

# Worship for the Lord's Day

August 19, 2018 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
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** *Lux Benigna* John Bacchus Dykes

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

## To Praise God's Name

### Call to Worship

Come, O children, listen to me;  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

*Depart from evil, and do good;  
seek peace, and pursue it.*

\* **Hymn** *Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet* **Sing the Faith**  
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### Unison Prayer of Confession

*Omniscient God, we are your children, but we turn away from your wisdom and walk in our own ways. We are foolish and fail to understand your will. Purge us from evil and fill us with your Spirit. Clear our minds from clutter that we may discern what is right and walk in your ways. Amen.*

### Silent Prayers of Confession

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

### Assurance of Forgiveness

**Response** By His sacrifice our sins are forgiven. *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.*

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

## To Hear God's Word

### Prayer for Illumination

**New Testament Reading** *Ephesians 4:1-6* p.1018

**Choral Anthem** *To Believe* Matthew Evancho  
arr. Heather Sorenson

**Old Testament Reading** *I Samuel 24:1-15* p.256

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

**Sermon** *"An Unseen Encounter"*

## To Thank God

\* **Hymn** *Blest Are the Uncorrupt in Heart* Hymnal #233

\* **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** *Ewing* Robert N. Roth

*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**      *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*      Hymnal #263

\* **Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**      *Nyland*      Finnish melody, setting by  
Murray F. Somerville



## **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, August</b>	Lee Anne Head, Jean Murphy Gary & Barbie Andrews Susan Gilliam (Aug. 12 & 19)
<b>Lay Reader, August 26</b>	Kevin deBernard
<b>Lay Reader, September 2</b>	Martha Moore
<b>Nursery, August 26</b>	Darlene Robertson
<b>Nursery September 2</b>	Need Someone

## Upcoming Events

<b>August 1</b>	11-12:30 PM Second Helping Lunch
<b>August 5</b>	10 AM Worship/Communion & Children's Church
<b>August 6</b>	6 PM, Ministry Beyond Meeting 7 PM Boy Scouts Meeting
<b>August 7</b>	Noon - Men's Lunch China Wok
<b>August 8</b>	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 11-12:30 PM Second Helping Lunch 5:30 PM Property Mtg. @ Church
<b>August 12</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church 5 PM Youth Gathering at the Janiak's
<b>August 13</b>	7 PM Boy Scouts Meeting
<b>August 14</b>	5:30 PM C.E. Meeting at the Church
<b>August 15</b>	11-12:30 PM Second Helping Lunch 1 PM DAWN Board Meeting
<b>August 19</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Session Meeting after Worship
<b>August 20</b>	7 PM Boy Scouts Meeting
<b>August 21</b>	Noon - Men's Lunch at Mama Rosa's in Gretna
<b>August 22</b>	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 11-12:30 PM Second Helping Lunch
<b>August 26</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Nancy Dawson Preaching Pastor Ed out of Town Aug. 26-30
<b>August 27</b>	7 PM Boy Scouts Meeting September Link Deadline

## People to Contact at APC

### **Session (Active Elders)**

Ron Coleman ('19) <i>Christian Education</i>
Kelly deBernard ('19) <i>Ministry Within the Congregation</i>
Kevin deBernard ('20) <i>Christian Education</i>
Susan Gilliam ('20) <i>Ministry Beyond the Congregation</i>
Carolyn Lees ('20) <i>Worship</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('19) <i>Worship</i>
Jack Ritzer ('20) <i>Ministry Support</i>
Mark Younkin ('19) <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>

## 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
- Ted Phillips
- Ryan Hedgepeth
- Joyce Coleman
- LeeAnn Head
- Arleatha Payne
- Billy Robertson
- Travis Taylor
- Brenda Cuthbertson
- The Andrews Family, in the death of Preston.
- The Bayse Family, in the death of Mae.
- Our service members: Jeremy Larkin, Grant Martin.
- Our homebound members: Tim Coleman, Janet Soddors, Dean Smith, Essie Moore.

## Today's Prayers and Sermon Notes

## Announcements

**Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church!** We are glad that you have come to worship our saving Lord, Jesus Christ, with us today. We hope you join us as we serve God today and throughout the week.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Janette Walker for the glory of God and in loving memory of her father, James W. Abbott and her mother, Margaret A. Lilley.

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

The **Session** meets today immediately after worship 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** at Noon this Tuesday, August 21, at Mama Rosa's in Gretna.

Monday August 27, is the deadline for articles for the **September "Link" newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to the church office.

**Pastor Ed** will be out of town August 24-30, if you have a pastoral concern, please contact the church office or your cluster elder.

We are in need of **Sunday Participants** (nursery workers, ushers, & communion servers) to serve in the ministry of the church for the month of September. Please sign-up on the bulletin board.

The Ministry Beyond Committee will be collecting items for the **UVA Altavista Dialysis Facility** to increase the unit's patient engagement. A list of needed items are posted on the bulletin board. Please bring all items to APC by September 16<sup>th</sup> and place them in the bin in the hall.

**Next Sunday** we welcome to our pulpit the Reverend Nancy Dawson.

In September we will begin a new **order of worship**.

**August DAWN Donation:** spaghetti sauce & spaghetti