Welcome to Worship

God Gathers Us

Welcome
Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Psalm 71:14-18 Read Responsively

But I will hope continually and will praise you yet more and more.
My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number is past my knowledge.
With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD I will come; I will remind them of your righteousness, yours alone.
O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.
So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me,
until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come.

God's Greeting

Songs of Praise

Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Bridge
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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We Fall Down

We fall down
We lay our crowns
At the feet of Jesus
The greatness of mercy and love
At the feet of Jesus

And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy is the Lamb
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Baptism of Ericka Foster

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought By day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light

Be Thou my Wisdom And Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee And Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling And I with Thee one

Riches I heed not Nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance Now and always
Thou and Thou only First in my heart
High King of heaven My treasure Thou art

High King of heaven When victory won
May I reach heaven's joys O bright heav'ns Sun
Heart of my own heart Whatever befall
Still be my Vision O Ruler of all
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Giving of Our Gifts General Fund (Next Week: GEMS & Cadets)

Children are dismissed for Children & Worship

Congregational Prayer

God Teaches Us
Scripture: Luke 18:9-14 (p. 1042)
Message: "Real Christianity: Humility & Repentance"

Give Us Clean Hands

We bow our hearts we bend our knees
Oh Spirit come make us humble
We turn our eyes from evil things
Oh Lord we cast down our idols

Chorus
Give us clean hands give us pure hearts
Let us not lift our souls to another
Give us clean hands give us pure hearts
Let us not lift our souls to another
And oh God let us be a generation that seeks
That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob
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That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob

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God Sends Us

Parting Blessing

Take All I Am

Take all I am
take all I have,
I'll do all I can for Jesus. (Repeat)

He gave me everything
When He died on Calvary
He even gave me His last breath
How could I give Him any less

Take all I am
Take all I have
I'll do all I can for Jesus (Repeat)
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Evening Worship

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Leading in Worship: Pastor Mark VanDyke
Worship Team: Hans Schoolland, Teresa Vander Veen

Welcome & Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

God's Greeting
Crown Him with Many Crowns - PH #410 vs. 1-3
By the Sea of Crystal - PH #620 vs. 1-3

Catechism Moment
Lord's Day 40 (page 911 of Psalter Hymnal)
Bind Us Together

Bind us together Lord
Bind us together with cords
That cannot be broken
Bind us together Lord
Bind us together Lord
Bind us together with love

There is only one God
There is only one King
There is only one body
That is why we can sing (repeat verse)
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Share & Prayer Time

Scripture
Readings from Daniel 10-12 (p. 888)

Message
"God Strengthens the Weary"

Song of Response
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to take Him at His word
Just to rest upon His promise
Just to know thus saith the Lord

Chorus
Jesus Jesus how I trust Him
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus Jesus precious Jesus
O for grace to trust Him more

O how sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to trust His cleansing blood
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing cleansing flood

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee
Precious Jesus Savior Friend
And I know that Thou art with me
Wilt be with me to the end
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Parting Blessing

Closing Song
To God Be the Glory - PH #632

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The ORCHARD WEEKLY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Classis Central California is this coming Tuesday, Oct. 6, 9:00am at AV. Delagates are Pastor Mark, Randy Eskes and ?.

Communion–On Oct. 11 we will come together to celebrate the Lord's Supper, a sacrament instituted by Christ to strengthen our faith and nourish our souls. As we prepare, let us reflect on our need for grace, examine our hearts, and turn to the Lord in repentance and faith. May we come with reverence, humility, and a profound sense of the privilege we have to commune with our Savior and with one another.

Profession of Faith-On October 11, we will gather for a special worship service wherein we will welcome new members to Almond Valley and celebrate communion. Our new members are Carson Heyboer and Jake Hoekstra. In preparation for this service please pray that Carson and Jake would truly be welcomed and enfolded into our fellowship through the work of the Holy Spirit.

