

July 23, 2023

# Order of Worship

Welcome! We hope you find this time meaningful and life giving. Please silence your devices for the duration of the service. Join us in the responsive readings written in **bold text**. May the LORD bless you!



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

#### Call to Worship

We gather today because God desires a relationship with us. It has been the practice of the church for thousands of years to have portions of the Bible read corporately during worship services.

# Confession & Assurance

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.

# 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 ...

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Isaiah 46.9

"...remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me..."

#### SONG

#### **CONFESSION**

Joel 1:13-14

Put on sackcloth and lament, O priests; wail, O ministers of the altar. Go in, pass the night in sackcloth, O ministers of my God! Because grain offering and drink offering are withheld from the house of your God. Consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly. Gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land to the house of the LORD your God, and cry out to the LORD.

(Let us reflect on our need for a Savior.)

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Joel 2:12-13

"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

#### **SONGS**

#### **SENDING OF KIDS**

#### **SERMON**

Book of Joel

Return: The Minor Prophets

Patrick Matthew, Elder Kaleo Church

#### COMMUNION

Also called the Lord's Supper is the family meal of Christians. We invite all followers of Jesus Christ who have examined their lives and confessed their sins to partake of this meal. This is a time of reflection, application, and prayer.

#### **Prayer for Receiving Communion**

Lord Jesus, your perfect life, death, and resurrection are the source of all blessing in this life and the life to come. As I eat this bread and drink this cup, renew me in the joy and glory of knowing and serving you. I come to this table on the basis of your merit only and not my own. As you have completely and fully offered yourself for me, I now completely and fully offer myself to you as a living sacrifice. Amen.

#### SONG

#### **SENDING**

1 Pet 2:10

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

#### Amen.

#### <u>Faith &</u> <u>Repentance</u> <u>Continued</u>

...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.)

## **WELCOME**

We are glad you're here! Visitors text "Hello" to (907) 312-2000 and pick up a complimentary coffee card at the Welcome Table.

Text "KGroup" to (907) 312-2000 for community groups info.

If you call Kaleo home, an offering box is on the wall in the back of the auditorium. You can also give online by texting any dollar amount to 84321.

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### REFLECT

Christ is like a river in another respect. A river is continually flowing, there are fresh supplies of water coming from the fountain-head continually, so that a man may live by it, and be supplied with water all his life. So Christ is an ever-flowing fountain; he is continually supplying his people, and the fountain is not spent. They who live upon Christ, may have fresh supplies from him to all eternity; they may have an increase of blessedness that is new, and new still, and which never will come to an end.

Jonathan Edwards

## **CONNECT**

We need help in Sunday School! Signup at www.kaleoalaska.org.

#### **Prayer of Belief**

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed. but through the cross, I am more loved and accepted than I ever hoped. 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.

#### **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 and your relationship with Jesus Christ.