

# Worship for the Lord's Day

July 19, 2009

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** *I Know Where I'm Going* Traditional folk hymn

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

## To Praise God's Name

**Call to Worship** based on Psalm 89:20-37

Our souls are filled with longing, O God,  
for we are thirsty for your truth.

***Sometimes we feel so alone and forgotten;  
even in a crowd we feel abandoned.***

The good we have done seems to count for nothing,  
and the forces of evil seem to prevail.

***The standards we uphold seem to be failing,  
and we pursue high values without reward.***

Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you disquieted within me?

***Hope in God, for we shall again praise God.  
Rejoice, for Christ lives in us!***

\* **Hymn** *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* Hymnal #155

## Unison Prayer of Confession

*We confess, O God, our repeated tendency to insist on our own way. We want to make a name for ourselves no matter who is hurt by our pursuit of fame. We want you to cater to our needs and our schemes, and we're upset when you do not ease the way for us. Forgive our unwillingness to listen when your word comes to us through parents, children, friends, and humble messengers. Open our ears and help us to discern when you are speaking, and when the popular advice around us is not of your will and purpose. In Jesus' 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!***

### Passing the Peace of Christ

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

## To Hear God's Word

### Prayer for Illumination

**Old Testament Reading** *II Samuel 7:1-14* p.269

### Message for Children

**New Testament Reading** *Ephesians 2:11-22* p.1018

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

**Sermon** *Divisions, Walls and Barriers*

## To Thank God

\* **Hymn**                    *God of Our Life*                    **Hymnal #275**

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

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

**Offering**                    *A Simple Prayer*                    Edvard Grieg

*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**    *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*                    **Hymnal #408**

\* **Charge and Benediction**

\* **Congregational Amen**                    **Supplement #2241**  
(verses 1& 4)

**Postlude**                    *Postlude in G Minor*                    Franklin Ritter

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## Next Week's Sermon

“Rooted and Established in Love”

II Samuel 11:1-15, Psalm 14, Ephesians 3:14-21

As human beings we need to get our nourishment from something. Physically we get it from the food we eat. Spiritually we get our nourishment from the love of Christ. But, just how deep are our roots? Could we withstand a drought?

Could a spiritual storm blow us over as if our roots were shallow? Paul understands that the width, length, height and depth of our spirituality is related to the love which comes to us in Christ.

## **Announcements**

**Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church!** I Thessalonians 2:8 says, “We are delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well...” If you are a guest with us this morning, we are grateful for your presence among us. Please speak to the pastor or a greeter if you have any questions about our church or our community.

The **sanctuary flowers** are given for the glory of God by Jerry & Janet Sodders.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Kelly deBernard**.

The **Session** will meet today immediately after worship for its stated July meeting.

Our **Interim Pastor** will be out of the office next week serving as a counselor at the Boy Scout Camp in Powatan. If you have a pastoral concern during this time, please call the church office or your cluster elder. If you have an emergency, Bob can be reached on his cell phone at 336.402.2904.

There will be a **Congregational Meeting** immediately after worship next Sunday (July 26) for the purpose of presenting the Mission Study to the Congregation.

We will be having **Children's Church** this summer on the following dates: July 26, and August 16.

**Next Committee Meeting Night:** August 4

## **Schedules**

<b>Ushers, July</b>	Christine Oliver, Sang-iL Lee, Henry & Nancy Pittard
<b>Greeters, July</b>	Preston Andrews, Murrell Routon
<b>Lay Reader, July 26</b>	Megan Ingram
<b>Lay Readers, August 2</b>	Lynn Copes
<b>Nursery, July 26</b>	Brian McCrickard
<b>Nursery, August 2</b>	Denise & Faith Mari Tucker
<b>Communion Servers, Aug. 2</b>	Murrell. Routon, Doug Hecht, Ron Coleman, David Mabry, Dolores Drumheller, Margaret Liebchen, Stephanie Moehlenkamp & Megan Ingram

## **Daily Scripture Readings**

Theme: ***Listening and Obeying*** Psalm of the week: **62**

MONDAY	Mark 9:1-8	THURSDAY	Romans 6:15-23
TUESDAY	James 1:19-27	FRIDAY	Philippians 2:12-18
WEDNESDAY	James 4:1-10	SATURDAY	John 14:15-24

## **Weekly Calendar**

<b>Sun., July 19</b>	Adult Sunday School Worship Session Meeting immediately after worship	<b>9:00 AM</b> <b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>Wed., July 22</b>	Prayer Fellowship - Pastor's Study Second Helping Lunch	<b>9:30 AM</b> <b>11:00-12:30 PM</b>
<b>Sun., July 26</b>	Adult Sunday School Worship, Children's Church Congregational Meeting immediately after worship	<b>9:00 AM</b> <b>10:00 AM</b>

## People to Contact at APC

### Joys and Concerns for Prayer 7/19/09

- 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
- Alvin Dalton, Anne Andrew's sister's brother, cancer.
- Health (Gary Alley, Mike Barker, Tim Coleman, Dianne Emmett, Dante Erk, Tim Fenn, Steve Graham, Diane Janiak, Jim Hankins, Elizabeth Hawkins, John Hawkins, Doug Hecht, Marie Hoffman, Brenda Hunt, Hannah Johnson, Ralph Liebchen, Betty Sue Moehlenkamp, Darnell Moorman, Conner Niblett, Bob and Ellen Ragsdale, Charles Thomas, John Trotti, Heath Tuttle, Kathy Woodall)
- Leaders in the town, county, state, country and world.
- Military and their family (Robert Kinard, 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 and Julie 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)**

Barbie Andrews

*Ministry Beyond the Congregation*

Ron Coleman

*Ministry Beyond the Congregation*

Kelly deBernard

*Ministry Within the Congregation*

Bill Ferguson

*Property & The Men of the Church*

Rob Gilliam

*Ministry Support*

Sang-il Lee

*Christian Education*

David Mabry

*Property & The Men of the Church*

Jennifer McCrickard

*Ministry Within the Congregation,*

Stephanie Moehlenkamp

*Worship & Nominating*

Caroline Peerman

*Worship*

Jenny Roark

*Christian Education*

Robert E. (Bob) Button

*Moderator of Session*

### **Staff**

Rev. Robert E. (Bob) Button

*Interim Pastor*

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*

Janet Soddors

*Prayer Fellowship Request*

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