October is Appreciation Month! Why October? October is usually the season between the busyness of starting up ministries, and preparing for the upcoming holidays so it's great to remember what is being done for the church. Throughout the month you are encouraged to remember our Pastor and staff. You can do this in your own meaningful way but here are a few ideas: praying for them and their families, texting words of encouragement, put a card in the baskets in the fellowship hall (the baskets will be out all month), supply them with a gift card to coffee shops, restaurants, or book stores, drop off goodies for their family. There are endless possibilities, so get creative!

Growing older is a blessing filled with new opportunities for fellowship, purpose, and joy. Come celebrate life, wellness, and connection at the **Bethany Active Aging Event** **October 7th from 9AM-2PM at Almond Valley CRC, 333 S. Wilma Ave., Ripon, CA.** We will have wellness and information booths on site. Whether you want to try a gentle fitness class, learn new wellness tips, or simply enjoy good company, there is something here for all older adults. Limited $5 boxed lunches will also be available while supplies last.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

· Sunday
9:30am Morning Worship–Baptism
10:45am Sunday School K-12
6:00pm Evening Worship

· Monday
6:30pm GEMS

· Tuesday
9:00am–Classis Meeting
11:00am–Women's Bible Study

· Wednesday
5:45am Men's Bible Study
7:00pm MS & HS Youth Group

· Thursday
7:00pm Worship Rehearsal

· Friday

· Saturday

· Next Sunday
9:30am Morning Worship–Prof. of Faith, Communion
10:45am Sunday School K-12
10:45am Beth Haven B & C
6:00pm Evening Worship

SUNDAY

Morning Worship
Luke 18:9-14
"Real Christianity - Humility & Repentance"

Baptism of Ericka Foster this coming Sunday–The Apostle Paul calls the church "the household of God," and our Almond Valley family is welcoming a new member next Sunday as Ericka Foster (daughter of Jacob and Anne Foster) will be baptized. In preparation for this service, pray that Ericka will be washed by Christ's blood just as she is washed by the waters of baptism.

Evening Worship
Daniel 10:1-21
"God Strengthens the Weary"

OCTOBER OFFERING SCHEDULE

10/4 General Fund 10/11 GEMS & Cadets 10/18 YWAM–Hans & Susan Oines 10/25 Interfaith Ministries

CHURCH FAMILY

Birthdays this week: 10/7 Jennifer Carrasquel 10/8 Judah VanDyke 10/10 Patricia Woodson 10/11 Avery McMurray

Anniversaries this week: 10/5 Ralph & Melody De Abreu 10/11 Ben & Ada Flores

PRAYER GUIDE

Monday- Pray for the Ghos in Japan as they finish up their ministries in Japan, Korea, China, and beyond. May their ministry of reconciliation be continued by others in the field and expand throughout Asia.

