

December 26, 2021

Order of Worship



Sunday Gathering 11:45 a.m. 1301 W. 100th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99515 www.kaleoalaska.org We hope you find this time to be meaningful and life giving. Please connect with us at <u>kaleoalaska.org</u>.

WELCOME



REFLECTION

"What a wonderful experience it is when God grants us a moment in which we don't take anything for granted, but see the world as though it was invented yesterday. How we would marvel at the wisdom of God. We should pray for the eyes of children again, when they saw everything for the first time. William Quayle reminded me of this recently in his lively book, The Pastor-Preacher. He said, "A cow has pretty eyes, as quiet as a pool of quiet water, but uneventful eyes. There is no touch of wonder in their dreamless depths. The eyes are therefore soulless. A child's eyes are fairly lightning. They are to see things: they are the windows of the brain, and bewilder like a play of swords of fire." 7 These are the eyes we need to see the unending wisdom of God running through all the world. There will be no exhausting the understanding of God. We will be making new discoveries for all eternity."

— John Piper, The Pleasures of God: Meditations on God's Delight in Being God

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. <u>It has</u> 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.

Our service is interactive.
When you see bold, we read aloud together.

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.

SONG

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's reflect on our need for a Savior and celebrate our abundance in Jesus.)

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.

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 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.)

ADVENT CANDLE

JESUS

SONGS

SERMON

Genesis 3:15 & Matthew 2:13-23 "God Protects Hls Promised One" 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

SONG

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

Communion

and Lord. Amen.

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.

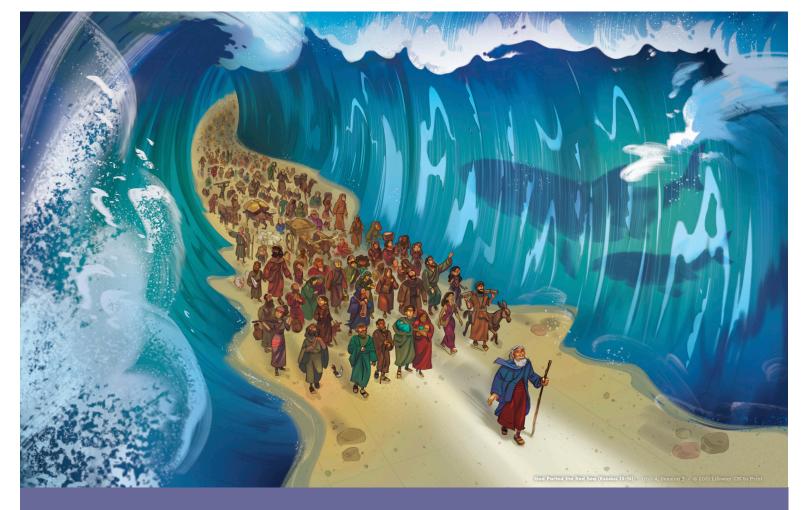
Baptism

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.

While listening to the sermon today, answer some of the questions below: Which part of the Bible is being preached? 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



KALEO KIDS in the GOSPEL PROJECT Unit 4: Out of Egypt

Unit Description: Many years had passed since God used Joseph to rescue His people from a famine by bringing them into Egypt. Now, however, God's people were in bondage and needed to be rescued. God raised up a new rescuer, Moses, to deliver His people out of Egypt and lead them back to the promised land.

Big Picture Question: Does God keep His promises? Yes, God always keeps His promises because He is faithful.



SESSION 1: God Called Moses Exodus 1-4



SESSION 2: God Delivered His People Exodus 5–12



SESSION 3: God Parted the Red Sea Exodus 13–15



SESSION 4: God Keeps His Promises Isaiah 9



TEEN KALEO

1st Sunday: Youth Jam

2nd Sunday: Bible Study and Games

3rd Sunday: Activity Event TBA

4th Sunday: Bible Study and Games

RIGHT AFTER CHURCH - PICKUP AT 3:30 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New to Kaleo?

Text *Hello* to 907-312-5454. We'd love to connect with you.

Calling Lead and Assistant Teachers!

Kaleo Kids needs one more set of teachers for each class, a lead teacher and an assistant teacher. If you could help fill this need please contact Kaleo Children's Director Lucy Matthew (907) 441-2479.

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