

# Worship for the Lord's Day

May 3, 2009 – Fourth 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** *Break Thou the Bread of Life* arr. Winifred Winans  
*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** *Psalm 23* **Hymnal 170**

*All: verses 1& 4; Women: verse 2; Men: verse 3*

\* **Hymn** *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding* **Supplement #2103**

*The Presbyterian Two-Cents-a-Meal offering  
will be collected at the communion table during the hymn.*

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

***O God, we have listened to voices other than yours and followed in paths of our own making. We have evaded your commandments to do what pleases us. Our hearts condemn us, but we lack the will and the strength to change our ways. Have mercy on us and forgive us, we pray, that we may devote ourselves to doing what pleases you, our God. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. 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** *He Suffered for You* P. Drennan

## **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** *I John 3:16-24* **p.1066**  
*John 10:11-18* **p.933**

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

**Sermon** *Love in Action*

## To Thank God

\* **Profession of Faith** *Nicene Creed (Traditional)* **Hymnal p.15**

### **Prayers by and for the People**

**Offering** *The King of Heaven, His Table Spreads* Glyncannon

*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.



## Announcements

**Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church!** If you are a guest with us today and are searching for a church home, we encourage you to join us in the great adventure of Christian discipleship. Our mission is to proclaim God's kingdom begun in Jesus Christ, and to live lives which point to its coming fulfillment in Him. Simply speak to the pastor or a greeter if you are interested in joining us in this work.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Preston & Anne Andrews for the glory of God and in celebration of their 7<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Rob Gilliam**.

**Circle I** meets Tuesday, May 5, 10:00 AM in the parlor.

The next church-wide **Committee Meeting Night** will be this 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. This year's mission action will be DAWN.

## Schedules

<b>Ushers, May</b>	Brian & Chandler McCrickard Kevin & Kelly deBernard
<b>Greeters, May</b>	David & Anne Mabry
<b>Lay Reader, May 10</b>	Chip Roark
<b>Lay Readers, May 17</b>	Anne & Allison Mabry
<b>Nursery, May 10</b>	Denise Tucker
<b>Nursery, May 17</b>	Sue Simmons
<b>CC Teacher, May</b>	Louise Phillips
<b>CC Helpers, May 10</b>	Shirley Vuncannon, Sang-il Lee
<b>CC Helpers, May 17</b>	Mary Woodie, Christine Oliver
<b>Communion Servers, Today</b>	Mark Younkin, Ron Coleman Janet & Jerry Sodders

## Daily Scripture Readings

Theme: *Staying Close to God* Psalm of the week: **34**

MONDAY	Psalm 18:1-19	THURSDAY	James 1:19-26
TUESDAY	Matthew 7:21-28	FRIDAY	Colossians 1:15-29
WEDNESDAY	Mark 12:28-34	SATURDAY	Ephesians 3:14-21

## Weekly Calendar

<b>Sun., May 3</b>	Sunday School Worship/Communion Children's Church & Sunday School for 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Graders	<b>9:00 AM</b> <b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>Tues. May 5</b>	Circle I Committee Meeting Night	<b>10:00 AM</b> <b>7:00 PM</b>
<b>Wed., May 6</b>	Prayer Fellowship - Pastor's Study Second Helping Lunch	<b>9:30 AM</b> <b>11:00-12:30 PM</b>
<b>Sun., May 10</b>	Sunday School Worship Children's Church & Sunday School for 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Graders	<b>9:00 AM</b> <b>10:00 AM</b>

## People to Contact at APC

### Joys and Concerns for Prayer 5/3/09

- 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, Ken Younkin)
- 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*

Preston Andrews  
*Treasurer*

John Erb  
*Clerk of Session, Presbytery Delegate*

Shannon Moorman  
*Nursery Attendant*

### **Other Contacts**

Sue Ferguson  
*Link Newsletter Editor*

Sally Sease  
*Women's Circles*

Alline Rogers  
*Meal Coordinator*

Anne Mabry  
*Nursery Coordinator*

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