

Lighthouse Worship

The Gate – Pastor Jon Donohue
Sunday, May 17, 2020



- **Opening Prayer**

As you come into this time of worship, take a few minutes time to quiet your spirit, ask forgiveness for anything that may be hindering your relationship with the Lord, and invite the Lord to speak and move in your midst.

- **Scripture Reading**

2 Samuel 22

² "The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, in whom I find protection. He is my shield, the power that saves me, and my place of safety. He is my refuge, my savior, the one who saves me from violence. ⁴ I called on the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and he saved me from my enemies. ⁵ "The waves of death overwhelmed me; floods of destruction swept over me. ⁶ The grave wrapped its ropes around me; death laid a trap in my path. ⁷ But in my distress I cried out to the LORD; yes, I cried to my God for help. He heard me from his sanctuary; my cry reached his ears...

³¹ "God's way is perfect. All the LORD's promises prove true. He is a shield for all who look to him for protection. ³² For who is God except the LORD? Who but our God is a solid rock? ³³ God is my strong fortress, and he makes my way perfect. ³⁴ He makes me as surefooted as a deer, enabling me to stand on mountain heights...

⁴⁷ "The LORD lives! Praise to my Rock! May God, the Rock of my salvation, be exalted! ⁴⁸ He is the God who pays back those who harm me; he brings down the nations under me ⁴⁹ and delivers me from my enemies. You hold me safe beyond the reach of my enemies; you save me from violent opponents. ⁵⁰ For this, O LORD, I will praise you among the nations; I will sing praises to your name.

- **Responsive Worship**

How has the Lord watched over you, protected you, and cared for you as of late? Share the stories and give Him praise!

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

Lion and the Lamb (Big Daddy Weave): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5iuUFf4LOOE>

- **Scripture Reading**

Psalm 100:1-5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth! Worship the LORD with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy. Acknowledge that the LORD is God! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation.

- **Discussion:**

What does it mean to you today that you are a sheep in the pasture of the Lord (v. 3)?

- **Special Meditative Song**

Good Shepherd/Lead On (David Ruis): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ddy6ta4e9I>

- **Lighthouse Message**

YouTube Channel: Alliance Bible Church, Anchorage (available Sunday at 8 AM)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYnhhwO3DYtDWIcIVtelFrg>

- **Discussion:**

1. What most impacted you from the message today and why?
2. How does your understanding of Jesus as “The Good Shepherd” and “The Gate for the sheep” impact how you view His care and provision for you?
3. How will you live differently this week in light of these truths?

- **Communal Prayer**

Take some time to pray for one another. Also pray for the Lord to bring healing and to move powerfully in our nation, community, and church during this challenging season.

- **Worship Through Song**

Lord I Need You (Chris Tomlin): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HlkxVMDY71I>

- **Benediction:**

May you find joy as you come to the Lord through His ONE provided Gate, Jesus Christ. May you experience renewed hope and strength as you experience the Good Shepherd’s compassionate care and provision for you. May you decide this day and this week to seek and follow the voice of the Good Shepherd only, knowing that He leads you into green pastures and beside quiet waters. Trust Him for it. His eyes of loving care are upon you.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS BELOW

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- **Virtual Foyer:** Join us via Zoom TODAY between 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/114344692?pwd=VXJubnNra3UybGNWaWcvd0FiWmg3Zz09>
- **Survey:** Help inform our re-opening plans by completing this survey.
<https://us19.list-manage.com/survey?u=9c76d0fc62b3ab84fd8699a7a&id=d0997f602d>
- **Re-Opening Update:**
Worship Gatherings will resume next Sunday, May 24. More details to come next week.
1st Service from 9:30—10:30 AM; 2nd Service from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
SIGN UP for the service you would like to attend:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1qMAFu85Np1FiPHKlwTDFSzSi1xfArAlxEKe4mNq6Rv8/edit?usp=sharing>
- **Pick a Pray Day:** <https://abcdonate.churchcenter.com/people/forms/125727>
ABC is being called to pray for our nation, community, and church. Answer the call by praying through the Prayer Prompts provided weekly via email from the office. Sign up at the link provided above.
- **Giving Options:** <https://www.abcanchorage.org/giving>
- **ABC Updates:** <https://www.abcanchorage.org/updates>