

The Lord's Day Worship

November 12, 2023

The Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

** Please stand as you are able*

Prelude *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* arr. Martha Mier

Reading of the Law *Romans 12:9-13*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you!

***Hymns of Grace #408**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Confession of Sin *Book of Common Prayer (1552)*

Almighty and most merciful Father... We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us... Grant, O most merciful Father, for Christ's sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name.

Assurance of Pardon *Isaiah 12:1-2*

***The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

***Song of Praise** *Gloria Patri*

*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.*

Call To Offering *Hebrews 13:14-16*

Offertory *I Know Whom I Have Believed* James McGranahan

***Song of Thanksgiving** *Doxology*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication *I Kings 8:56-58*

Anthem *Shepherd of Souls* arr. Scott Atwood

Prayer of Intercession

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 and ever. Amen.*

Children's Lesson *Young children are excused to Children's Church.*

Minute for Missions

Scripture *Genesis 18:9-15* **p.13**

The Word of God for the People of God!
Thanks be to God!

Sermon *"Nothing Impossible"*

***Presbyterian Hymnal #262**

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* William S. Bennett

Sermon Notes

Servers

Today's Lay Reader	Terry Walton
November Usher	Sang-il Lee

Prayer Requests

Our session & church leaders	Donna Layne
Our nation & elected leaders	Glenn Jefferson
God's guidance at APC	Alline Ritzer
Doug Robertson	Silas Allen
Margaret Liebchen	Connie Peresada
Alice Barkdoll	William (Jo Jo) Phillips
Billy Robertson	Donna Hendricks
Linda Giles	Hugh Rountrey
Essie Moore	Kay Gagnon
Mike Smith	Emily Ragsdale
Dennis Janiak	Collin Adams

People at APC

Session Elders

Gary Andrews ('24)
Administration

Kevin deBernard ('24)
Outreach

Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('24)
Discipleship

Barbie Andrews ('25)
Outreach

Ron Coleman ('25)
Discipleship

Mark Younkin ('25)
Administration

John Erb
Clerk of Session

Staff

Rev. Ed Soto
Minister of Word & Sacrament

Carolyn Doss
Church Secretary

Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Choir Director

Linda Giles
Organist & Pianist

Gary Andrews
Co-Treasurer

Mark Younkin
Co-Treasurer

November Events

November 1 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study
12 PM Men's Lunch - Colonial
6 PM - Video Bible Study

November 2 5 PM OCC Packing Party

November 5 10 AM Worship/Communion
Collect Two Cents-A-Meal Offering

November 8 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study

November 12 10 AM Worship/Children's Church
Congregational Meeting after Worship
Session Meeting after Congregational Meeting

November 13 5 PM Administration Committee Meeting

November 14 5 PM Outreach Committee Meeting

November 15 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study
12 PM Men's Lunch - Taste of Italy

November 16 9 AM POP Mtg. at First Presbyterian Lynchburg

November 19 10 AM Worship/Children's Church
Collect Thanksgiving Offering

November 20 - 23 Church Office Closed

November 26 10 AM Worship/Children's Church

November 27 5:30 PM Discipleship Meeting
December Link Deadline

November 29 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study

Announcements

Our fall Congregational Meeting will be held this morning immediately after worship to present the 2024 Operating Budget, approve the Pastor's 2024 Terms of Call and to elect the 2024 Nominating Committee.

The Session meets today immediately after the Congregational meeting. If you have a prayer concern for which your elders could pray, please write it on the insert and place it in the offering.

The Thanksgiving Offering will be collected Sunday, November 19, for the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands. This offering will be matched by our ACT for Missions funds.

10:00 AM

Welcome to worship at ALTAVISTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Greetings!

We welcome all to this service of worship. If you are a Christian visiting with us today, we greet you in the name of our common Lord. If you are not a believer, we greet you as a friend and trust that you will sense the warmth and genuineness of our reception. We invite everyone here to participate with our congregation as we sing, pray, and give attention to God's Word.

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*Equipping the saints for ministry,
Building up the body of Christ.
Eph. 4:12*