



Alpharetta

BIBLE CHURCH

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

August 16th, 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.

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 reinforces 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 a.m.

Announcements

- **Children’s & Youth Ministry Training, Thursday, 8/20 @ 6 p.m. (dinner provided). Register now!**
- **ABC One Day Women’s Conference, Saturday, 8/29, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Register in the lobby today!**
- **Evangelism training event with Andrew Walkington, Sunday, 8/30, after the worship service. Lunch provided. Register now!**
- **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 the form or request more information.**

IN PREPARATION

Psalm 145:18-19

¹⁸ The Lord is near to all who call upon Him,
To all who call upon Him in truth.

¹⁹ He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him;
He will also hear their cry and will save them.

Prelude

Call to Worship—Psalm 116:1-2

Leader: I love the Lord,

All: because He hears my voice *and* my supplications.

Leader: Because He has inclined His ear to me,

All: Therefore I shall call *upon Him* as long as I live.

Congregational Hymn—O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Verse 1

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

Verse 2

Under the shadow of Thy throne,
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is Thine arm alone,
and our defense is sure.

Verse 3

Before the hills in order stood
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting Thou art God,
to endless years the same.

Verse 6

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be Thou our Guide
while life shall last,
and our eternal home!

Isaac Watts

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

Merciful Father,

We confess that when trouble comes, we often fail to run to You.

Forgive us for praying too little when we suffer and complaining too much. Forgive us for trusting ourselves more readily than we trust You. Forgive us for allowing fear to speak louder than Your promises.

You are our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. You are the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort. Your ears are attentive to the prayers of Your children. Yet we often live as though we are alone. Forgive us.

CONT'D

When we are afraid, teach us to seek You. When we are overwhelmed, teach us to come to You. When we are weak, teach us to depend upon You. When we cannot find words to pray, remind us that Your Spirit intercedes for us.

Thank You that You do not despise the cries of Your children. Thank You that through Christ we may draw near with confidence to Your throne of grace, knowing that we will receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Teach us to say with the psalmist, “I love the LORD, because He hears my voice and my supplications.”

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our refuge, our strength, and our comfort.

Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness—Psalm 103:10–12

¹⁰ He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. ¹² As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Congregational Hymn—Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Verse 1

Wonderful, merciful Savior,
precious Redeemer and Friend;
who would have thought
that a Lamb could
rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

[Chorus]

You are the One that we praise,
You are the One we adore.
You give the healing
and grace our
hearts always hunger for;
oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Dawn Rodgers, Eric Wyse

Confession of Faith

Question 26

Leader: What do you believe when you say, “I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?”

All: That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth, with all that is in them,¹ who still upholds and governs them by His eternal counsel and providence,² is for the sake of Christ His Son my God and my Father;³ in whom I so trust, as to have no doubt that He will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul;⁴ and further, that whatever evil He sends upon me in this vale of tears He will turn to my good;⁵ for He is able to do so as Almighty God,⁶ and willing as a faithful Father.⁷

¹ Gen 1-2; Ex 20:11; Job 38-39; Ps 33:6; Isa 44:24; Acts 4:24, 14:15;

² Ps 104:27-30; Mt 6:30, 10:29; Eph 1:11;

³ Jn 1:12-13; Rom 8:15-16; Gal 4:4-7; Eph 1:5;

⁴ Ps 55:22; Mt 6:25-26; Lk 12:22-31;

⁵ Rom 8:28;

⁶ Gen 18:14; Rom 8:31-39;

⁷ Mt 6:32-33, 7:9-11

Heidelberg Catechism, 1563

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Psalm 18:1-6

¹ “I love You, O Lord, my strength.”

² The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge;
My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

³ I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
And I am saved from my enemies.

⁴ The cords of death encompassed me,
And the torrents of ungodliness terrified me.

CONT'D

⁵ The cords of Sheol surrounded me;
The snares of death confronted me.
⁶ In my distress I called upon the Lord,
And cried to my God for help;
He heard my voice out of His temple,
And my cry for help before Him came into His ears.

Congregational Hymn—Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Verse 1

Guide me, O Thou
great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven,
Bread of heaven,
feed me till I want no more;
feed me till I want no more.

Verse 2

Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream
doth flow.
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,

be Thou still my Strength and
Shield;
be Thou still my Strength and
Shield.

Verse 3

When I tread
the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside.
Bear me through
the swelling current;
land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises,
songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.

William Williams

New Testament Scripture Reading—Hebrews 4:14-16

¹⁴ Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.

¹⁶ Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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 Lord Has Heard”

Psalm 6

Jason Allen

Song of Response—O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

Verse 1

O Lord,
my Rock and my Redeemer,
greatest treasure
of my longing soul,
my God, like You
there is no other;
true delight
is found in You alone.
Your grace,
a well too deep to fathom;
Your love exceeds
the heavens' reach;
Your truth,
a fount of perfect wisdom,
my highest good,
and my unending need.

Verse 2

O Lord,
my Rock and my Redeemer,
strong Defender
of my weary heart,
my sword to fight
the cruel deceiver,
and my shield
against his hateful darts.
My song
when enemies surround me,
my hope
when tides of sorrow rise,
my joy
when trials are abounding,
Your faithfulness,
my refuge in the night.

Nathan Stiff

Commission

Benediction—Philippians 4:6-7

⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Assisting in Worship: Preaching - Pastor Jason Allen; Service Leader - Elder Todd Armistead;

Musicians: Piano - Patsy Butman; Song Leaders: Eunice Montecillo, Jennifer Snowden,

Lindsay White, Lauren Glosson, Alex McCurley

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Prayer of Confession - Anonymous

SERMON NOTES

I. The King Who Models Faith-Filled _____. VV 1-7

II. The King Who Models Faith-Filled _____. VV 8-10

Are you lamenting something in your life that you're not taking to God?
If so, what is it and why are you not entrusting it to God?

Instead of trying to manage it on your own, what would it look like to
bring your despair to God the way David does?

Where are you tempted to place your hope in something other than
God's character and promises?

How does knowing "the LORD has heard" change how you face your
current hardship?

**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

Bob Bishop, Deacon

Jason Allen, Pastor/Elder

John Butman, Deacon

Todd Armistead, Elder

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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