

# Worship for the Lord's Day

November 26, 2017 – Christ the King Sunday

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** *One Lord, One Faith, One Birth* arr. Douglas Wagner

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

**Congregational Introit** *Sanctuary* Sing the Faith #2164

## To Praise God's Name

### Call to Worship

The Lord God is our shepherd.

*We are the people of God's pasture,  
the sheep of God's hand.*

God will seek the lost, feed the hungry,  
and strengthen the weak.

*We are the people of God's pasture,  
the sheep of God's hand.*

\* **Hymn** *Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor* Hymnal #154

### Unison Prayer of Confession

*Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm. You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead. You love and feed and care for us, but we take your blessings without acknowledging you. Forgive us, merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne. 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.*

*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** *Matthew 25:41-46* p.861

**Choral Anthem** *Crown Him Lord of All!* arr. Marty Parks

**Old Testament Reading** *Ezekiel 34:11-16* p.744

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

**Sermon** "God's Prerogative"

## To Thank God

\* **Hymn** *All Hail to God's Anointed* Hymnal #205

\* **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.*



## Schedules

<b>Ushers, December</b>	Carolyn Lees, Darlene Robertson Ron Coleman, Jack Ritzer Samantha Janiak (Dec. 3 & 17)
<b>Lay Reader, Dec. 3</b>	Anne Mabry
<b>Lay Reader, Dec. 10</b>	Martha Moore
<b>Nursery, Dec. 3</b>	Charlotte Mabry
<b>Nursery, Dec. 10</b>	Darlene Robertson
<b>Communion Servers <u>Dec. 10</u></b>	Dennis & Linda Janiak Beverly Eubank, Jeffrey Janiak

## Nov. 27-Dec. 2, Daily Lectionary Reading

<b>MONDAY</b>	Morning: Pss. 57; 145 Evening: Pss. 85; 47 Ezra 7:27-28; 8:21-36 Rev. 20:7-15 Matt. 17:1-13	<b>THURSDAY</b>	Morning: Pss. 143; 147:12-20 Evening: Pss. 81; 116 Neh. 9:1-15 (16-25) Rev. 21:22-22:5 Matt. 18:1-9
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Morning: Pss. 54; 146 Evening: Pss. 28; 99 Ezra 9:1-15 Rev. 21:1-8 Matt. 17:14-21	<b>Friday</b>	Morning: Pss. 88; 148 Evening: Pss. 6; 20 Neh. 9:26-38 Rev. 22:6-13 Matt. 18:10-20
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1-11 Evening: Pss. 125; 91 Ezra 10:1-17 Rev. 21:9-21 Matt. 17:22-27	<b>SATURDAY</b>	Morning: Pss. 122; 149 Evening: Pss. 100; 63 Neh. 7:73b-8:3, 5-18 Rev. 22:14-21 Matt. 18:21-35

## People to Contact at APC

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

Gary Andrews ('18) <i>Ministry Beyond the Congregation</i>
Ron Coleman ('19) <i>Christian Education</i>
Kelly deBernard ('19) <i>Ministry Within the Congregation</i>
Anne Mabry ('18) <i>Worship</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('19) <i>Worship</i>
Chip Roark ('18) <i>Ministry Support</i>
Dana Taylor ('18) <i>Christian Education</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>

*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.
- Dean Smith's health.
- Dianne Emmett's, health.
- Ted Phillips' health.
- David Lyons, cancer.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- Elaine Button, health concerns.
- Scotty Bennett, leukemia.
- All those who have been affected by the recent fires and hurricanes.
- Jeremy Larkin, as he serves in the military as a helicopter pilot.
- Grant Martin (Dennis & Linda Janiak's son-in-law) deployed to Korea.
- Our homebound member, 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 **Lay Reader** today is **John Erb**.

There will be a **called Congregational Meeting** immediately after worship today, for the purpose of presenting the 2018 Operating Budget, approving the Pastor's 2018 Terms of Call and electing the 2018 Nominating Committee.

The **Youth Group** will meet today at 5 PM at the church.

We will have our Hanging of the Greens Service December 3<sup>rd</sup>, therefore **communion** will be served on December 10<sup>th</sup> instead of December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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

Our church will host a Christmas Party for the clients at the **Otter River Resource Center** Tuesday, December 12, at 1:00 PM in the fellowship hall. Everyone is invited!

**December DAWN Donation:** Flour & Canned Green Beans