

# Worship for the Lord's Day

April 19, 2009— Second 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** *Medley, Spirit of the Living God* Daniel Iverson  
*Open My Eyes That I May See* Clara H. Scott

*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 133

Come, children of God, to sing a new song;  
clap your hands and shout your praise.

***Jesus is our good news,  
our joy, and our salvation***

In steadfast love and faithfulness  
God has done marvelous things.

***God raised Jesus from the dead;  
Christ is alive and at work among us.***

God calls us into partnership with Christ Jesus,  
and bids us to walk in the light.

***How good and pleasant it is when  
brothers and sisters dwell in unity.***

\* **Hymn** *Come, Thou Almighty King* **Hymnal #139**

## Unison Prayer of Confession

***God of Light, you have called us into partnership, but we have chosen instead to go our own way. You have given us light and we have preferred to walk in the shadows. You call us to truth while we cling to our lies. We try to fool others and end up deceiving ourselves. Come to us in our confusion and sin to forgive us, we pray, and make us whole. 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!*

**Choral Anthem** *The Prayer* Words and Music: Carole Sager and David Foster, Arranged by Tom Fettke

We pray you'll be our eyes, and watch us where we go,  
and teach us to be wise in times when we don't know  
Let this be our prayer when we lose our way.  
Lead us to a place, guide us with Your grace to a place where we'll be safe.  
We pray we'll find Your light, and hold it in our hearts,  
As darkness falls each night reminds us where You are.  
Let this be our prayer, when shadows fill our day.  
Lead us to a place, guide us with Your grace give us faith so we'll be safe.  
Lead us Lord, lead us in Your righteousness;  
make Your way plain for us to see.  
Let this be our prayer, just like every child needs to find a place,  
guide us with Your grace, Give us faith so we'll be safe, Lead us to a place  
guide us with Your grace, to a place where we'll be safe. Lead us Lord.

## 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.*



## 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** this morning are given by Darrell & Annie Shelton for the glory of God and in loving memory of Daniel Saskowski.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Debbie Berger**.

The **Pianist** today is **Mark Eades**.

The **Session** meets today immediately after worship for its monthly stated meeting here at the church. If you have a prayer concern for which your elders could pray, we invite you to write it on the insert and place it in the offering.

**Pancakes** will be prepared, served, and cleaned up by APC’s youth this Saturday here at the church from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. This is a **special fundraiser** to help our youth attend a church summer camp.

Thursday (April 23<sup>rd</sup>) is the deadline for articles for the **May “Link” newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to Sue Ferguson at billsueferguson@aol.com

Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. All committee members are asked to attend. Please note: the meeting will be the first Tuesday of the month instead of the second Tuesday.

## Schedules

<b>Ushers, April</b>	Sue Ferguson, Mark Younkin, Gary & Jane Strebel
<b>Greeters, April</b>	Henry Pittard, Murrell Routon
<b>Lay Reader, April 26</b>	Rob Gilliam
<b>Lay Reader, May 3</b>	Gary Andrews
<b>Nursery, April 26</b>	Georgie Roark
<b>Nursery, May 3</b>	Jenny Roark
<b>CC Teacher, April</b>	Anne Mabry
<b>CC Helpers, April 26</b>	Chip Roark, Kelly deBernard
<b>CC Helpers, May 3</b>	Margaret Liebchen, Rob Gilliam
<b>Communion Servers, May 3</b>	Mark Younkin, Ron Coleman

## Scripture Readings

Theme: *Companionship with the Living Lord* Psalm of the week: **121**

MONDAY	Ezekiel 36:22-36	THURSDAY	Philippians 4:1-9
TUESDAY	Genesis 17:1-8	FRIDAY	Colossians 2:6-15
WEDNESDAY	Genesis 39:19-23	SATURDAY	Acts 4:23-37

## Weekly Calendar

<b>Sun., April 19</b>	Sunday School Worship Children’s Church & Sunday School for 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Graders Session Meeting immediately after worship	<b>9:00 AM</b> <b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>Wed., April 22</b>	Prayer Fellowship - Pastor’s Study Second Helping Lunch	<b>9:30 AM</b> <b>11:00-12:30 PM</b>
<b>Sun., April 26</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>

## Joys and Concerns for Prayer 4/19/09

- Pastor Bob Button and his ministries
- The session and the staff
- The Mission Study Task Force Team
- Praise: Newly-elected Elders: Barbie Andrews, Bill Ferguson, David Mabry, and Jenny Roark.
- Praise: New Members: Brian Bernard, Shirley Jefferson, Billy and Darlene Robertson.
- 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)

## People to Contact at APC

### **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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