Worship for the Lord's Day

June 18, 2017 – 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time 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 There Shall Be Showers of Blessings arr. Allison Gilliam

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

Congregational Change My Heart, O God Sing the Faith Introit #2152

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship

Jesus Christ summons us to answer God's call of mercy.

Christ gathers us and gives us power to be healed and to heal,

To be forgiven and to forgive, to tell one another and the world:

God's presence is at hand. Let us worship God.

Hymn O Word of God Incarnate

Hymnal #327

Unison Prayer of Confession

Triune God, Holy Three, Holy One, we confess that we do not know how to look for you. We do not show the hospitality to strangers that Abraham showed to you. We do not trust that our hardships can be transformed by your Spirit. Help us to laugh with joy because your grace has made peace among us. Send us out with this good news so that others will also receive your blessing; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Choral Kyrie *Lord, Have Mercy, Christ, Have Mercy*

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response Forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ. *Thanks be to God!*

* 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.

* Passing the Peace of Christ

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

All children 6 and younger are invited to Children's Church in the nursery.

To Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Genesis 18:9-15 p.13

Choral Anthem Woke Up This Morning African American Spiritual

Scripture Reading Genesis 21:1-7 p.15

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

Sermon "Laughter"

To Thank God

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

* **Profession of Faith** Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering Jesus, Lover of My Soul arr. Rhonda Edge

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

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

To Depart to Serve God

* **Hymn** Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing **Hymnal** #538

* Charge and Benediction

* Congregational Change My Heart, O God Sing the Faith Amen #2152

Postlude We're Marching to Zion arr. Hugh Livingston



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A congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in the Presbytery of the Peaks



Our Mission

As members of the Body of Christ is to be His voice and hands helping all people.

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Schedules

Ushers, June Gary & Barbie Andrews

Alex & Beverly Eubank

Lay Reader, June 25 Cynthia Erb

Nursery, June 25 Darlene Robertson

June 19-24, Daily Lectionary Reading

Monday	Morning: Pss. 5; 145 Evening: Pss. 82; 29 1 Sam. 1:1–20 Acts 1:1– 14 Luke 20:9–19	THURSDAY	Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20 Evening: Pss. 16; 62 1 Sam. 2:27–36 Acts 2:22–36 Luke 20:41–21:4
TUESDAY	Morning: Pss. 42; 146 Evening: Pss. 102; 133 1 Sam. 1:21–2:11 Acts 1:15–26 Luke 20:19–26	FRIDAY	Morning: Pss. 51; 148 Evening: Pss. 142; 65 1 Sam. 3:1- 21 Acts 2:37-47 Luke 21:5-19
WEDNESDAY	Morning: Pss. 89:1–18; 147:1–11 Evening: Pss. 1; 33 1 Sam. 2:12–26 Acts 2:1–21 Luke 20:27–40	Saturday	Morning: Pss. 104; 149 Evening: Pss. 138; 98 1 Sam. 4:1b- 11 Acts 4:32-5:11 Luke 21:20-28

People to Contact at APC

Session (Active Elders)

Gary Andrews ('18)

Ministry Beyond the Congregation

Ron Coleman ('19) Christian Education

Kelly deBernard ('19) Ministry Within the Congregation

> Anne Mabry ('18) Worship

Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('19) Worship

> Chip Roark ('18) Ministry Support

Dana Taylor ('18) Christian Education

Mark Younkin ('19) Property

Rev. Ed Soto Moderator of Session

Staff

Rev. Ed Soto Pastor

Carolyn Doss Church Secretary

John Erb Clerk of Session

Dot Hogan Organist

Dennis Janiak Treasurer

Stephanie Moehlenkamp Choir Director

Other Contacts

Dolores Drumheller Prayer Fellowship Request

Jack Ritzer
The Men of the Church

Altavista Presbyterian Church strives to show compassion to all people within our Congregation and beyond our doors just as Jesus showed compassion to all those in need.

Joys and Concerns for Prayer

Please contact the church office if you have prayer concerns.

Prayers For....

- for His guidance.
- Our Session & Church Leaders.
- Pastor Ed and his wife Betsy.
- Dean Smith's health.
- Ted Phillips' health.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- The Reif family in the death of Tom Reif (Betsy Soto's father).
- Elaine Button, health concerns.

- God's church here at APC and Jeremy Larkin, as he serves in the military as a helicopter pilot.
 - Tucker Martin (Dennis & Linda Janiak's grandson) to continue to heal from surgery.
 - Nancy Pittard, cancer.
 - Linda Riley (Mark Younkin's mother) health concerns.
 - David Lyons, cancer.
 - Our homebound members, Joe Mason, Janet & Jerry Sodders, Tim Coleman.
 - Our nation and all our elected leaders.

Today's Prayers and Sermon Notes

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 one of our ushers or the pastor if there is any way this congregation can assist you.

Time & Talent forms are due back to the church office today. Extra forms are available in the church office.

The Lay Reader today is Barbie Andrews.

The Presbyterian Men will meet for our Men's lunch this Tuesday, June 20, at Noon at El Cazador.

Mark your calendar for Camp Peaks Day Camp July 17-21, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM at the Janiak's farm. The cost is \$35 for ages 5-12. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board. If you have questions, please contact Dana Taylor.

Monday, July 26, is the deadline for articles for the July "Link" **newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to the church office.

Volunteers are needed to work on-site with "Gus the Bus Plus" Ministry Wednesday, July 26. The ministry is in need of new or gently used children's books, tooth brushes and tooth paste. Donated item may be placed in the bin in the hall. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you are interested in helping in any way.

The 2017 Mission Trip is scheduled for August 20-26, in Hampden, West VA. Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the hall by **today** if you would like to participate.

The Choir will be taking a break for the summer months. If you have an interest in filling the gap with your own musical talent please sign up on the bulletin board.

June DAWN Donation: Spaghetti Sauce and Noodles