

# Worship for the Lord's Day

March 26, 2017 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
10:00 AM

## The Church is Gathered

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

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

**Prelude** *Room At The Cross For You* Ira Stanphill

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

**Congregational** *The Earth and All That Dwell* Hymnal #176  
**Introit** *Therein* (v. 2)

## To Praise God's Name

### Call to Worship

Everyone who thirsts:

*Come to the waters, seek the Lord,  
repent and return so that you may live.*

All who are hungry for righteousness:

*Come to the waters, seek the Lord,  
repent and return so that you may live.*

All who need the help of God:

*Come to the waters, seek the Lord,  
repent and return so that you may live.*

\* **Hymn** *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed* Hymnal #78

### Unison Prayer of Confession

*Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent in our response to you. You set before us a rich feast of blessing, but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy. You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world, but we indulge our own desires. You call us to depend on you alone, but we turn to follow human conventions. Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives. Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire for a more fruitful life. Kindle in us the hope of becoming who you intend us to be. We ask this in the name of our Savior, your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

### Silent Prayers of Confession

**Choral Kyrie** *Lord Have Mercy Upon Us*

### 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** *Ah, Holy Jesus* arr. Craig Courtney

*All children through the 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to depart for Children's Church.*

## To Hear God's Word

### Prayer for Illumination

**Old Testament Reading** *II Chronicles 7:12-14, 19-22* p.378

**New Testament Reading** *Luke 23:32-43* p.919

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

**Sermon** *"The Way of the Cross: Repentance"*

## To Thank God

\* **Hymn** *How Great Thou Art* Hymnal #467

\* **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.*

**Offering**      *Though Your Sins Be As Scarlet*      Fanny Crosby  
*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 • 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.*

### To Depart to Serve God

\* **Hymn**      *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*      **Hymnal #220**

\* **Charge and Benediction**

\* **Congregational Amen**      *The Earth and All That Dwell Therein (v.4)*      **Hymnal #176**

**Postlude**      *The Way of the Cross Leads Home*      Charles Gabriel



## **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

<b>Ushers, April</b>	Garry Taylor, Jerry Moore Sang-il Lee, Mark Younkin
<b>Lay Reader, April 2</b>	Cynthia Erb
<b>Lay Reader, April 9</b>	Dana Taylor
<b>Nursery, April 2</b>	Anne & Charlotte Mabry
<b>Nursery, April 9</b>	Kevin & Kiernan deBernard
<b>CC Teachers, April</b>	Dana Taylor
<b>CC Assistant, April 2</b>	Jean Murphy
<b>CC Assistant, April 9</b>	Sally Sease
<b>Communion Servers, April 2</b>	Ron Coleman, Dennis Janiak Stephanie Moehlenkamp, Dana Taylor

## 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>
Rev. Ed Soto <i>Moderator of Session</i>

### **Staff**

Rev. Ed Soto <i>Pastor</i>
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>

## March 27- April 1, Daily Lectionary Reading

MONDAY	Morning: Pss. 119:73-80; 145 Evening: Pss. 121; 6 Jer. 16:(1-9) 10-21 Rom. 7:1-12 John 6:1-15	THURSDAY	Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12-20 Evening: Pss. 126; 102 Jer. 22:13-23 Rom. 8:12-27 John 6:41-51
TUESDAY	Morning: Pss. 34; 146 Evening: Pss. 25; 91 Jer. 17:19-27 Rom. 7:13-25 John 6:16-27	FRIDAY	Morning: Pss. 22; 148 Evening: Pss. 105; 130 Jer. 23:1-8 Rom. 8:28-39 John 6:52-59
WEDNESDAY	Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1-11 Evening: Pss. 27; 51 Jer. 18:1-11 Rom. 8:1-11 John 6:27-40	SATURDAY	Morning: Pss. 43; 149 Evening: Pss. 31; 143 Jer. 23:9-15 Rom. 9:1-18 John 6:60-71

*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 new Pastor and his Wife.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- David Etheridge, pastor at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, as he has aggressive treatment for a rare stomach cancer.
- Benny Sease, (David Sease's brother) health issues.
- Jeff Binder's brother, health issues.
- Nancy Pittard, cancer.
- Julie Dalton Dollyhite (LeeAnn Sease Robinson's friend) as she recovers from surgery.
- Linda & Craig Reilly (Mark Younkin's mother & stepfather) health concerns.
- David Lyons, cancer.
- Our homebound members, Joe Mason, Janet & Jerry Soddors, Tim Coleman.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.

## Today's Prayers and Sermon Notes

## Announcements

**Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church!** If you are a guest with us today, we extend to you the hand of fellowship in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad you are worshipping with us, and hope you will return. If you are interested in more information about our congregation, please speak to the pastor or one of our ushers at the door.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Alex & Beverly Eubank for the glory of God and in honor of Beverly's mother, Lavalette Dunn's 98<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Barbie Andrews**.

Our spring stated **Congregational Meeting** will be held today immediately after worship. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the 2019 class of elders and to conduct any business of the APC Corporation.

Again this year we will be hosting the weekly **Lenten Lunches**, sponsored by the AAMA each Wed. at 12:10 PM during Lent.

This Monday (March 27) is the deadline for articles for the **April "Link" newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to the church office.

A **reception** will be held in memory of Bob Steele April 9, immediately after worship in the fellowship hall.

Everyone is invited to our **Easter Koinonia Breakfast** Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at **9:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Your extended family and guests are welcome to join us for our meal!

You can like us on **Facebook** by going to [www.facebook.com/altavistapc](http://www.facebook.com/altavistapc). Be sure to invite your friends and family to like us as well.

**April DAWN Donation:** Spaghetti Noodles and Sauce