

Worship for the Lord's Day

January 31, 2010
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 Sing the Mighty Power of God* arr. Franklin Ritter

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

Choral Introit *O Morning Star, How Fair & Bright* Nicolai/Bach

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship based on Psalm 71

In You, O Lord, I put my trust;
Let me never be put to shame!

***Deliver me in Your righteousness,
and cause me to escape;
Incline Your ear to me, and save me!***

Be my strong habitation,
to which I may resort continually.

***You have given the commandment to save me;
for You are my rock and my fortress.***

O God, You have taught me from my youth;
and to this day I declare Your wondrous works.

***Now also when I am old and gray-headed,
O God, do not forsake me,
until I declare Your strength to this generation,
Your power to everyone who is to come.***

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

Unison Prayer of Confession

In Love you created us, O God, and it was your Love that came down in the person of Christ to redeem us. We are, above all, people of love. And yet, we often project anything but a loving spirit. We look for the worst in others and we are quick to judge and condemn. When we are attacked or offended, we lash back. Our response is to find fault and to point fingers, and Love is not a part of our response. Forgive our unloving spirits and teach us over and over again that when we truly love our neighbor, even the neighbor who is radically different from us, we are fulfilling Christ's call to love. 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!**

Solo *The Prayer* Carole Sager & Davis Foster
Stephanie Moehlenkamp

Passing the Peace of Christ

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

To Hear God's Word

Message for Children

After the children's message all children through the 2nd grade are invited to depart for Children's Church.

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 1:4-10* p.647

New Testament Reading *I Corinthians 13:1-13* p.1000

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

Sermon *Love: The Essential Ingredient*

To Thank God

* **Hymn** *Though I May Speak* **Hymnal #335**

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

Offering *Eternal Love* Annette Knowles

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**

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

To Depart to Serve God

* **Hymn** *God, Bless Your Church with Strength!* **Hymnal #418**

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Congregational Amen** **Hymnal #537 vs. 2**

Postlude *Love Lifted Me* Howard E. Smith

Announcements

Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church! The members of this Faith Community welcome you to our worship this morning. Please fill out the visitor card which the usher has given you and place it in the offering plate. It is so important to us to get to know you and share the love and grace of Christ with you. Whether you are an out of town visitor or a local family looking for a church home, please be assured that your presence here this morning has not gone unnoticed. We invite you to return and worship with us often.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given for the glory of God by David & Sally Sease.

The **Lay Reader** today is **David Sease**.

The TWYG (Tween Youth Group) will host a **Help for Haiti Breakfast Benefit** at the church Saturday, February 6, from 8:00 - 10:00 AM. Volunteers are needed to help serve and to donate food items. Please sign-up on the bulletin board by the church office if you are able to help.

The **Presbyterian Men** will meet this Tues., February 2, at the Main Street Emporium in downtown Altavista at 11:45 AM.

Circle I meets this Tuesday, February 2, 10:00 AM in the parlor.

Our **February Koinonia luncheon** will be a Pre-Super Bowl (Souper Bowl) Party immediately after worship **next Sunday**. Please bring your favorite party appetizer, dessert, or any type of food to share. Don't forget that we will also be collecting canned food for DAWN.

If you are interested in serving on a committee to plan our **100th Year Anniversary Celebration** please sign up on the bulletin board by the office.

The church office has a **fax machine**, the fax number is 434.309.1289.

Next Committee Meeting Night: March 2

Schedules

Ushers, February	Garry & Dana Taylor, Les & Mary Woodie
Greeters, February	Rob & Susan Gilliam
Lay Reader, February 7	Ron Coleman
Lay Reader, February 14	Vika Henderson
Nursery, February 7	Anne & Erika Mabry
Nursery, February 14	Ron Coleman
CC Teacher, Feb.	Debbie Berger
CC Assistant, Feb. 7	Glenn Berger
Youth Group Helper, Feb. 7	John Tucker
Youth Meal Preparer Feb. 7	Mary Woodie
Communion Servers Feb. 7	John & Faith Mari' Tucker, Cynthia Erb, Megan Ingram, Gary & Barbie Andrews, Glenn & Debbie Berger

Daily Scripture Readings

Theme: *The Power of God's Word* Psalm of the week: **29**

MONDAY	John 1:1-13	THURSDAY	Matthew 9:1-8
TUESDAY	Genesis 1:1-19	FRIDAY	2 Corinthians 12:1-10
WEDNESDAY	Genesis 1:20-31	SATURDAY	I Peter 1:3-9

Weekly Calendar

Sun., Jan. 31	Adult Sunday School Worship/Children's Church Youth Group Meeting	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 5:00 PM
Wed., Feb. 3	Prayer Fellowship - Pastor's Study Second Helping Lunch Choir Practice	9:30 AM 11:00-12:30 PM 6:00 PM
Sun., Feb. 7	Adult Sunday School Communion/Worship/ Children's Church Koinonia Lunch immediately after worship Youth Group Meeting	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 5:00 PM

Joys and Concerns for Prayer 1/31/10

To add/delete an item, please contact the church office, or speak to Sang-il Lee or email him at leesangil@comcast.net by Monday.

- Pastor Bob Button, the session and the staff.
- All the Committee members and our Youth Groups
- 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.
- Gary Strebel for his Feb. 4th surgery at UVA
- The Shelton family, in the death of Herman Shelton
- Health (Gary Alley, Elizabeth Brocklenhurst, Cayla Coalson, Mollie Cofflin, Tim Coleman, Nancy Cummings, Eula Dillon, Dianne Emmett, Dante Erk, Tim Fenn, Barbara Hare, Marie Hoffman, Tim Howdyshell, Brenda Hunt, Lucy Irvine, Diane Janiak, Hannah Johnson, Dan Kauffman, Ralph Liebchen, Phil and Carol Wills McCartney, Betty Sue Moehlenkamp, Darnell Moorman, Lynn Moore, Conner Niblett, Bob and Ellen Ragsdale, Janie Roark, Aline Rogers, Charles Thomas, John Trotti, John Tuck)
- 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, Francis Harvey, Ruth Knight, Wilmoth McClelland, Roy Tucker, Margaret Young)

People to Contact at APC

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
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Caroline Peerman
Worship

Jenny Roark
Christian Education

Robert E. (Bob) Button
Moderator of Session

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Carolyn Doss
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Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Choir Director

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Other Contacts

Sue Ferguson
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Prayer Fellowship Request

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