

Worship for the Lord's Day

January 5, 2020
Second Sunday after Christmas
10:00 AM

*An asterisk * indicates standing, as you are able.
The congregation's responses are in bold italics.*

Welcome The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Announcements *Please see the bulletin insert for all announcements.*

Prelude *I Lay My Sins on Jesus* arr. Lani Smith

In order to prepare for worship, you are invited to pray silently during the prelude.

Call to Worship Psalm 147:12-20 p.545

* **Hymn** *We Three Kings of Orient Are* Hymnal #66

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we are a distracted people and forgetful of Your commands. We make selfish choices, hurt each other, and perpetuate unrighteousness within our hearts. We have sinned against You and are deeply sorry. We repent of our disregard of You and of our neighbors. By the power of Your Spirit, forgive, restore, and strengthen us to live in Your light and walk in Your truth; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, our sins are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

* **Passing the Peace of Christ**

May the peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

* **Song of Praise** *Gloria Patri* Hymnal #579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

* **Profession of Faith** *Apostles' Creed (Traditional)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

A Time For Young Christians

All children 6 and younger are invited to Children's Church in the nursery.

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson *Jeremiah 31:10-14* p.679

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God!*

Anthem *Sing Noel* Joel Ramey

Offering *Christ From Whom All Blessings Flow* O. Gibbons

During the offertory, you are invited to offer silent prayers of gratitude.

* **Song of Thanksgiving** *Doxology* Hymnal #592

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

* **Hymn** *In the Bleak Midwinter* Hymnal #36

* **New Testament Lesson** *Mark 5:1-13* p.871

Please remain standing for the reading of God's Word.

The word of God for the People of God. *Thanks be to God!*

Sermon *"Insiders and Outsiders: The Gerasene Demoniac"*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing in the Bread and the Cup

Prayer after the Meal

* **Hymn** *Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth* Hymnal #7

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Postlude** *Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love* K. Carmichael



Altavista Presbyterian Church

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
in the Presbytery of the Peaks



Our Mission

As members of the Body of Christ is to be
His voice and hands helping all people.



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Altavista Presbyterian Church strives to show compassion to all people within our Congregation and beyond our doors just as Jesus showed compassion to all those in need.

Joys and Concerns for Prayer

Please contact the church office if you have prayer concerns.

Prayers For....

- God's church here at APC and for His guidance.
- Our session & church leaders.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- Dianne Emmett
- Ryan Hedgepeth
- Cynthia Erb
- Carol Moorefield
- Al Smith
- Cherie Maulbeck – cancer
- Margaret Liebchen
- Alline Ritzer
- Joyce Coleman
- Billy Robertson
- Our service members: Jeremy Larkin, Grant Martin
- Our homebound members: Tim Coleman, Janet Soddors, Dean Smith, Essie Moore.

People to Contact at APC

Session (Active Elders)

- Kevin deBernard ('20)
Christian Education
- John Erb ('21)
Clerk of Session
- Susan Gilliam ('20)
Ministry Beyond the Congregation
- Carolyn Lees ('20)
Worship
- Barbara Podrebarac ('21)
Ministry Beyond the Congregation
- Jack Ritzer ('20)
Ministry Support
- Chip Roark ('21)
Property
- Janette Walker ('21)
Ministry Within the Congregation
- Rev. Ed Soto
Moderator of Session

Staff

- Rev. Ed Soto
Pastor
- Carolyn Doss
Church Secretary
- Dot Hogan
Organist
- Dennis Janiak
Treasurer
- Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Choir Director

Other Contacts

- Dolores Drumheller
Prayer Fellowship Request
- Jack Ritzer
The Men of the Church

Schedules

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| Ushers, January | Sang-il Lee, Jean Murphy |
| Lay Reader, January 12 | Barbie Andrews |
| Lay Reader, January 19 | Dana Taylor |
| Nursery, January 12 | Kevin deBernard |
| Nursery, January 19 | Barbie Andrews |
| Communion Servers, Today | Kevin deBernard, John Erb
Ron Coleman, Martha Moore |

January Events

January 1	Church Office Closed, Happy New Year!
January 4	4-8 PM Ed & Betsy's Open House
January 5	10 AM Worship/Communion/Children's Church
January 6	6 PM Ministry Beyond Meeting
January 7	10 AM Bible Study Men's Lunch at Noon - Hibachi Grill 4:30 PM Ministry Within Meeting 5:30 PM C.E. Meeting
January 8	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 11-12:30 PM - APC Serves the Second Helping Lunch
January 11	6:00 PM Chili Cook-Off
January 12	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Confirmation Classes Begin 5 PM Youth Group Meeting
January 14	10 AM Bible Study
January 15	9:30 AM APC Serves Lunch at Daily Bread 10:30 AM Women's Fellowship 5:30 PM Property Meeting
January 19	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Session Meeting after Worship
January 21	8:30 AM Bingo at Dialysis Center 10 AM Bible Study Men's Lunch at Noon - Applebee's 1:00 PM Bingo at Dialysis Center
January 22	8:30 AM Bingo at Dialysis Center 9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship Men's Lunch at Noon - Applebee's 1:00 PM Bingo at Dialysis Center
January 26	10 AM Worship/Children's Church 5 PM Youth Group Meeting
January 27	February Link Deadline
January 28	10 AM Bible Study
January 29	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship

Announcements

The **Lay Reader** today is **John Erb**.

The **Ministry Beyond Committee** will meet this Monday, January 6, at 6 PM at the church.

Tuesday morning **Bible Study** will meet January 7, at 10 AM in the adult classroom. All are welcome to join as Pastor Ed leads us through various studies and discussions of scripture, theology, and church history. This week's lesson is on the Introduction to the Monarchy, I Samuel 8, 10.

The Presbyterian Men will meet for our **Men's lunch** at Noon this Tuesday, January 7, at the Hibachi Grill.

The **Ministry Within Committee** will meet this Tuesday, January 7, at 4:30 PM at the church.

The **Christian Education Committee** will meet this Tuesday, January 7, at 5:30 PM at the church.

The **Prayer Fellowship** will meet this Wednesday at 9:30 AM in the pastor's study.

Our Church will be serving the **Second Helping Lunch**, Wednesday, January 8th. Volunteers are needed to serve and provide menu items. Please sign-up on the bulletin board.

The Youth Group will be sponsoring a **Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser** Saturday, January 11, at 6 PM in the fellowship hall. Contestants are needed, please sign-up on the bulletin board.

Volunteers are needed to provide **meals** for our 2020 **youth group** meetings, please sign-up on the bulletin board.

The **2020 Flower Calendar** has been posted on the bulletin board. Please take a moment to sign up to place flowers in the sanctuary for the Sunday morning of your choosing.

We are in need of **Sunday Participants** (Lay Readers, Nursery workers, Ushers, and Communion Servers) to serve in the ministry of the church for 2020. Please sign-up on the bulletin board.

January DAWN Donation: Spaghetti Sauce and Noodles