

# Lighthouse Worship

The Cross – Pastor Jon Donohue  
Sunday, March 29, 2020



NOTE: If you utilize this guide digitally, the hyperlinks will take you directly to the videos on YouTube.

- **Opening Prayer**

Welcome the Lord into your presence, inviting Holy Spirit to come and move as He desires in your midst.

- **Read Together**

**Romans 8:1-2** Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

- **Repentance**

**For followers of Christ:** Take at least five minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Allow your sins of this past week to rise to the surface. Remember Romans 8:1-2 as you do so, claiming this truth for yourself. As each sin surfaces, ask the Lord to forgive you for it, and embrace His forgiveness. Also, ask Him to empower you to choose godliness in the future. At the end, embrace His forgiveness by stating **together:** "We receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord."

**For those who are not yet followers of Christ:** During the time of repentance, take some time to watch the following video explaining the saving hope we can have in Jesus. Allow your heart to respond.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKi2k6x7tuw>

- **Worship Through Song** (Recommended: Use computer or cast to a TV)

Mighty Cross (Elevation Worship): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EYQ3pxwk54A>

- **Read Together** (Recommended: Each person reads a verse)

**Revelation 5** Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. 2 And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" 3 But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. 4 I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. 5 Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

6 Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. He had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. 7 He came and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. 8 And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

9 And they sang a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and

nation. 10 You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."

11 Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. 12 In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" 13 Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" 14 The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

- **Worship Through Song**

Worthy is the Lamb (Hillsong): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ukKIS4EBzI>

- **Responsive Worship:**

What reasons do you have to praise Jesus today?

- **Lighthouse Message: The Cross**

YouTube Channel: Alliance Bible Church, Anchorage (available 8 AM Sunday morning)  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYnhhwO3DYtDWIcIVteIFrg>

- **Worship Through Song**

Living Hope (Phil Wickham): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9f2FXxDVO6w>

- **Discussion**

1. What have you been feeling this past week regarding the changes in our world?
2. How has today's message about the cross comforted or encouraged you in your circumstances?
3. How will you live differently in light of the cross's beaming hope this week?

- **Prayer**

Share prayer requests. Take time to pray for one another AND pray for our church, community, nation, and world. Considering 2 Chronicles 7:14, continue to live lives of repentance, prayer, humility, and godliness, calling on the Lord to heal our land and bring spiritual revival to our people.

- **Final Word**

When times are dark, the light of Christian love shines all the more brightly. How can you serve those in our church body and beyond during this season? At the same time, reach out if you have a need. We all have needs. Allow the church to serve you during this season; it is a blessing to the one serving and the one being served! That is what the Body of Christ is all about!

- **Blessing**

May the Lord richly bless you as you find your hope and comfort in the work of Jesus Christ on the cross. Know that His forgiveness is for you, His loving provision will meet your needs, and He has made the way clear to eternal life for all who believe! May the joy of these truths be yours today and this week!

## IMPORTANT:

- **Virtual Foyer-** Join us TODAY between 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM for online fellowship via Zoom <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9758310621> (Meeting ID: 975 831 0621)
- **Communion-** Next Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> is Communion Sunday! We encourage you to have the communion elements (bread and grape juice or wine) on hand in order to partake individually or as a family.
- **Giving-** Please continue to worship through giving regularly, sacrificially, and joyfully. It is through your gifts and offerings that our church is supported. You may:
  - **Text-to-Give**  
Our online giving service has an easy-to-use text option. **Text your offering amount to 84321.** (Standard message and data rates may apply.) Follow the prompts to select Alliance Bible Church and establish your account. After set up, simply text your amount to the same number for future donations.
  - **Give Online** at <https://abcdonate.churchcenter.com/giving>
  - Download the **“Church Center” App** at your preferred app store, select Alliance Bible Church, and follow the prompts to set up your account.
  - **Mail or drop off** donations to the church office: Alliance Bible Church, 941 E Dowling Rd, Anchorage, AK 99518. Office Hours: Monday-Thursday from 7:30 AM – 1:30 PM
- **ABC announcements-** visit <https://www.abcanchorage.org/updates>