

Worship for the Lord's Day

August 23, 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 *We Shall Walk Through the Valley* arr. Jeanette Keyser

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 34:15-22

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,
and God's ears are open to their cry.

***The face of the Lord is against evildoers,
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.***

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears,
and rescues them from all their troubles.

***The Lord is near to the brokenhearted,
and saves the crushed in spirit.***

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the Lord rescues them from them all.

***God keeps all their bones;
not one of them will be broken.***

Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who
hate the righteous will be condemned

***The Lord redeems the life of God's servants;
none of those who take refuge in God will be condemned.***

Hymn *I Danced in the Morning*

Hymnal #302

Unison Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, sometimes we don't make very good choices. We are lured by the promise of riches and pleasure, of fame and fortune and we fail to consider the long term ramifications of our choices. We go for the gusto, when we should be striving for the Joy. We grab for the gold ring when we should be listening for the golden sounds of heavenly peace. There is no end to the ways that we allow ourselves to be pulled away from walking in the footsteps of Christ. We blame no one but ourselves. We choose the paths we follow and we bear the responsibility for our choices. Forgive our errant ways, Lord and draw us closer to yourself so that we will, in the future, make choices that bring you glory. 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!***

Anthem *Panis Angelicus*
Stephanie Moehlenkamp & Bill Ferguson

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 *Joshua 24:1-2, 14-18* **p.206**

Message for Children

New Testament Reading *John 6:56-69* **p.929**

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

Sermon *Making Choices*

To Thank God

* **Hymn** *Living for Jesus* **Supplement #2149**

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

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

Offering *When Morning Gilds the Skies* arr. Derry Billingsley

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** *Lord, Be Glorified* **Supplement #2150**

* **Charge and Benediction**

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

Postlude *Trumpet Tune* Anne A. Davis

Announcements

Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church! Psalm 122 says, “I rejoiced with those who said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord.’” If you are a guest among us this morning, we extend a warm greeting to you on behalf of the elders and members of this congregation. We are glad you are here to worship with us today. Please speak to a greeter or the pastor if there is any way this congregation can assist you.

The **sanctuary flowers** are given by Barbie & Gary Andrews for the glory of God and in celebration of their 21st wedding anniversary.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Vika Henderson**.

The Session has called a **Congregational Meeting** immediately after worship today for the purpose of electing a Standing Nominating Committee.

Monday is the deadline for articles for the **September “Link” newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to Sue Ferguson at billsueferguson@aol.com

Children’s Church will begin September 6, during the service.

Next Committee Meeting Night: September 1

The **Prayer Fellowship** meets each Wednesday morning at 9:30 AM in the pastor’s study and is open to all.

Schedules

Ushers, September	Georgie & Holly Roark, Allison Mabry, Faith Mari Tucker
Greeters, September	Christine Oliver, Jeannie Smith
Lay Reader, August 30	Gary Andrews
Lay Reader, September 6	Doug Hecht
Nursery, August 30	Kelly deBernard
Nursery, September 6	Billy Robertson
Communion Servers, Sept. 6	Glenn & Debbie Berger, Gary & Jane Strebel

Daily Scripture Readings

Theme: The Mystery of God’s Gifts Psalm of the week: 18:1-19

MONDAY	John 1:19-28	THURSDAY	John 6:66-71
TUESDAY	John 14:1-11	FRIDAY	John 12:20-36
WEDNESDAY	Colossians 1:15-23	SATURDAY	John 11:1-16

Weekly Calendar

Sun., August 23	Adult Sunday School Worship Congregational Meeting immediately after Church	9:00 AM 10:00 AM
Wed., August 26	Prayer Fellowship - Pastor’s Study Second Helping Lunch	9:30 AM 11:00-12:30 PM
Sun., August 30	Adult Sunday School Worship	9:00 AM 10:00 AM

People to Contact at APC

Joys and Concerns for Prayer 8/23/09

- Pastor Bob Button and his ministries
- The session and the staff
- 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
- Hospice patients and caregivers.
- Doug Hecht, surgery on August 25.
- Health (Gary Alley, Mike Barker, Mollie Cofflin, Tim Coleman, Alvin Dalton, Dianne Emmett, Dante Erk, Tim Fenn, Steve Graham, Diane Janiak, Elizabeth Hawkins, John Hawkins, Doug Hecht, Mary Bennett Humphreys, Brenda Hunt, Hannah Johnson, Ralph Liebchen, Betty Sue Moehlenkamp, Darnell Moorman, Conner Niblett, Bob and Ellen Ragsdale, Charles Thomas, John Trotti, John Tuck, 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.
- Missionaries: John and Julie Farmer with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, John and Beth Muehleisen with World Gospel Mission, and Paul and Reinhild Sydnor with the International Teams. (Their newsletters are posted on the bulletin board.)
- Residents in retirement homes and residential care (Thelma Blanchard, Joseph Eller, Francis Harvey, Marie Hoffman, 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

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Moderator of Session

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Other Contacts

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