

# Worship for the Lord's Day

November 24, 2019  
Christ the King Sunday  
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** Give Thanks arr. John Innes  
Pianist: Dot Hogan, Organist: Linda Giles

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

**Call to Worship** Psalm 33:6-17 p.481

\* **Hymn** We Plow the Fields and Scatter Hymnal #560

## Prayer of Confession

*God of Mercy, we confess that we are not obedient sons and daughters. We are idle in the work of discipleship and weary in doing what is right. We are selfish in our actions. We do not honor the traditions of the apostles, nor imitate the example of Your Son. Forgive us, we pray. Show us the way of repentance, free us from our idle ways, and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, through whom we pray. Amen.*

## Assurance of Pardon

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

\* **Passing the Peace of Christ**

May the peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

\* **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.*

\* **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.*

## A Time For Young Christians

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

## Prayer for Illumination

**Old Testament Lesson** Jeremiah 23:1-6 p.670

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

**Anthem** Anthem of Thanksgiving arr. Jay Althouse

**Offering** Thanks for the Blessings You Give John Turner

*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**

**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**                *Crown Him with Many Crowns*                **Hymnal #151**

\* **New Testament Lesson**        *Mark 4:1-20*                                **p.870**

*Please remain standing for the reading of God’s Word.*

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

**Sermon**                *“Purpose of Parables”*

\* **Hymn**                *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*                **Hymnal #155**

\* **Charge and Benediction**

\* **Postlude**                *He is King of Kings*                                **Spiritual**



## **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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*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.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- Dianne Emmett
- Ryan Hedgepeth
- Cynthia Erb
- Al Smith
- Carol Moorefield
- Cherie Maulbeck – cancer
- The family of Dick Lowe
- Margaret Liebchen
- Aline Ritzer
- Joyce Coleman
- LeeAnn Head
- Billy Robertson
- Our service members: Jeremy Larkin, Grant Martin
- Our homebound members: Tim Coleman, Janet Soddors, Dean Smith, Essie Moore.

## People to Contact at APC

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

- Kevin deBernard ('20)  
*Christian Education*
- John Erb ('21)  
*Clerk of Session*
- Susan Gilliam ('20)  
*Ministry Beyond the Congregation*
- Carolyn Lees ('20)  
*Worship*
- Barbara Podrebarac ('21)  
*Ministry Beyond the Congregation*
- Jack Ritzer ('20)  
*Ministry Support*
- Chip Roark ('21)  
*Property*
- Janette Walker ('21)  
*Ministry Within the Congregation*
- Rev. Ed Soto  
*Moderator of Session*

### **Staff**

- Rev. Ed Soto  
*Pastor*
- Carolyn Doss  
*Church Secretary*
- Dot Hogan  
*Organist*
- Dennis Janiak  
*Treasurer*
- Stephanie Moehlenkamp  
*Choir Director*

### **Other Contacts**

- Dolores Drumheller  
*Prayer Fellowship Request*
- Jack Ritzer  
*The Men of the Church*

## Schedules

### **Ushers, December**

Chip & Jenny Roark  
Jeff Janiak, Sang-il Lee

### **Lay Reader, December 1**

Jeff Janiak

### **Lay Reader, December 8**

Dana Taylor

### **Nursery, December 1**

Keegan deBernard

### **Nursery, December 8**

Kevin deBernard

### **Communion Servers Dec. 1**

Chip & Jenny Roark  
Rob & Susan Gilliam

## November Events

<b>November 1</b>	6 PM Dinner & Discussion with Paul Young
<b>November 2</b>	9 AM-2PM Paul Young Conference at the Presbytery
<b>November 3</b>	10 AM Worship/Communion/Children's Church
<b>November 5</b>	10 AM Bible Study Men's Lunch at Noon - Tuscan Grill 5 PM Ministry Within Meeting
<b>November 9</b>	Dinner for Eight
<b>November 10</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church OCC Packing Party after Worship
<b>November 11</b>	6 PM Ministry Beyond Meeting
<b>November 12</b>	10 AM Bible Study
<b>November 13</b>	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 10:30 AM Women's Fellowship Meeting 5:30 PM Property Meeting 5:30 PM CE Meeting
<b>November 17</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Session Meeting after Worship
<b>November 19</b>	8:30 AM Bingo at Dialysis Center 10 AM Bible Study Men's Lunch at Noon - Main St. Cafe 1:00 PM Bingo at Dialysis Center
<b>November 20</b>	8:30 AM Bingo at Dialysis Center 9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 9:30 AM APC Serves Lunch at Daily Bread 1:00 PM Bingo at Dialysis Center
<b>November 21</b>	9 AM Presbytery at Covenant Church, Roanoke VA
<b>November 24</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Collect Children's Thanksgiving Offering Congregational Meeting after Worship 5 PM Youth Group Meeting
<b>November 25</b>	December Link Deadline
<b>Nov. 27 &amp; 28</b>	Office Closed for Thanksgiving

## Announcements

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Carolyn Lees for the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband Bill.

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

The **Thanksgiving Offering will be collected** this morning for the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands. This offering will be matched by our ACT for Missions funds. Please make checks payable to APC and indicate on the memo line or the pew envelope as Thanksgiving Offering.

Our fall **Congregational Meeting** will be held this morning immediately after worship to present the 2020 Operating Budget, approve the Pastor's 2020 Terms of Call and to elect the 2020 Nominating Committee.

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

**Pastor Ed** will be out of town November 27-30, if you have a pastoral concern, please contact the church office or your cluster elder.

The Tuesday morning **Bible Study** will not meet this week.

The **church office** will be closed Wednesday and Thursday in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Our **Advent Workshop** for children up to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be Saturday, December 7, from 10 AM - Noon in the fellowship hall. Please sign-up your child/children or guest who will be attending on the bulletin board.

Our church will host a Christmas Party for the clients at the **Otter River Resource Center** Thursday, December 12, at 1:00 PM at the ORRC. Volunteers are needed to provide party food, please sign-up on the bulletin board. Please bring party food to the fellowship hall no later than 10 AM Thursday morning.

APC has volunteered to ring the **Salvation Army** bell at the Altavista Wal-Mart Saturday Dec. 14, from 9 AM - 7 PM. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you are interested in participating.