

Worship for the Lord's Day

April 26, 2009 – Third Sunday in Easter
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 *Largo* Arcangelo Corelli

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

Choral Introit *O Lamb of God Most Holy* arr. J. S. Bach

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship Based on Psalm 4

Answer us when we call, O God,
be gracious to us and hear our prayers.

***O sons and daughters, how long will "My" honor
become a reproach? How long will you love what is
worthless and aim at deception?***

Many are saying: Who will show us any good?
Lift up the light of Thy countenance upon us, O Lord!

***Thou hast put gladness in our hearts
more than when the grain and wine abound.***

In peace we will both lie down and sleep.

For Thou alone, O Lord, dost make me to dwell in safety.

* **Hymn** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* **Hymnal #376**

Unison Prayer of Confession

Eternal Lord, You have loved us beyond our wildest dreams. When we were unlovable, You continued to love us. When we have been hateful toward others, You have not withdrawn Your love from us. Day in and day out we have experienced the outpouring of Your love through the created order and the bounty of the earth. Even when the vicissitudes of life confront us, we have found comfort in Your ever present love. Forgive us for the opportunities we missed to love others, and for the times when our interaction with others communicated everything except love. Teach us that loving others is a choice which we make just as Christ chose to demonstrate His love on the Cross. We pray in His name. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

* **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.

Response Forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ. **Thanks be to God!**

Choral Anthem *Kyrie Eleison* D. Huntsinger

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ is with you. **And also with you.**

*As our Passing of the Peace ends, all children through fifth grade
are invited to depart for Children's Church.*

To Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Reading *1 John: 3:1-10* **p.1066**
Acts 3:12-19 **p.949**

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

Sermon *How Great The Love*

To Thank God

* **Hymn** *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love* **Hymnal #367**

* **Profession of Faith** *Apostles' Creed* **Hymnal p.14**

Prayers by and for the People · The Lord's Prayer

Offering *Seek Thou the Lord and His Strength* Diederichsen

During the offertory, you are invited to offer silent prayers of gratitude.

* **Song of Thanksgiving** *Doxology* **Hymnal #592**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

To Depart to Serve God

* **Hymn** *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go* **Hymnal #384**

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Congregational Amen** **Supplement #2280**

Postlude *Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing* Sicilian Melody

Announcements

Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church! Our church exists to proclaim the good news of God's love made known in Jesus Christ, to build a fellowship of Christian love, and to serve this community and the world in the way of compassion. If you would like information concerning membership in this church or information about the Presbyterian tradition, the pastor or a greeter would be happy to assist you.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Gary Andrews**.

This Saturday, May 2nd APC will be traveling to the **Volunteer Farm in Woodstock, VA** (South of Winchester, VA) to donate time & talents for the planting of fruits and vegetables for this year's harvest. Volunteers will meet at APC at 5AM the morning of the 2nd and return approximately at 4 PM the same day. Traveling arrangements are still being planned. **All ages are welcomed.** Please sign up on the bulletin board by the office.

The next church-wide **Committee Meeting Night** will be Tuesday, **May 5**, at 7:00 PM at the church. These will be the last committee meetings of this church year. All committee members are asked to attend. Please note: the meeting will be the first Tuesday of the month instead of the second Tuesday.

Mark you calendar for the week of **June 21-26 from 6:00-8:30 PM for VBS**. The theme this year is **Camp EDGE**. There will be classes held from preschool age to adults. Please plan to attend. This year's mission action will be DAWN.

Schedules

Ushers, May	Brian & Chandler McCrickard Kevin & Kelly deBernard
Greeters, May	David & Anne Mabry
Lay Reader, May 3	Rob Gilliam
Lay Reader, May 10	Chip Roark
Nursery, May 3	Jenny Roark
Nursery, May 10	Denise Tucker
CC Teacher, May	Louise Phillips
CC Helpers, May 3	Margaret Liebchen, Rob Gilliam
CC Helpers, May 10	Shirley Vuncannon, Sang-il Lee
Communion Servers, May 3	Mark Younkin, Ron Coleman

Daily Scripture Readings

Theme: *The True Shepherd* Psalm of the week: **80**

MONDAY	Jeremiah 23:1-8	THURSDAY	John 10:1-18
TUESDAY	Ezekiel 11:14-21	FRIDAY	I Peter 5:1-11
WEDNESDAY	Jeremiah 31:10-14	SATURDAY	Acts 20:17-38

Weekly Calendar

Sun., April 26	Sunday School Worship Children's Church & Sunday School for 4 th and 5 th Graders	9:00 AM 10:00 AM
Wed., April 29	Prayer Fellowship - Pastor's Study Second Helping Lunch	9:30 AM 11:00-12:30 PM
Sun., May 3	Sunday School Worship/Communion Children's Church & Sunday School for 4 th and 5 th Graders	9:00 AM 10:00 AM

People to Contact at APC

Joys and Concerns for Prayer 4/26/09

- Pastor Bob Button and his ministries
- The session and the staff
- The Mission Study Task Force Team
- Help to grow in the grace and knowledge of God, and to share the Good News with others this year.
- Those who are lonely and those in need
- Financial uncertainty and the unemployed
- Health (Gary Alley, Mike Barker, Dave Campe, Tim Coleman, Eula Dillon, Dianne Emmett, Tim Fenn, Steve Graham, Jim Hankins, Elizabeth Hawkins, John Hawkins, Doug Hecht, Hannah Johnson, Ralph Liebchen, Betty Sue Moehlenkamp, Darnell Moorman, Conner Niblett, Bob and Ellen Ragsdale, Charles Thomas, John Trotti, Heath Tuttle)
- Leaders in the town, county, state, country and world.
- Military and their family (Jeremy Larkin, Grant Martin, Joshua Wright)
- Our church mission projects.
- John and Beth Muehleisen in Kenya/Uganda (Their newsletters are posted on the bulletin board.)
- John Farmer with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at UNC.
- Residents in retirement homes and residential care (Thelma Blanchard, Tom Chappelle, Francis Harvey, Ruth Knight, Wilmoth McClelland, Martin Strebel, Margaret Young)

Session (Active Elders)

Ron Coleman
Ministry Beyond the Congregation

Kelly deBernard
Ministry Within the Congregation

Rob Gilliam
Ministry Support

Sang-il Lee
Prayer & Visitation

Anne Mabry
*Worship & Discipleship,
Nominating Committee*

Jennifer McCrickard
*Ministry Within the Congregation,
Visitation*

Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Worship & Discipleship

Caroline Peerman
Home Communion & Pulpit Supplies

Chip Roark
*Visitation, New Membership,
Presbyterian Men*

John Tucker
Visitation & Nominating Committee

Mark Younkin
Ministry Beyond the Congregation

Bob Button
Moderator of Session

Staff

Carolyn Doss
Church Secretary

Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Choir Director

Dot Hogan
Organist

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