



December 29, 2019

Order of Worship

Sunday Gathering 10:30 a.m.

@ Arctic Rec. Center

4855 Arctic Blvd. Anchorage, AK 99503

www.kaleoalaska.org



WELCOME!

We are glad you're here. We hope you find this time to be beneficial, informative, and meaningful.

May the LORD bless you.

FOR REFLECTION

The more I have grown in Christ, the more (not less) I've felt my sinfulness. The more God's light has illuminated my heart, the more I've been able to see how messed up I really am. In fact, I seem more sinful to myself now than I did in the days when I first came to know Christ! The light of God's grace first came into my heart like a small, flickering flame that allowed me to see the "big" problems in it. Now that flame has turned into a lantern, I can see smaller things. As the light grows brighter, I even see the "dust" of sin layering all that I say and do. Indeed, if we could see our heart as God does, we'd see that there is nothing we do that is not tainted by sin. Even our most righteous acts are tainted with impurity. Often the strongest evidence of my growth in grace is my growth in the knowledge of my need for grace.

J.D. Greear

*Stop Asking Jesus Into Your Heart: How to Know
for Sure You Are Saved*

#kindlequotes



PRELUDE

Good morning! Please use this time of instrumental music to settle in and prepare for worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

John 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. ***All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.***

PRAYER & SONGS

CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-10

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ***If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.***
(Let us reflect on our need for a Savior.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ***He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.***

Please silence all phones and electronic devices for the duration of the worship service.

Text in bold italics is read aloud together by the entire congregation.

Call To Worship:
Our worship begins each week with a call to worship. We are gathered here today because God, our Creator, desires to have a relationship with us. Whether we realize it or not, He is the one calling us to himself—today and every day. “Lectio Sacra” means “sacred reading.” It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services. The assumption behind this practice is that we are people who need to be shaped by all of God’s word.

Confession & Assurance
Confession of sin happens within the context of relationship, both with God and each other. We confess together, in community, before a gracious God who has given us himself. Confession both acknowledges our need for mercy and celebrates its abundance in Christ.

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NEW CITY CATECHISM Q52

What hope does everlasting life hold for us?

*It reminds us **that this present fallen world is not all there is; soon we will live with and enjoy God forever in the new city, in the new heaven and the new earth, where we will be fully and forever freed from all sin and will inhabit renewed, resurrection bodies in a renewed, restored creation.***

Revelation 21:1–4

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

www.newcitycatechism.com

SONGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEND KIDS

Faith & Repentance

...as it is written:

None is righteous, no, not one... for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God... For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord... if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved... For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved... For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life... And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

(Romans 3:10, 23; 6:23; 10:9-10, 13. John 3:16. Acts 4:12.)

New City Catechism

is a joint adult and children's catechism, adapted by Timothy Keller and Sam Shammas from the Reformation catechisms. One question and answer for each week of the year. Adults and children are asked the same questions. **The children's answer is shortened and appears in blue. See the online app.**

SCRIPTURE

1 John 4:1-6

SERMON

“The Letters of John: Remember the Real Jesus”
Pastor Chris Cha, Kaleo Church

COMMUNION

1 Corinthians 11:23-26
For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

SONGS

BLESSING & SENDING

John 16:33
I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Amen.

Prayer of Belief
Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Communion
*also called the Lord's Supper is the family meal of Christians. We invite all followers of Jesus Christ who acknowledge their sins against God and their neighbors and confess their need for the grace of Christ to partake of this meal. **Please also use this as a time of reflection, application, and prayer.***

Baptism
If you are a Christian and haven't been baptized, please talk with an elder. We would be honored to baptize you.

Seeking
We hope this time has been helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church. Our pastors and elders are available for any questions you might have.

NOTES

(Draw a picture as you listen to the sermon)

What is the sermon about?

What did you learn about God and about yourself in the sermon?

How does what you have learned today make you feel?

Is there something you could do about the truth you have learned?

What are you thankful for today?

Pray and talk to God about how you feel and what you have learned.



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CONNECT

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

I would like to...

- ☐ Meet with a pastor
- ☐ Be baptized
- ☐ Find a K-Group (small group)
- ☐ Learn more about serving
- ☐ Join this church family

I'm a...

- ☐ First time guest
- ☐ Returning guest
- ☐ Regular attendee

Please drop this card in the offering boxes located on the back tables.

NOTE OR PRAYER REQUEST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BACK TO THE BEGINNING

New City Catechism is starting over on Jan 6. One question for each week of the year. Please visit Kaleo Kids page at kaleoalaska.org to download free Catechism music to help memorization. Booklets and CDs will be available FREE at the Welcome Center.

DONUTS WITH LEADERS

Jan 12 - Do you have questions for Kaleo's leadership? Join us for coffee and donuts Sunday, January 12th from 930-1000 in the K-2nd classroom.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SLEDDING

Jan 12 - Middle schoolers are invited to sled at Kincaid Chalet (9401 Raspberry Rd) from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Contact Patrick Matthew (907)441-2478.

KALEO BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND BAPTISMS

No potluck next week. Join us on Sunday January 19th for Kaleo's birthday celebration. Baptism service has also been rescheduled for January 19th.

DIVORCE RECOVERY GROUP

Kaleo Church will be starting a divorce recovery group in January. This will be an excellent class for those who have been divorced, or are currently going through that process. The first meeting will be on January 14, at the church office. It will be important to attend from the start. This is a 13-week course, and will be meeting on Tuesday nights through April. There will be a small materials fee, and some form of childcare available for those that need it. This will not be limited to Kaleo members. If you or anyone you know would benefit from this group, please contact Brett Rawalt at 907-748-4992. Online registration will be available soon.

FIND A GROUP

K-Groups meet during the week throughout the city. You are welcome to attend them all as you look for a good fit for you or your family. Please see Pastor Cody with any questions. More information can be found at kaleoalaska.org.

NEED TO GET BAPTIZED?

Please talk to Pastor Chris or Pastor Cody. We would be honored to baptize you! Baptism is symbolic of what happens to the believer when they are saved. Dead in sin and then risen to new life in Christ. It is the first step of obedience to Jesus after one becomes a Christian.

FREE BIBLES & OFFERING BOXES ON BACK TABLES

Pick up a Bible if you need one. If you are our guest, we are glad you're here, please feel no obligation to give. Boxes are available for giving or you may give via *Pushpay* by texting "Kaleo" to 77977 to get the free app. Online giving is also available at kaleoalaska.org.