



APPROACH

Sun Aug 9, 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**.

Before you start, 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.



Now, let's begin...



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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 (suggestion: **Blessed Assurance**)
- Take a moment to consider the beauty of God's character. Take as much time as you need to complete the following sentence: God, I praise You for You are _____. Repeat as many times as you like.
- Sing a song of praise along with **VAC Spotify Playlist D:**
Suggestions:
 - **Today is the Day**
 - **Our God**
 - **In Christ Alone**
- Look around where you are right now. What do you see that sparks a memory for you? Take a moment to bring that memory before God and give thanks for how God has used that experience to form you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As you spend time with God in prayer, consider lifting before God's care: those who are ill, injured, or in pain; those who are in need of resources or assistance for day to day living; those who God brings to mind as you wait in prayer.

Join others in this prayer: (from Faith and worship)

For all whose day starts with anxiety, as they leave the security of home worrying about the risk of infection; particularly those whose health or age classifies them as vulnerable. Loving God, be close, keep them safe, along with all whose tasks today includes the care of frail and elderly. And for all of us, grant wisdom to make sensible choices, not just for ourselves, but for everybody.

BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE
O WHAT A FORETASTE OF GLORY DIVINE
HEIR OF SALVATION, PURCHASE OF GOD
BORN OF HIS SPIRIT, WASHED IN HIS
BLOOD
PERFECT SUBMISSION, ALL IS AT REST
I IN MY SAVIOR AM HAPPY AND
BLESSED
WATCHING AND WAITING, LOOKING
ABOVE
FILLED WITH HIS GOODNESS, LOST IN
HIS LOVE
THIS IS MY STORY, THIS IS MY SONG
PRAISING MY SAVIOR ALL THE DAY
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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

Bekah Hagan Ahenda will spend a few moments saying hello and inviting us into worship. Feel free to pass along your hello in the chat box! We're so glad you are here!

WORSHIP IN SONG

Pastor Kyla takes a few moments to lead us all in a simple song of worship and assurance. Please sing and clap along. *Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so, Little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong. Yes Jesus Loves me, Yes Jesus loves me, Yes Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so. Sing about his love, about his love, sing about, sing about his love, about his love sing.*

GOD'S WORD

This week Anna Olson will lead us in a reading from Psalm 103. You may want to have your Bible open to that passage to follow along.

MESSAGE

Today we have special guests Ruth and Ralph Shareski, International Workers in Germany for the past 30 years. They will be sharing with us about their current mission to fuel passion for the King and His Kingdom, bringing a message called "More Fire." It is our pleasure to give time to this amazing missionary couple who have visited us at Victoria Alliance before, and continue to connect in partnership with us, making Jesus known beyond us!



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RESPONSE

REFLECTION

- What is one takeaway from today's service that you can use to shape your walk this week?
- What did you learn about the Christian and Missionary Alliance denomination? How does this affect how you feel about our faith community's connection to the Global Advance Fund (GAF)?
- Consider saying this prayer aloud: "God, please pour out more of Your Spirit's fire."

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 office@victoriaalliance.ca)



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SENDING

BENEDICTION - A GOOD WORD

The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face shine upon you and give you peace
The Lord be gracious to you
The Lord turn his face toward you
And give you peace forever.

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 is Jesus prompting you to move this week? Will you take that step?

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!