

Worship for the Lord's Day

January 15, 2017 – 2nd Sunday after Epiphany
10:00 AM

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

The Church is Gathered

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

Announcements Please see the bulletin insert for all announcements.

Prelude *Intermezzo* P. Mascagni

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

Congregational Introit *Bring We the Frankincense (v. 2)* Hymnal #62

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship Based on Psalm 29:1-2

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory of His name;
worship the LORD in holy splendor.
(All) Let us worship our God!

* **Hymn** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* Hymnal #150

*The Presbyterian Two-Cents-a-Meal offering
will be collected at the communion table during the hymn.*

Unison Prayer of Confession

*Merciful God, in baptism You promise forgiveness and new life,
making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain
preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in
Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show
reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us
hostage. In Your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us
from sin. Remind us of the promises You make in baptism so that
we may rise to new life, and live together in grace. Amen.*

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response Forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ. *Thanks be to God!*

* **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.*

* **Passing the Peace of Christ**
The peace of Christ is with you. *And also with you.*

Choral Anthem *Treasures of The Heart* Pepper Choplin

All children through the 5th grade are invited to depart for Children's Church.

To Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 49:1-7* p.629

New Testament Reading *John 1:29-42* p.922

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

Sermon *Talking About Jesus* Rev. Jeff Binder

To Thank God

* **Profession of Faith** *Apostles' Creed (Traditional)* Hymnal p.14

Offering *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* F. A. Challinor

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**

Prayers by and for the People

To See God's Word in Sacrament

- * **Hymn** *An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare* Hymnal #94

Sacrament of Our Lord's Supper Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise.
Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with the celestial choirs
and with all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of Your name:

(Unison) *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty.

With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to You
to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to Your service.

(Unison) *Christ has died,*

Christ has risen,

Christ will come again.

Prayers of Thanksgiving ♦ The Lord's Prayer (...debtors...debtors)
Sharing in the Bread and the Cup
Prayer after the Meal

To Depart to Serve God

- * **Hymn** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!* Hymnal #341

* **Charge and Benediction**

- * **Congregational Amen** *Amen* Hymnal #586

Postlude *I Love to Tell the Story* Wm. Fischer



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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Schedules

Ushers, January	Jerry Moore Mark Younkin Jack & Alline Ritzer
Lay Reader, January 22	Beverly Eubank
Lay Reader, January 29	Samantha Janiak
Nursery, January 22	Linda Janiak, Martha Moore
Nursery, January 29	Ron & Joyce Coleman
CC Teachers, January	Barbie Andrews
CC Assistant, January 22	Cynthia Erb
CC Assistant, January 29	Ron Coleman
Communion Servers, Today	David & Sally Sease Gary & Barbie Andrews

January 16-21, Daily Lectionary Reading

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>Morning: Pss. 135; 145 Evening: Pss. 97; 112 Isa. 44:6-8, 21-23 Eph. 4:1-16 Mark 3:7-19a</p>	<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12-20 Evening: Pss. 80; 27 Isa. 45:5-17 Eph. 5:15-33 Mark 4:21-34</p>
<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>Morning: Pss. 123; 146 Evening: Pss. 30; 86 Isa. 44:9-20 Eph. 4:17-32 Mark 3:19b-35</p>	<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>Morning: Pss. 130; 148 Evening: Pss. 32; 139 Isa. 45:18-25 Eph. 6:1-9 Mark 4:35-41</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1-11 Evening: Pss. 48; 4 Isa. 44:24-45:7 Eph. 5:1-14 Mark 4:1-20</p>	<p>SATURDAY</p> <p>Morning: Pss. 56; 149 Evening: Pss. 118; 111 Isa. 46:1-13 Eph. 6:10-24 Mark 5:1-20</p>

People to Contact at APC

Session (Active Elders)

Gary Andrews ('18) <i>Ministry Beyond the Congregation</i>
Beverly Eubank ('17) <i>Property</i>
Linda Janiak ('17) <i>Ministry Within the Congregation</i>
Anne Mabry ('18) <i>Worship</i>
Martha Moore ('17) <i>Christian Education</i>
Chip Roark ('18) <i>Ministry Support</i>
Dana Taylor ('18) <i>Christian Education</i>
Mark Younkin ('17) <i>Property</i>
Mikel Pugh <i>Moderator of Session</i>

Staff

Carolyn Doss <i>Church Secretary</i>
John Erb <i>Clerk of Session</i>
Dot Hogan <i>Organist</i>
Dennis Janiak <i>Treasurer</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp <i>Choir Director</i>

Other Contacts

Dolores Drumheller <i>Prayer Fellowship Request</i>
Jack Ritzer <i>The Men of the Church</i>
Jane Strebel <i>Women's Fellowship Study Leader</i>

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.
- Dean Smith's health.
- Ted Phillips' health.
- Our Pastor Nominating Committee.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- Jon Boyd (Lauren Sease Vanacore's father-in-law) having chemo for non-Hodgkins Lymphoma.
- Kim Steinhorst's daughter (Allison) as she goes through treatments for cancer.
- The Steele Family, in the death of Bob Steele.
- David Etheridge, pastor at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, as he has surgery and aggressive treatment for a rare stomach cancer.
- Ted Hogan's health.
- Julie Dalton Dollyhite (LeeAnn Sease Robinson's friend) as she goes through treatments for breast cancer.
- Linda & Craig Reilly (Mark Younkin's mother & stepfather) health concerns.
- David Lyons, cancer.
- Our homebound members, Joe Mason, Janet & Jerry Sodders, Tim Coleman.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.

Announcements

Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church! I Thessalonians 2:8 says, "We are delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well..." If you are a guest with us this morning, we are grateful for your presence among us. Please speak to one of our ushers if you have any questions about our church or our community.

The Session welcomes back to our pulpit **Rev. Jeff Binder**. Jeff is serving as the Associate Presbyter for Discipleship & Ministry with Youth & Young Adults with the Presbytery of the Peaks. His main responsibilities lie in the areas of youth, young adults, outdoor ministries, Christian education, and communications.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Kelly deBernard**.

The **Session** meets today for its monthly stated meeting. If you have a prayer concern for which your elders could pray, we invite you to write it on the insert and place it in the offering.

The Presbyterian Men will meet for our **Men's lunch** this Tuesday, January 17, at 12 Noon at Applebee's

Monday, January 23, is the deadline for articles for the **February "Link" newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to the church office.

The **2017 Flower Calendar** has been posted in the hallway. Please take a moment to sign up to place flowers in the sanctuary for the Sunday morning of your choosing.

January DAWN Donation: Canned Soup, Peanut Butter