

The Lord's Day Worship

March 3, 2024

The Third Sunday in Lent

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

**Please stand as you are able*

Prelude *Yearning* Mark Hayes

Reading of the Law *John 15:9-12*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you!

***Hymns of Grace #275**

The Old Rugged Cross

Confession of Sin *George Matheson (1842-1906)*

*O Lord, as long as I am apart from You, I am self-satisfied,
because I have no standard by which to measure my low stature.
But when I come near to You, there for the first time I see myself.
In Your light I behold my darkness. In Your purity I behold my
corruption. Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon *Ephesians 1:4-7*

***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 *II Corinthians 9:6-9*

Offertory *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* Stuart Townend

***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*

Anthem *Is It I, Lord?* Ruth Elaine Schram

Minute for Missions

Scripture *John 19:26-27* **p.944**

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

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

Invitation and Prayer

John Knox's Liturgy (1550)

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.*

Words of Institution

I Corinthians 11:23-26

Sharing in the Bread and the Cup

Prayer after the Meal

Westminster Directory of Public Worship (1645)

*** Hymns of Grace #284**

At the Cross

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Lowell Mason

Sermon Notes

Servers

Today's Lay Reader	Gary Andrews
February 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
Ezra Soto	Collin Adams
Margaret Liebchen	William (Jo Jo) Phillips
Alice Barkdoll	Kay Gagnon
Billy Robertson	Emily Ragsdale
Essie Moore	Jo Ann Houchins
Mike Smith	

People at APC

Session Elders	Staff
Gary Andrews ('24) <i>Administration</i>	Rev. Ed Soto <i>Minister of Word & Sacrament</i>
Kevin deBernard ('24) <i>Outreach</i>	Carolyn Doss <i>Church Secretary</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('24) <i>Discipleship</i>	Stephanie Moehlenkamp <i>Choir Director</i>
Barbie Andrews ('25) <i>Congregational Care</i>	Linda Giles <i>Organist & Pianist</i>
Ron Coleman ('25) <i>Congregational Care</i>	Gary Andrews <i>Co-Treasurer</i>
Mark Younkin ('25) <i>Congregational Care</i>	Mark Younkin <i>Co-Treasurer</i>
John Erb <i>Clerk of Session</i>	

March Events

March 3 10 AM Worship/Communion
Collect Two Cents-A-Meal Offering

March 6 12 PM Men's Lunch - Main Street Café

March 7 4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect

March 10 10 AM Worship/Children's Church

March 14 4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect

March 16 7:30 AM-Noon - Church Clean-Up Day

March 17 10 AM Worship/Children's Church
Collect One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
Congregational Meeting after Worship

March 18 4:00 PM Administration Committee Meeting

March 20 12 PM Men's Lunch - Mama Rosa's
4 PM Session Meeting

March 21 4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect

March 24 10 AM Palm Sunday Cantata
Children's Church

March 25 4:30 PM Discipleship Meeting
April Link Deadline

March 28 4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect

March 31 10 AM Easter Sunday Worship
Children's Church

Announcements

The sanctuary flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in honor of Eli and Betsy's birthdays.

The Administration Committee will have a Spring Clean-up Day Saturday March 19th, beginning with breakfast and ending around Noon. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you plan to help.

Our spring stated Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, March 17, immediately after worship. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the 2026 Class of Elders and to conduct any business of the APC Corporation.

March Operation Christmas Child Donation Items: Boy's Combs, Coloring Books

The Garden Club needs to collect 500 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.

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