



Alpharetta

BIBLE CHURCH

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

September 13th, 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.

- **Your Children’s Ministry Needs You**

Interested in serving or learning more?

Contact joanie@alpharettabiblechurch.org

- **Stand Fast — For Seasoned Saints**

Our new ministry begins 9/20. Sign up at the welcome center.

- **Single Professionals**

Please RSVP to joanie@alpharettabiblechurch.org to get started.

- **Young Faithful Households**

Married with small children? Connect with others in your season of life who want to honor the Lord in raising their families. Plan to gather at the Pridemore home on 9/20 from 5-7 p.m.

See Ben Pridemore or Nick Neidert for more information.

- **Men’s and Women’s Gatherings**

All men of ABC, plan to join us for a cookout at the Clemmers on Sunday, 9/27. Sign up in the midweek update. All ladies of ABC, register now in the lobby for your event on Friday, 10/2.

IN PREPARATION

Psalm 27:4

⁴One thing I have asked from the Lord, that I shall seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
To behold the beauty of the Lord
And to meditate in His temple.

Prelude

Call to Worship—Psalm 145:1-7

Leader: I will extol You, my God, O King,
And I will bless Your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless You,
And I will praise Your name forever and ever.

**All: Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised,
And His greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall praise Your works to another,
And shall declare Your mighty acts.**

Leader: On the glorious splendor of Your majesty
And on Your wonderful works, I will meditate.
Men shall speak of the power of Your awesome acts,
And I will tell of Your greatness.

**All: They shall eagerly utter the memory of Your abundant
goodness
And will shout joyfully of Your righteousness.**

Congregational Hymn—Behold Our God

Verse 1

Who has held
the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered
ev'ry grain of sand?
Kings and nations
tremble at His voice;
all creation rises to rejoice!

[Chorus]

Behold our God,
seated on His throne:
come, let us adore Him!
Behold our King!
Nothing can compare;
come, let us adore Him!

Verse 2

Who has given counsel
to the Lord?

Who can question
any of His words?
Who can teach
the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom
all His wondrous deeds?

[Chorus]

Verse 3

Who has felt
the nails upon His hands,
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal,
humbled to the grave;
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

[Chorus]

Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan
Baird, Stephen Altrogge

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

Holy and majestic God,

You are indeed seated on Your throne, and You're worthy of all glory, honor, praise, worship, reverence, and love. You are infinitely wise, perfectly holy, completely righteous, and overflowing with goodness and mercy. Yet we confess that we have not loved, honored, and feared You as we ought. Father, forgive us for failing to stand in awe of You.

CONT'D

Restore to us a right vision of who You are. Give us eyes to behold Your beauty, minds to comprehend more of Your greatness, hearts that delight in Your goodness, and souls that tremble at Your holiness. Teach us to marvel again at Your works, to meditate upon Your attributes, to rejoice in Your goodness, and to worship You with reverence and awe.

Make us like Moses, who longed to see Your glory. Make us like Isaiah, who saw Your glory and was humbled. Make us like the disciples, who fell before Christ in awe. And make us like the saints in heaven, who worship before Your throne and proclaim, “Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power.”

In the name of Your majestic and wonderful Son we pray. Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness—Colossians 2:13–14

¹³ When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions, ¹⁴ having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

Congregational Hymn—And Can It Be?

Verse 1

And can it be that I should gain
an int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me
who caused His pain?
For me, who Him
to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
that 'Thou, my God,
shouldst die for me?
Amazing love! How can it be
that 'Thou, my God,
shouldst die for me!

Verse 2

He left His Father's throne above,
so free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's
helpless race!

'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
for O my God, it found out me.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
for O my God, it found out me!

Verse 4

No condemnation now I dread:
Jesus and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
and clothed
in righteousness divine!
Bold I approach
th' eternal throne,
and claim the crown,
through Christ my own!
Bold I approach
th' eternal throne,
and claim the crown,
through Christ my own.

