

Sun October 18, 2020 WORSHIP AT HOME WITH VICTORIA ALLIANCE CHURCH

A note before we begin...

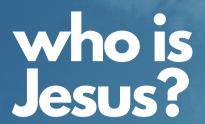
Thank you for making space and taking the time to worship with us today. This guide is intended to be a framework for full participation in worship from the comfort of your own home.

Use as much or as little of the material as you'd like, but we do encourage you to step in and try something new. Read aloud, sing along, clap your hands, or simply invite God to meet you where you're at. Every journey begins with a step, and if you let Him, Jesus will faithfully lead you on an incomparable path of grace, mercy and love. One step at a time!

If you have younger worshipers with you, we encourage you to involve them in all aspects of this time of worship. Your full participation will inspire them to jump in too, and their participation may just inspire you right back!

If you plan to tune into our video teaching at the same time as others in our community (recommended) then you will want to begin your worship at home time at around **9:45 am,** as the chat opens at **10:15am** and the Sermon Stream will begin at **10:30am.**

We suggest that you skim through this Worship at Home Guide in advance, and set up your computer or phone with the link for our broadcast, easily found on our website, **victoriaalliance.ca**.



ENTERING WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

If you have one available and feel safe doing so, light a candle and say these words aloud:

"We Light this candle to remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World, and He is with us always."

PRAISE & ADORATION

- Sing an a cappella hymn (suggested: Fairest Lord Jesus)
- Think for a moment about the names of God. Write down as many as you can think of. What name do you need most to call upon today as you come into worship?
- Sing a song of praise along with <u>VAC Spotify Playlist B</u>: Suggestions:
 - Your Love Never Fails
 - Way Maker
 - Tremble/What a Beautiful Name
- Say aloud these words of surrender: Lord Jesus, I am open to encountering your truth.

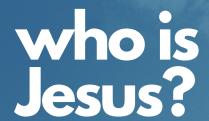
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lets spend time in prayer today. Begin by quietly meditating on this truth: Jesus is Lord.

When you feel moved, invite God to speak with you about:

- your concerns for friends, family, and neighbours
- ways to support the work of our missions partners at Camp Imadene, Esquimalt Community Youth, Operation Christmas Child
- God's work throughout the globe to make Himself known

FAIREST LORD JESUS, RULER
OF ALL OF ALL NATURE
O THOU OF GOD AND MAN
THE SON
THEE WILL I CHERISH,
THEE WILL I HONOR
THOU, MY SOUL'S GLORY,
JOY, AND CROWN



ONLINE VIDEO

The next few portions of our Worship At Home service will take place as part of our online video. Please tune in with others around the city at **victoriaalliance.online.church** (type this into any browser).

Community chat begins at 10:15 am and the video starts at 10:30am (PT).

If you're participating at any other time, the video will remain accessible throughout the week via our church website (**victoriaalliance.ca**), on **Facebook** or **Instagram**, or on our **YouTube Channel**.

WELCOME

Pastor Rob will spend a few moments saying hello and inviting us into worship. Please note we are hoping that you might join us in one of our On This Site town hall meetings this week. There is a virtual option today at 4pm via Zoom. The link is on our website victoriaalliance.ca

ON THIS SITE UPDATE

Pastor Kyla will walk us through the proposed motion before our community for consideration.

WORSHIP IN SONG

Listen, sing along, or pray through another wonderful offering from our community musicians.

SCRIPTURE READING

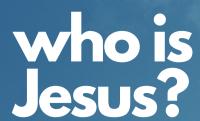
Tiess McKenzie will lead us in a series of readings today, from the Gospel of John.

MESSAGE

Pastor Kyla is kicking off a new series today exploring who Jesus is. Listen in to this first installment: *Its one thing...*

SPECIAL SONG

Close out our time of worship this morning with a special song from our archives.



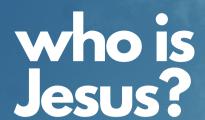
RESPONSE

REFLECTION

- Jesus claims to be both God and Messiah. How do you feel about these claims?
- Where in your life do you see evidence to support the truth of these claims?
- Is there something you feel Jesus wants to "set to right" in you today?
- Do you believe Jesus is who he says he is? What difference does this make in your life?
- Can you think of anyone who would benefit from hearing this message? Will you share it?

OFFERING

- Continue in worship as you prepare to give generously to support the mission of making Jesus known among us, around us, beyond us.
- Options for giving at home here: https://www.victoriaalliance.ca/pages/give
- Pray, asking God to guide our leaders to make wise decisions and to carry out good stewardship of the gifts presented for God's glory.
- If you or someone you know needs assistance, or if you have a resource of time you would like to donate as we seek to connect people with resources, please get in touch with our office. (email <u>office@victoriaalliance.ca</u>)



SENDING

BENEDICTION - A GOOD WORD

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

2 Thess 3:16

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

As we extinguish the candle we lit at the beginning of our service, remember that we carry the light of Jesus into the world wherever we go.

MAKING JESUS KNOWN

How might you share the claims of Jesus with someone who may not yet know Jesus? How could you share your own experiences of Jesus with those around you?

CHECKING IN

If you have the time, send us a quick email to let us know how your worship at home experience went. We rely heavily upon your feedback as we create new resources to support you through this season of social distancing. Email: **office@victoriaalliance.ca**.

If you are on Facebook or Instagram, tag us in a quick pic of your worship at home time and use the hashtag #VACeveryday to encourage our wider faith community.

See you (online) next week!