings against You.

Search me, O God, and expose the sins I excuse, the pride I overlook, and the unbelief I tolerate. Even my repentance is imperfect, and my resolve is often weak. I cannot trust in the quality of my confession or the strength of my promises. My only hope is Jesus Christ, who bore the judgment my sins deserve and whose righteousness alone makes me acceptable before You.

Forgive me for His sake. Cleanse me from my sin, quiet my guilty conscience, and strengthen me to forsake what dishonors You. Keep me from deception and false assurance. Give me genuine faith that rests upon Christ, trembles at Your Word, embraces Your promises, and produces obedience.

Thank You that there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Complete the work You have begun in me, until I stand before You clothed not in my own righteousness, but in the perfect righteousness of my Savior.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness—2 Corinthians 5:21

21 He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Congregational Hymn—At the Cross

Verse 1
Alas, and did my Savior bleed,
and did my Sov'reign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
for such a worm as I?

[Chorus]
At the cross, at the cross,
where I first saw the light,
and the burden of my heart rolled
away,
it was there by faith
I received my sight,
and now I am happy all the day!

Verse 2
Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown,
and love beyond degree!

[Chorus]

Salvation Army refrain, Isaac Watts

Confession of Faith

Question 21: What is true faith?

True faith is a sure knowledge whereby I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in His Word.[1] At the same time it is a firm confidence[2] that not only to others, but also to me,[3] God has granted forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness, and salvation,[4] out of mere grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits.[5] This faith the Holy Spirit works in my heart by the gospel.[6]

1 Jn 17:3, 17; Heb 11:1-3; Jas 2:19.
2 Rom 4:18-21; 5:1; 10:10; Heb 4:16.
3 Gal 2:20.
4 Rom 1:17; Heb 10:10.
5 Rom 3:20-26; Gal 2:16; Eph 2:8-10.
6 Acts 16:14; Rom 1:16; 10:17; 1 Cor 1:21.

Heidelberg Catechism

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Jeremiah 17:5-8

5 Thus says the Lord,
"Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind
And makes flesh his strength,
And whose heart turns away from the Lord.
6 "For he will be like a bush in the desert
And will not see when prosperity comes,
But will live in stony wastes in the wilderness,
A land of salt without inhabitant.
7 "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord
And whose trust is the Lord.
8 "For he will be like a tree planted by the water,
That extends its roots by a stream
And will not fear when the heat comes;
But its leaves will be green,
And it will not be anxious in a year of drought
Nor cease to yield fruit.

Congregational Hymn—Come, Ye Sinners; He Will Hold Me Fast

Verse 1
Come, ye sinners,
poor and needy,
weak and wounded,
sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
full of pity, love, and pow'r.

[Chorus]
I will arise and go to Jesus;
He will embrace me in His arms;
in the arms of my dear Savior,
oh, there are
ten thousand charms.

Verse 2
Come, ye thirsty,
come and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
true belief and true repentance,
ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.

[Chorus]

Caleb Taylor, Joseph Hart

Verse 1
When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast;
when the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
through life's fearful path;
for my love is often cold:
He must hold me fast.

Chorus
He will hold me fast;
He will hold me fast;
for my Savior loves me so—
He will hold me fast.

Verse 2
Those He saves are His delight;
Christ will hold me fast;
precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost;
His promises shall last;
bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

[Chorus]

Ada Habershon, Matt Merker

New Testament Scripture Reading—1 Peter 1:3-9

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who
according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a
living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
4 to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and
will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,
5 who are protected by the power of God through faith for a
salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.
6 In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if
necessary, you have been distressed by various trials,
7 so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold
which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to
result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;
8 and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you
do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy
inexpressible and full of glory,
9 obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.

Prayer: Prepare Our Hearts

Congregational Song of Preparation—Speak, O Lord

Verse 3
Speak, O Lord,
and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights
of Your plans for us:
truths unchanged
from the dawn of time
that will echo down
through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand
on Your promises,
and by faith we'll walk
as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord,
till Your church is built
and the earth is filled
with Your glory.

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Preaching of the Word—

"False Teachers Make False Converts"
2 Peter 2:17-22

Todd Friel

Song of Response—Give Me Jesus

Verse 1
In the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
give me Jesus.

[Chorus]
Give me Jesus,
give me Jesus.
You can have all this world—
give me Jesus.

Verse 3
Oh, when I am alone,
oh, when I am alone,
oh, when I am alone,
give me Jesus.

[Chorus]

Verse 4
Oh, when I come to die,
oh, when I come to die,
oh, when I come to die,
give me Jesus.

[Chorus]

Jubilee Songs of Fisk University, 1872

Commission

Benediction—Jude 24-25

24 Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy,
25 to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Assisting in Worship: Preaching — Pastor Todd Friel; Service Leader — Pastor Jason Allen;
Musicians: Piano — Patsy Butman; Guitar — Jack Ward; Song Leaders — Jennifer Snowden, Lindsay White, Lauren Glosson, Eunice Montecillo, Alex McCurley
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Prayer of Confession - Anonymous

SERMON NOTES

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

ONLINE GIVING LINK:



LEADERSHIP

Todd Friel, Pastor/Elder

Jason Allen, Pastor/Elder

Todd Armistead, Elder

Bob Bishop, Deacon

John Butman, Deacon

Brooks Clark, Deacon

Steve Howerton, Deacon

Gil Snowden, 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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