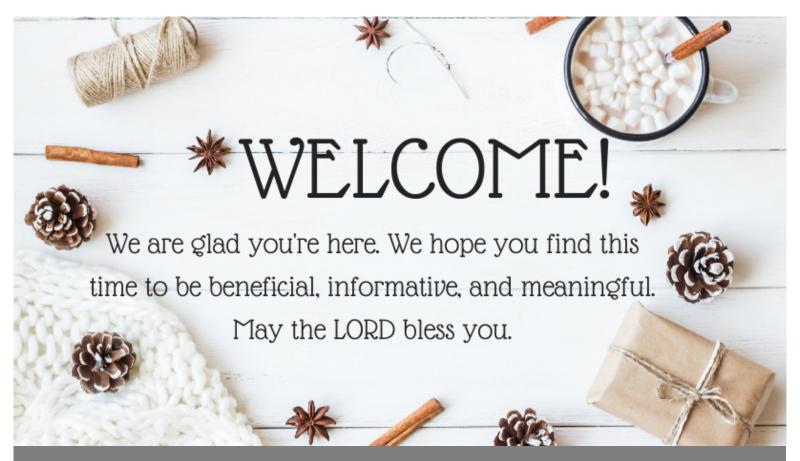




December 27, 2020

# Order of Worship

Sunday Gathering 11:45 a.m. 1301 W. 100th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99515 www.kaleoalaska.org



#### REFLECTION

"Another possible objection is this. Why is God landing in this enemy-occupied world in disguise and starting a sort of secret society to undermine the devil? Why is He not landing in force, invading it? Is it that He is not strong enough? Well, Christians think He is going to land in force; we do not know when. But we can guess why He is delaying. He wants to give us the chance of joining His side freely. I do not suppose you and I would have thought much of a Frenchman who waited till the Allies were marching into Germany and then announced he was on our side. God will invade. But I wonder whether people who ask God to interfere openly and directly in our world quite realize what it will be like when He does. When that happens, it is the end of the world. When the author walks on to the stage the play is over. God is going to invade, all right: but what is the good of saying you are on His side then, when you see the whole natural universe melting away like a dream and something else—something it never entered your head to conceive—comes crashing in: something so beautiful to some of us and so terrible to others that none of us will have any choice left? For this time it will be God without disguise; something so overwhelming that it will strike either irresistible love or irresistible horror into every creature."

Mere Christianity by C. S. Lewis

## 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. It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read during worship services.

### Confession & Assurance:

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. We are assured in the scriptures that our penalty was paid completely by Christ.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 40:3-5

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD. Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie! You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

#### SONG

#### CONFESSION

Psalm 40:11-12

As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me! For evils have encompassed me beyond number; my iniquities have overtaken me, and I cannot see; they are more than the hairs of my head; my heart fails me.

(Let's reflect on our need for a Savior.)

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Psalm 40:9-10

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD. I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

Faith & Repentance: 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

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

given among men by which we must

be saved.

#### SONG

#### **SERMON**

Acts 8:26-40
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.

#### SONG

#### **SENDING**

Psalm 40:16

But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the LORD!"

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

**Baptism** 

prayer.

reflection,

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

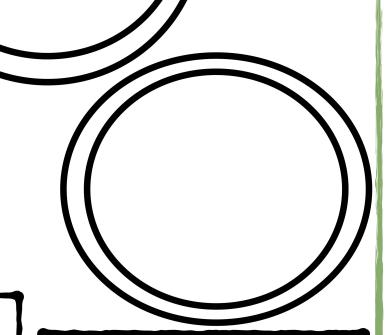
application, and

**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.



While worshipping this morning, who do you notice is leading us in singing, reading Scripture, or praying?



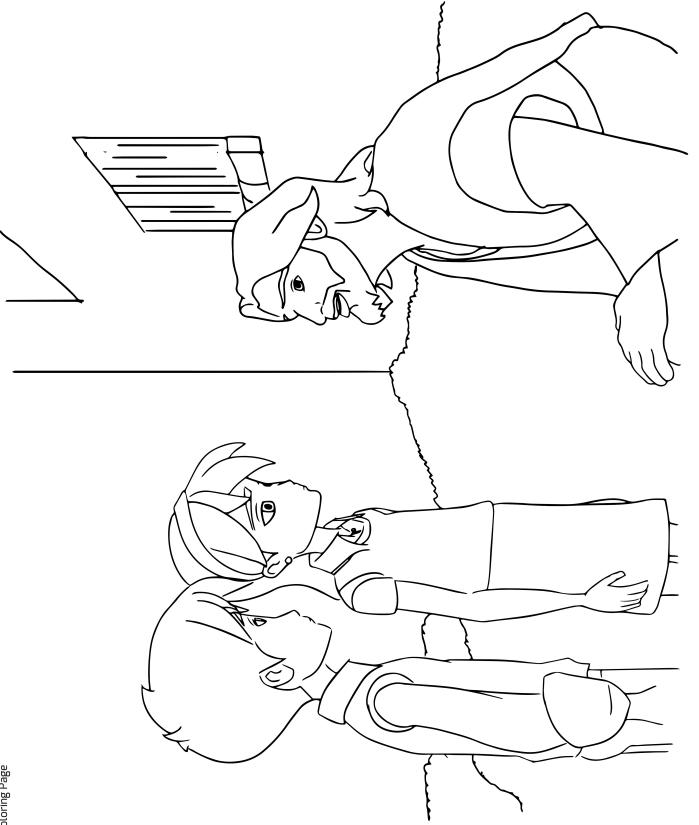
What is something that you are happy or excited about that you would like to tell God today?

What is something that you are worried or sad about that you would like to tell God today?

While listening to the sermon today, answer some of the questions below:  Who is Preaching?  Who is Preaching?  Book ChapterVerses Old Testament  New Testament	
An idea I heard talked about in the sermon today:	Good News I heard today?
	I did not understand



# God Knows Everything



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