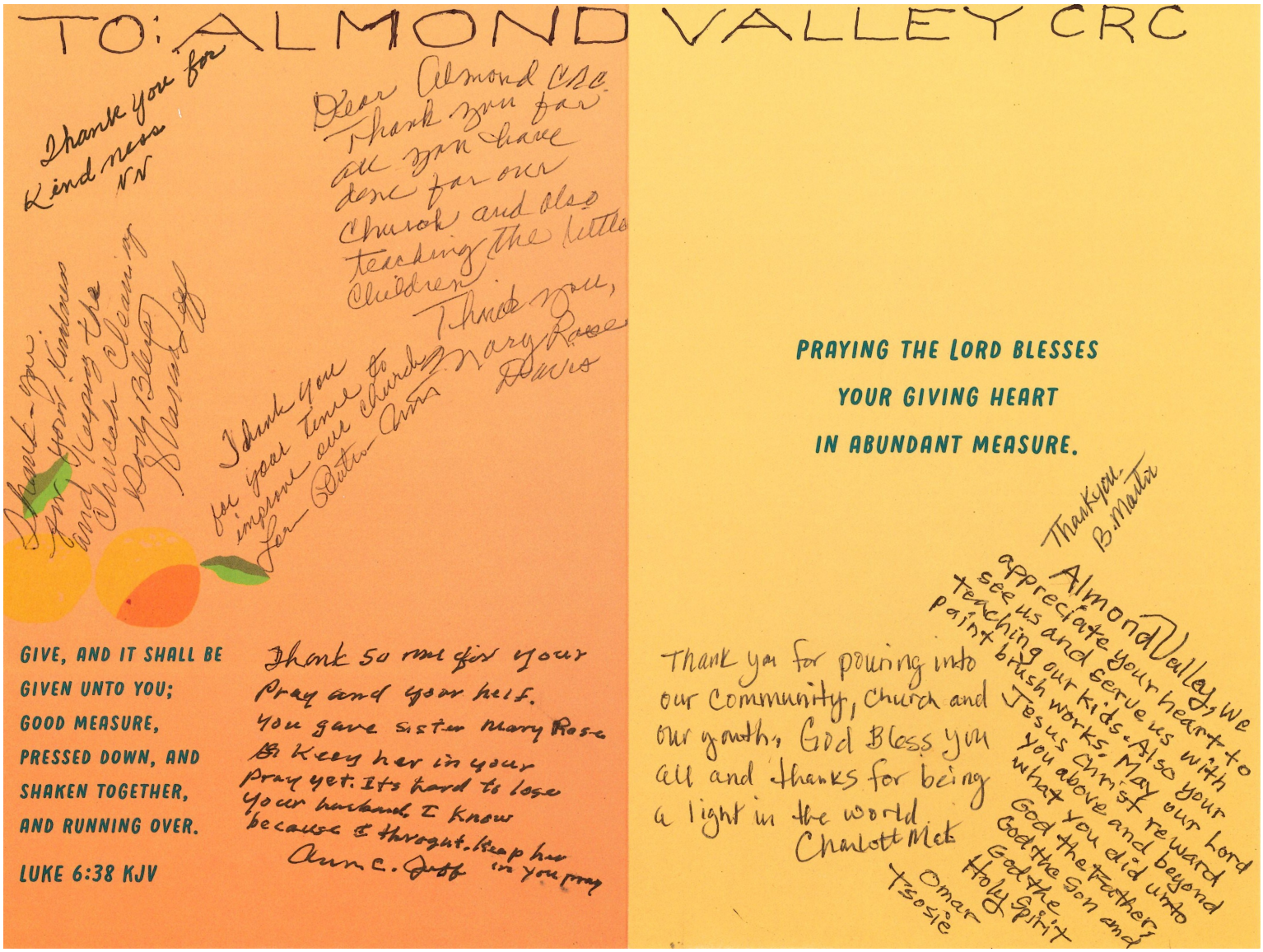
Tuesday- Pray for Classis as they meet today at AVCRC. Pray for wisdom as they interview candidates for ministry and make other decisions regarding our churches.

Wednesday- Many in our church have recently retired or are facing retirement. It can be a stressful time as so much of our identity is based on what we do in our jobs. Pray for clarity in God's calling for them in the next chapter of their lives.

Thursday- There are about 20 volunteers who help with putting on the Thursday Lunch project. Pray for the volunteers as well as the 120+ students who come for the food, fellowship and to hear the Gospel message.

Friday- May the fellowship of the saints be experienced by everyone in our church, both young and old. May we truly be a family, caring for each other with love and compassion.

Saturday- Thank God for a successful harvest and safety for the workers. As we are blessed, may we be a blessing to others. May God's grace and mercies be showered around the world.

Sunday- May our hearts be open to God's grace to us as we participate in fellowship, worship, and join together in the Lord's Supper. May God be glorified and praised.

Sharing a Thank you card from Crownpoint CRC, New Mexico—they were truly blessed!