



Alpharetta

BIBLE CHURCH

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

June 7th, 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

- **Youth Camp Parent Meeting - Sunday, 6/14, after service**
- **Men’s Low Country Boil - Sunday, 6/14, 5:30 p.m.**
- **Summer Brunch and Baby Sprinkle for Sylvie Abaidoo, Sunday, 6/28, 9 a.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

What is the primary motivation driving your life? Our sermon text today brings this question into focus. Jesus' return should motivate us in all things. As we worship through engaging with the Word preached today, listen for the three marks Peter provides that should govern the lives of Christians who are anticipating the return of the Lord Jesus. Let us worship Him today and faithfully steward the life He has called us to live.

Prelude

Call to Worship—Psalm 96:10-13

Leader: Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns;
Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved;

**All: He will judge the peoples with equity."
Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;**

Leader: Let the sea roar, and all it contains;
Let the field exult, and all that is in it.

**All: Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy
Before the Lord, for He is coming,**

Leader: For He is coming to judge the earth.

**All: He will judge the world in righteousness
And the peoples in His faithfulness.**

Congregational Hymn—Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Verse 1

Lo, He comes
with clouds descending,
once for our salvation slain;
thousand, thousand
saints attending
swell the triumph of His train:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Christ the Lord forever reigns.

Verse 2

Ev'ry eye shall now behold Him,
robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at naught
and sold Him,
pierced, and nailed Him

to the tree,
deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
deeply wailing
shall the true Messiah see.

Verse 3

Those dear tokens of His passion,
still His dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to His ransomed worshipers:
with what rapture,
with what rapture,
with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars!

Charles Wesley

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

Our holy and merciful Father,

You are so good to us, and yet we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Forgive our lack of gratitude, pride, unbelief, coldness, selfishness, and our failure to obey what we know to be true.

Lord Jesus, You have promised to come again, yet we confess that we often do not live in light of Your return. Instead of watchfulness, we grow spiritually careless. Instead of longing for Your appearing, we

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become consumed with temporary things. Forgive us for worldly-mindedness, complacency, compromise with sin, weak pursuit of holiness, and little urgency for the lost.

Father, while we wait for the return of Your Son from heaven, we also confess our failure to love and serve one another as You command. Forgive us for neglecting sacrificial love, and for failing to reflect the humility, unity, and compassion that should mark those awaiting their returning King.

For the sake of Christ, who died for our sins, rose again, and will come in glory, have mercy upon us. By Your Spirit, make us watchful, faithful, and heavenly minded. Teach us to live ready for Christ's return, and eager to love and serve one another until He comes.

In the name of our Savior, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness—Titus 3:3-7

³ For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another. ⁴ But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, ⁵ He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Congregational Hymn—The Power of the Cross

Verse 1

Oh, to see the dawn
of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men,
torn and beaten, then
nailed to a cross of wood.

[Refrain]

This the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath;
we stand forgiven at the cross!

Verse 4

Oh, to see my name
written in the wounds,
for through Your suff'ring
I am free!
Death is crushed to death;
life is mine to live,
won through Your selfless love!

[Refrain]

This the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God, slain for us.
What a love, what a cost -
we stand forgiven at the cross!

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Confession of Faith

Chapter 32: Of the Last Judgment

God hath appointed a day wherein He will judge the world in righteousness, by Jesus Christ; to whom all power and judgment is given of the Father; in which day, not only the apostate angels shall be judged, but likewise all persons that have lived upon the earth shall appear before the tribunal of Christ, to give an account of their thoughts, words, and deeds, and to receive according to what they have done in the body, whether good or evil.

The end of God's appointing this day, is for the manifestation of the glory of His mercy, in the eternal salvation of the elect; and of His justice, in the eternal damnation of the reprobate, who are wicked and disobedient; for then shall the righteous go into everlasting life, and receive that fullness of joy and glory, with everlasting rewards, in the presence of the Lord; but the wicked who know not God, and obey not the gospel of Jesus Christ, shall be cast aside into everlasting torments, and punished with everlasting destruction, from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power.

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The end of Christ's appointing the certainty of the day of judgment, although the day and hour be unknown to men, is that they may shake off all carnal security, and be always watchful, because they know not at what hour the Lord will come, and may ever be prepared to say, Come Lord Jesus, come quickly, Amen.

London Baptist Confession of Faith, 1689

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Malachi 3:1-2

¹ “Behold, I am going to send My messenger, and he will clear the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming,” says the Lord of hosts.

² “But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap.

Congregational Hymn—Is He Worthy?

Verse 1

Do you feel the world is broken?
(We do)

Do you feel the shadows deepen?
(We do)

But do you know that all the dark
won't stop the light from getting
through? (We do)

Do you wish that you could see it
all made new? (We do)

Verse 2

Is all creation groaning? (It is)

Is a new creation coming? (It is)

Is the glory of the Lord to be the
light within our midst? (It is)

Is it good that we remind
ourselves of this? (It is)

Chorus

Is anyone worthy?

Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal
and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah

who conquered the grave

He is David's root and the Lamb

who died to ransom the slave

[Refrain 1]

Is He worthy? Is He worthy

Of all blessing and honor
and glory?

Is He worthy of this?

He is

Verse 3

Does the Father truly love us?
(He does)

Does the Spirit move among us?
(He does)

And does Jesus, our Messiah,
hold forever those He loves? (He
does)

Does our God intend to dwell
again with us? (He does)

Chorus

Is anyone worthy?

Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal
and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah

who conquered the grave

He is David's root and the Lamb

who died to ransom the slave

Bridge

From every people and tribe

Every nation and tongue

He has made us a kingdom

and priests to God

To reign with the Son

Refrain 2

Is He worthy? Is He worthy
Of all blessing and honor and
glory?

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

Is He worthy of this?

He is!

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

He is!

He is!

New Testament Scripture Reading—Revelation 21:1-8

¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea.

² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them,

⁴ and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.”

⁵ And He who sits on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” And He *said, “Write, for these words are faithful and true.”

⁶ Then He said to me, “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost.

⁷ He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son.

⁸ But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”

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.

Preaching of the Word—

“Your Stewardship” 1 Peter 4:7-11

Todd Friel

Song of Response—Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Verse 1

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship
of kindred minds
is like to that above.

Verse 5

This glorious hope revives
our courage by the way;
while each in expectation lives
and waits to see the day.

John Fawcett

Verse 4

When we are called to part,
it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still
be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.

Commission

Benediction—1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

May the Lord cause you to increase and abound in love for one another,
and for all people, just as we also do for you; so that He may establish
your hearts without blame in holiness before our God and Father at
the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints.

Assisting in Worship: Preaching - Pastor Todd Friel; Service Leader - Pastor Jason Allen;
Musicians: Piano - Francine Lowe; Song Leaders - Elisabeth Lowe, Jennifer Snowden,
Lindsay White, Lauren Glosson

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Prayer of Confession - Anonymous

SERMON NOTES

What are Peter's three commands to the church in light of the return of Jesus?

P _____.

L _____.

Steward your _____ gift.

On a scale of 1-10, how often do you contemplate the return of Judge Jesus?

Do you know your spiritual gift?

If yes, what is it?

If no, what will you do this week to discover what it is?

How could you use your spiritual gift at ABC?

When will you start doing that?

**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

Fellowship at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

LEADERSHIP

Todd Friel, Pastor/Elder

Bob Bishop, Deacon

Jason Allen, Pastor/Elder

John Butman, Deacon

Todd Armistead, Elder

Brooks Clark, Deacon

Steve Howerton, 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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