

# The Lord's Day Worship

February 18, 2024

The First Sunday in Lent

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

*\*Please stand as you are able*

**Prelude**     *We Are Travelers on a Journey*     Mark Hayes

**Reading of the Law**     *Matthew 5:3-10*

The Lord be with you.  
*And also with you!*

**\*Hymns of Grace #279**

*The Wonderful Cross*

**Confession of Sin**     *Heinrich Bullinger (1504-1575)*

*I, a poor sinful person, confess myself before You, my Lord God and Maker, that sadly I have sinned much, with my senses, thoughts, words, and deeds, as you, eternal God, know very well. I regret them and beg Your grace. Amen.*

**Assurance of Pardon**     *Romans 8:31-34*

**\*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**     *Westminster Confession of Faith, chapter I.6*

*The whole purpose of God about everything pertaining to His own glory and to man's salvation, faith, and life is either explicitly stated in the Bible or may be deduced as inevitably and logically following from it. Nothing is at any time to be added to the Bible, either from new revelations of the Spirit or from traditions of men. Nevertheless, we do recognize that the inward illumination of the Spirit of God is necessary for a saving understanding of the things which are revealed in the word. We also recognize that some provisions for the worship of God and the government of the church are similar to secular activities and organizations; these are to be directed according to our natural understanding and our Christian discretion and should conform to the general rules of the word, which are always to be observed.*

*This, we confess and believe, amen.*

**Call To Offering**     *II Corinthians 9:6-9*

**Offertory**     *Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning*     John Barnard

**\*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**     *II Chronicles 6:41-42*

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

**Anthem**     *The Prayer with Lead Us Lord*     arr. Tom Fettke

**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.*

**Minute for Missions**

**Scripture**     *Luke 23:34*     **p.919**

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

**Sermon**     *"Final Benedictions: The Word of Forgiveness"*

**\*Hymns of Grace #281**

*Jesus Paid it All*

**\*Charge & Benediction**

**\*Postlude**     *Were You There?*     John W. Work, Jr.

## Servers

Today's Lay Reader     Terry Walton

February Usher     Sang-il Lee

## Sermon Notes

### 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
Ezra Soto	Cynthia Coleman

### People at APC

#### **Session Elders**

Gary Andrews ('24)  
*Administration*

Kevin deBernard ('24)  
*Outreach*

Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('24)  
*Discipleship*

Barbie Andrews ('25)  
*Congregational Care*

Ron Coleman ('25)  
*Congregational Care*

Mark Younkin ('25)  
*Congregational Care*

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*

### February Events

<b>February 1</b>	4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect
<b>February 4</b>	10 AM Worship/Communion Collect Two Cents-A-Meal Offering
<b>February 6</b>	5 PM Outreach Committee Meeting
<b>February 7</b>	12 PM Men's Lunch - Taste of Italy
<b>February 8</b>	4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect
<b>February 11</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church
<b>February 12</b>	4:30 PM Administration Committee Meeting
<b>February 15</b>	4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect
<b>February 18</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church
<b>February 20</b>	4 PM Session Meeting
<b>February 21</b>	12 PM Men's Lunch - El Cazador
<b>February 22</b>	4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect
<b>February 24</b>	5:30 PM Chili Dinner/Bingo
<b>February 25</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church
<b>February 26</b>	4:30 PM Discipleship Meeting March Link Deadline
<b>February 29</b>	4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect

### Announcements

The Session meets Tuesday for its monthly stated meeting. If you have a prayer concern for which your elders could pray, we invite you to write it on the insert and place it in the offering.

The Chili Dinner/Bingo night at APC has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 24th, at 5:30 PM. Please sign-up on the board to bring chili, dessert, or cornbread. We ask that everyone bring a \$3-ish item for bingo prizes.

February 26, is the deadline to submit articles to the church office for the March newsletter.

Operation Christmas Child February Donation Items: Hair Brushes, Girl's Hair Accessories (Hair Clips, Hairbands, etc.)

The Outreach Committee is hosting a food drive to donate to the Claire Parker Family Care Cart Program. Most appreciated items are listed on the bulletin board. Please bring all items to the church by February 29th.

The Garden Club needs to collect 1,000 pounds of plastic bags and wrap for another bench. See the bulletin board for more details.

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.

### Connect with Us!

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