

Worship for the Lord's Day

May 14, 2017 – 5th Sunday of Easter
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 *When There's Love at Home* arr. Roger Wilson
In order to prepare for worship, you are invited to pray silently during the prelude.

Congregational Introit *Let Us with a Joyful Mind* Sing the Faith #2012
(V.2)

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

* **Hymn** *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* Hymnal #303

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance. Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk that we may grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Choral Kyrie *Lord, Have Mercy, Christ, Have Mercy*

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.*

To Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading *Psalm 31:1-10* p.479

Choral Anthem *Built on a Rock* Jay Althouse

New Testament Reading *I Peter 2:13-25* p.1059

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

Sermon *"Freedom and Suffering"*

To Thank God

* **Hymn** *My Soul in Silence Waits for God* Hymnal #197

* **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 *Precious Hiding Place* Wendell Loveless

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

Schedules

Ushers, May	Dennis & Jeffrey Janiak Mary Woodie & Anne Mabry
Lay Reader, May 21	Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Lay Reader, May 28	Beverly Eubank
Nursery, May 21	Garry Taylor Jackson Moehlenkamp
Nursery, May 28	Darlene Robertson Megan Ingram
CC Teachers, May	Anne Mabry
CC Assistant, May 21	Stephanie Moehlenkamp
CC Assistant, May 28	Jean Murphy

May 15-20, Daily Lectionary Reading

MONDAY	Morning: Pss. 97; 145 Evening: Pss. 124; 115 Jer. 32:1-15 Col. 3:18-4:18 Luke 7:36-50	THURSDAY	Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12-20 Evening: Pss. 68; 113 Jer. 33:1-13 Rom. 14:1-12 Luke 8:26-39
TUESDAY	Morning: Pss. 98; 146 Evening: Pss. 66; 116 Jer. 32:16-25 Rom. 12:1-21 Luke 8:1-15	FRIDAY	Morning: Pss. 96; 148 Evening: Pss. 49; 138 Deut. 31:30- 32:14 Rom. 14:13-23 Luke 8:40-56
WEDNESDAY	Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1-11 Evening: Pss. 9; 118 Jer. 32:36-44 Rom. 13:1-14 Luke 8:16-25	SATURDAY	Morning: Pss. 92; 149 Evening: Pss. 23; 114 Deut. 32:34-41 (42) 43 Rom. 15:1- 13 Luke 9:1-17

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>

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.
- Pastor Ed and his wife Betsy.
- Dean Smith's health.
- Ted Phillips' health.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- The Riley family, in death of Craig Riley (Mark Younkin's stepfather).
- Tucker Martin (Dennis & Linda Janiak's grandson) healing from surgery.
- Tom Reif (Ed's father-in-law).
- Michael & Margaret Gafford's granddaughter, broken bone in arm.
- Nancy Pittard, cancer.
- Linda Riley (Mark Younkin's mother) 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

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers and grandmothers! Thank you for your ministry of love and leadership, nurture and knowledge. May God bless you this and every day.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are dedicated to the glory of God, and in honor of Jane and Gary Strebel for all their faithful labors here at Altavista Presbyterian Church, given by Cynthia and John Erb. You both will be missed so much!

The **Lay Reader** today is **Mark Younkin**.

We will not have **Children's Church** today.

The Presbyterian Men will meet for our **Men's lunch** this Tuesday, May 16, at 12 Noon at Tuscan Grill.

The **Session** will meet in the fellowship hall next Saturday, May 20, at 8:00 AM for their retreat.

Mark your calendar for **Camp Peaks Day Camp** July 17-21, from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM at the Janiak's farm. The cost is \$35 for ages 5 -12. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board. A commitment is needed by June 29th. If you have questions, please contact Dana Taylor.

Everyone is invited to Pastor Ed's **Installation Service** Sunday May 21, at 4:00 PM. Dinner will be provided in the fellowship hall immediately after the service.

Wednesday, May 24, is the deadline for articles for the **June "Link" newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to the church office.

All members and visitors, whether you're in and out of the church regularly or only come a few times a month, you're invited to **take a survey!** This questionnaire will help Pastor Ed determine the course of Sermons, Sunday School, Bible Studies, and many other aspects of ministry at APC. You can find the survey on our website at <http://www.altapres.org/church-survey.html>. If you prefer a paper copy, please contact Pastor Ed. Please complete the survey by May 31.