

The Lord's Day Worship

December 31, 2023

The congregation's responses are in *bold italics*.

** Please stand as you are able*

Prelude *Joy to the World!* arr. Chris Rice

Reading of the Law *Proverbs 28:9-10*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you!

***Presbyterian Hymnal #66**

We Three Kings of Orient Are

Confession of Sin *Lewis Bayly (1575-1631)*

O Lord... The Centurion who executed You confessed You to be the very Son of God. The thief that hung with You said You had done nothing wrong. So what caused this cruel disgrace, suffering, and death? Lord, I caused Your Sorrows. My sin brought about Your shame, my failings Your injuries. I committed the fault, and You are plagued for the offense. I am guilty, and You are charged. I send, and You suffered the death. You hung on the cross. Oh Lord, let me never forget Your infinite love. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *Hebrews 2:10-11*

***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 *Joy to the World!* arr. Lowell Mason & George F. Handel

***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*

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 *Hebrews 12:25-29* **p.1052**

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

Sermon *"The Danger of Ingratitude"*

***Presbyterian Hymnal #23**

Angels We Have Heard on High

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* W. Sterndale Bennett

Sermon Notes

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Today's Lay Reader Stephanie Moehlenkamp
December Usher Sang-il Lee

Prayer Requests

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

People at APC

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January Events

January 1 Church Office Closed
January 3 12 PM Men's Lunch - Hibachi Grill
January 7 10 AM Worship/Communion
Collect Two Cents-A-Meal Offering
January 8 5 PM Administration Meeting
5:30 PM Discipleship Meeting
January 9 5 PM Outreach Meeting
January 10 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study
6 PM - Video Bible Study
January 14 10 AM Worship/Children Church
January 17 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study
12 PM Men's Lunch - Colonial
January 21 10 AM Worship/Children Church
Session Meeting after Worship
January 24 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study
January 27 5 PM Koinonia Chili Supper & Bingo
January 28 10 AM Worship/Children Church
January 29 February Link Deadline
January 27 8 AM Men's Bible Study
10 AM Bible Study

Announcements

The Church Office will be closed January 1st in observance of New Year's Day.

There will be no Bible Studies January 3rd. The Video Bible Study will meet January 10th instead of January 3rd.

10:00 AM

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

ALTAVISTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