Charles Wesley

Confession of Faith

Chapter 2: Of God and the Holy Trinity

God, having all life,¹⁷ glory,¹⁸ goodness,¹⁹ blessedness, in and of Himself, is alone in and unto Himself all-sufficient, not standing in need of any creature which He hath made, nor deriving any glory from them,²⁰ but only manifesting His own glory in, by, unto, and upon them; He is the alone fountain of all being, of whom, through whom, and to whom are all things,²¹ and He hath most sovereign dominion over all creatures, to do by them, for them, or upon them, whatsoever Himself pleases;²² in His sight all things are open and manifest,²³ His knowledge is infinite, infallible, and independent upon the creature, so as nothing is to Him contingent or uncertain;²⁴

CONT'D

He is most holy in all His counsels, in all His works,²⁵ and in all His commands; to Him is due from angels and men, whatsoever worship,²⁶ service, or obedience, as creatures they owe unto the Creator, and whatever He is further pleased to require of them.

17 John 5:26

18 Ps. 148:13

19 Ps. 119:68

20 Job 22:2–3

21 Rom. 11:34–36

22 Dan. 4:25,34–35

23 Heb. 4:13

24 Ezek. 11:5; Acts 15:18

25 Ps. 145:17

26 Rev. 5:12–14

London Baptist Confession, 1689

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Reading—1 Chronicles 29:10–13

¹⁰ So David blessed the Lord in the sight of all the assembly; and David said, “Blessed are You, O Lord God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

¹¹ Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, indeed everything that is in the heavens and the earth; Yours is the dominion, O Lord, and You exalt Yourself as head over all.

¹² Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all, and in Your hand is power and might; and it lies in Your hand to make great and to strengthen everyone.

¹³ Now therefore, our God, we thank You, and praise Your glorious name.

Congregational Hymn—The King in All His Beauty

Verse 1

Oh, lift your eyes to heaven, see
the Holy One eternal.
Behold the Lord of Majesty,
exalted in His temple.
As symphonies of angels' praise
now strain to sound His glory.
Come worship,
fall before His grace,
the King in all His beauty.

[Chorus]

How worthy, how worthy,
how worthy,
the King in all His beauty.

Verse 2

Now see the King
who wears a crown,
one made of shame and splinters.
The Sacrifice for ruined man,
the Substitute for sinners.
As earth is stained
with royal blood,

and quakes with love and fury,
He breathes His last
and bows His head,
the King in all His beauty.

[Chorus]

Verse 3

Now see the Savior lifted up,
the Lamb who reigns in splendor.
The hope of ev'ry
tribe and tongue,
His kingdom is forever.
Bring praise and honor
to His courts,
bring wisdom, power, blessing.
For endless ages we'll adore
the King in all His beauty.

[Chorus]

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa

New Testament Scripture Reading—Romans 11:33-36

³³ Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!

³⁴ For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who became His counselor?

³⁵ Or who has first given to Him that it might be paid back to him again?

³⁶ For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer: Prepare Our Hearts

Congregational Song of Preparation—Speak, O Lord

Verse 1

Speak, O Lord,
as we come to You
to receive the food
of Your holy Word.
Take Your truth,
plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us
in Your likeness;

that the light of Christ
might be seen today
in our acts of love
and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
all Your purposes for Your glory.

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

Preaching of the Word—

“The Half Was Not Told Me” 1 Kings 10:1-13

Tim Challies

Song of Response—Doxology

Praise God,
from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him, all creatures
here below!

Praise Him above,
ye heav'nly host!
Praise Father, Son,
and Holy Ghost!
Amen.

Thomas Ken

Commission

Benediction—Hebrews 12:28

²⁸ Therefore, since we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service with reverence and awe;

Assisting in Worship: Preaching - Tim Challies; Service Leader - Pastor Jason Allen;
Musicians: Piano - Patsy Butman; 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

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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