

Worship for the Lord's Day

September 2, 2018 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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 *Jesus, Our Divine Companion* arr. Lani Smith

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

Call to Worship

Who may abide in the presence of God?

Who may live on God's holy mountain?

All those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

All those who speak the truth from their heart.

* **Hymn** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!* Hymnal #341

Prayer of Confession

God of light, we confess that we live in the shadows of hypocrisy and self-righteousness. We honor you with our lips, but we have not served you in our hearts. We have confused meekness with weakness, holiness with social conformity, and anger with righteousness. Save us by the power of your word from the prison of our conceit so that we may serve you with sincere hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. *Thanks be to God!*

* **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.

* **Song of Praise** *Gloria Patri* Hymnal #567

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen. 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.

Offering *Westminster Abbey Hymn* Henry Purcell

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

* **Song of Thanksgiving** *Doxology* Hymnal #593

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. 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** *The Church's One Foundation* Hymnal #442

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson *Exodus 20:8-11* p.63

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

Anthem *Woke Up This Morning* African American Spiritual

Second Scripture Lesson *Matthew 11:25-30* p.845

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

Sermon *"A Christian's Labor Day"*

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** *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* **Hymnal #172**

* **Charge and Benediction**

Postlude *Love, Mercy and Grace* C. Austin Miles



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, September	Frank & Barbara Podrebarac Rob & Susan Gilliam (Sept. 2 & 16)
Lay Reader, September 9	Martha Moore
Lay Reader, September 16	Linda Janiak
Nursery September 9	Gary Taylor
Nursery September 16	Kevin deBernard
Communion Servers, Today	Ron Coleman, Betsy Soto Dennis & Linda Janiak

Upcoming Events

September 2	10 AM Worship/Communion & Children's Church
September 3	Office Closed for Labor Day
September 4	10 AM Bible Study Noon - Men's Lunch-Taste of Italy
September 5	10 AM AAMA Meeting @ APC 11-12:30 PM Second Helping Lunch 5:30 PM Ministry Within Meeting 6 PM Christian Ed Meeting
September 9	10 AM Worship/Children's Church 11:30 AM Koinonia Luncheon 5 PM Youth Group Meeting @ Church
September 10	7 PM Boy Scouts Meets in FH
September 11	10 AM Bible Study
September 12	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 10:30 AM Women's Fellowship in Adult SS Room 11-12:30 PM Second Helping Lunch 5:30 PM Property Meeting 6 PM Worship Meeting
September 16	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Session Meeting after Worship
September 17	7 PM Boy Scouts Meets in FH
September 18	10 AM Bible Study Noon - Men's Lunch-El Cazador
September 19	9:30 APC Serves Lunch @ Daily Bread 11-12:30 PM Second Helping Lunch 1 PM DAWN Board Meeting
September 23	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Youth Sub-Sunday Fundraiser after Worship
September 24	7 PM Boy Scouts Meets in FH October Link Deadline
September 25	10 AM Bible Study
September 26	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 11-12:30 PM APC Serves Second Helping Lunch
September 29	Intercept Foster Parent Session and Brunch in FH
September 30	10 AM Worship/Children's Church

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
- Arleatha Payne
- Ryan Hedgepeth
- Joyce Coleman
- LeeAnn Head
- Billy Robertson
- Travis Taylor
- Brenda Cuthbertson
- 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

The **Lay Reader** today is **Ron Coleman**.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Dennis & Linda Janiak for the glory of God and in celebration of Keegan's 15th birthday.

The **church office** will be closed this Monday, September 3, in observance of Labor Day.

Pastor Ed's Bible Study will meet this Tuesday, September 4, at 10 AM at the church. This week's Bible Study will look at Peter's sermon at Pentecost, Acts 2:14-41.

The Presbyterian Men will meet for our **Men's lunch** at Noon this Tuesday, September 4, at Taste of Italy.

The **Ministry Within Committee** will meet this Wednesday, September 5, at 5:30 PM at the church.

The **Christian Education Committee** will meet this Tuesday, September 5, at 6:00 PM at the church.

Next Sunday, September 9, we will have our **Koinonia Luncheon** immediately following worship, please bring a dish to share.

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 16th and place them in the bin in the hall.

We will be helping to serve lunch at the **Lynchburg Daily Bread** September 19, from 9:30 AM to 12:45 PM. Please sign up on the bulletin board by the church office.

Our Church will be serving the **Second Helping Lunch**, Wednesday, September 26. Volunteers are needed to serve and provide menu items. Please sign-up on the bulletin board.

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

September DAWN Donation: mac & cheese, jelly