



Alpharetta

BIBLE CHURCH

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THE LORD'S DAY

October 12th, 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 three 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.

Finally, it is our desire that you will leave our worship service not just knowing more, but loving the true and living God more. Thank you for joining us.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP — 10:30 AM

Announcements

- **Membership Meeting - Sunday, October 19th following service.** Members, be sure to review the proposed church constitution (found on ABC website under “Resources”) that will be voted on in the meeting. Please direct any questions, concerns, or comments to the elders no later than 10/12/25.
- **We are planning to observe baptism in our October 26th Sunday morning service.** If you've not been baptized as a believer and would like to be considered as a candidate for this service, please contact jason@alpharettabiblechurch.org.
- **Our next Fellowship Meal is coming up! Mark your calendars for October 26th following our worship service.**
- **Don't miss our weekly Bible study, Sundays @ 9 a.m.**
- **Men's Study Thursday @ 7 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

Do you ever doubt your eternal security with God? If so, you are not alone. However, if you are a Christian, you belong to the only world religion that offers the one thing no other belief system can - assurance of salvation. Christian, if you wrestle with doubt, why do you question your salvation? God offers assurance. Are you ready to hear from His Word how you can rest assured? Let's prepare our hearts to worship the One who is the foundation of our assurance.

Prelude

Call to Worship—Psalm 89:1-2

Leader: I will sing of the lovingkindness of the Lord forever;

All: To all generations I will make known Your faithfulness with my mouth.

Leader: For I have said, "Lovingkindness will be built up forever;

All: In the heavens You will establish Your faithfulness."

Congregational Hymn—Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness,
O God, my Father;
There is no shadow
of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been,
Thou forever wilt be.

[Refrain]

Great is Thy faithfulness,
Great is Thy faithfulness,
Morning by morning
new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand
hast provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness,
Lord unto me.

Verse 2

Summer and winter
and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars
in their courses above
Join with all nature
in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness,
mercy, and love.

[Refrain]

Verse 3

Pardon for sin
and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence
to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine and ten
thousand beside.

[Refrain]

Thomas O. Chisholm

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

ALMIGHTY GOD,

I am loved with everlasting love,
clothed in eternal righteousness,
my peace flowing like a river,
my comforts many and large,
my joy and triumph unutterable,
my soul lively with a knowledge
of salvation, my sense of
justification unclouded.

I have scarce anything to pray
for; Jesus smiles upon my soul as
a ray of heaven and my
supplications are swallowed up in
praise.

How sweet is the glorious
doctrine of election when based
upon Thy Word and wrought
inwardly within the soul!

I bless Thee that Thou wilt keep
the sinner Thou hast loved, and
hast engaged that he will not
forsake Thee, else I would never
get to heaven.

I wrong the work of grace in my
heart if I deny my new nature
and my eternal life.

If Jesus were not my
righteousness and redemption,
I would sink into nethermost hell
by my misdoings, shortcomings,
unbelief, unlove;

If Jesus were not by the power
of His Spirit my sanctification,
there is no sin I should not
commit.

O when shall I have His mind!
When shall I be conformed to
His image?

All the good things of life are
less than nothing when compared
with His love, and with one
glimpse of Thy electing favor.

All the treasures of a million
worlds could not make me richer,
happier, more contented, for His
unsearchable riches are mine.

One moment of communion
with Him, one view of His grace,
is ineffable, inestimable.

But O God, I could not long
after Thy presence if I did not
know the sweetness of it;

And such I could not know
except by Thy Spirit in my heart,
nor love Thee at all unless Thou
didst elect me, call me, adopt me,
save me.

I bless Thee for the covenant of
grace.

Valley of Vision

Assurance of Forgiveness—John 10:14–15; 28–29

¹⁴ “I am the good shepherd, and I know My own and My own know Me,
¹⁵ even as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down
My life for the sheep.

²⁸ and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one
will snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹ “My Father, who has given them to
Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the
Father’s hand.

Congregational Hymn—The Solid Rock

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus’ blood
and righteousness;
I dare not trust
the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

[Refrain]

On Christ, the solid Rock,
I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

Verse 3

His oath, His covenant,
His blood,
Support me in
the whelming flood;
When all around
my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

[Refrain]

On Christ, the solid Rock,
I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

Edward Mote

Confession of Faith

Leader: What is that union which the elect have with Christ?

All: The union which the elect have with Christ is the work of God's grace¹, whereby they are spiritually and mystically, yet really and inseparably, joined to Christ as their head and husband²; which is done in their effectual calling³.

¹ Eph. 1:22, Eph. 2:6-7

³ 1 Pet. 5:10, 1 Cor. 1:9

² 1 Cor. 6:17, John 10:28, Eph. 5:23,30

Westminster Larger Catechism, Question 66

Pastoral Prayer

Old Testament Scripture Reading—Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now, thus says the Lord, your Creator, O Jacob,
And He who formed you,
O Israel,

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name; you are Mine!

² “When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
And through the rivers, they will not overflow you.
When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched,
Nor will the flame burn you.

³ “For I am the Lord your God,
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior;
I have given Egypt as your ransom,
Cush and Seba in your place.

⁴ “Since you are precious in My sight,
Since you are honored and I love you,
I will give other men in your place and other peoples in exchange for
your life.

⁵ “Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
And gather you from the west.

Cont'd

⁶ “I will say to the north, ‘Give them up!’
And to the south, ‘Do not hold them back.’
Bring My sons from afar
And My daughters from the ends of the earth,
⁷ Everyone who is called by My name,
And whom I have created for My glory,
Whom I have formed, even whom I have made.”

Congregational Hymn—He Will Hold Me Fast

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]

Verse 3

For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
“Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last!

[Chorus]

Matt Merker

New Testament Scripture Reading—Hebrews 10:19-25

¹⁹ Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place
by the blood of Jesus,

²⁰ by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil,
that is, His flesh,

²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

Cont’d

²² let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;

²⁴ and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds,

²⁵ not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

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—

“From ‘If Only’ to ‘As It Turns Out’”

1 John 1:1-4

Jason Allen

Song of Response—How Firm a Foundation

Verse 4

“The soul that on Jesus
hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not
desert to his foes;

That soul, though all hell should
endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never
forsake!”

John Rippon

Commission

Benediction—Philippians 1:6

⁶ For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

Assisting in Worship: Preaching - Pastor/Jason Allen; Service Leader - Pastor/Mike Sandfrey
Musicians: Piano - Francine Lowe; Song Leaders - Elisabeth Lowe, Jennifer Snowden, Lindsay White
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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.**

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

Mike Sandfrey, Pastor

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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