

Congregational
Introit

The Summons
(v. 1)

Sing the Faith
#2130

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship

The God of our ancestors calls us to worship.

Praise the Lord!

Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Let us worship God!

* **Hymn** *Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather* Hymnal #465

*The Presbyterian Two-Cents-a-Meal offering
will be collected at the communion table during the hymn.*

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, we confess that, like the disciples, we set our minds not on divine things but on human things. Doubting your loving care, we grab for more than we need. Doubting your loving purposes, we shrink from living as your followers. Doubting your loving plan, we become stumbling blocks in your created order. Forgive us that we may gain new life in you, for it is in Jesus' blessed name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

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

First Scripture Lesson *Exodus 3:1-8* p.47

Anthem

Second Scripture Lesson *Exodus 3:9-15* p.47

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

Sermon "God's Promise"

To Thank God

* **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 *Open My Eyes That I May See* Clara Scott

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

To See God's Word in Sacrament

* **Hymn** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* Hymnal #446

Invitation to the Lord's Table The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest...

...With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service. According to Christ's commandment:

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory...

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.

Words of Institution

Sharing in the Bread and the Cup
Prayer after the Meal

To Depart to Serve God

- * **Hymn** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* Hymnal #446
- * **Charge and Benediction**
- * **Congregational Amen** *Lord, Make Us More Holy* (v. 1) Hymnal #536
- Postlude** *God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again* arr. Williams

Altavista Presbyterian Church

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



Worship for the Lord's Day

September 3, 2017 – 22nd 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 *Come, My Soul Thou Must Be Waking* Franz Haydn
In order to prepare for worship, you are invited to pray silently during the prelude.

Schedules

Ushers, September	Alex Eubank, Garry Taylor Gary & Barbie Andrews
Lay Reader, Sept. 10	Barbie Andrews
Lay Reader, Sept. 17	Beverly Eubank
Nursery, Sept. 10	Darlene Robertson
Nursery, Sept. 17	Anne Mabry
Communion Servers, Today	Kelly deBernard, Sally Sease Stephanie Moehlenkamp Alex Eubank

September 4-9, Daily Lectionary Reading

MONDAY	Morning: Pss. 62; 145 Evening: Pss. 73; 9 2 Chron. 6:32-7:7 James 2:1-13 Mark 14:53-65	THURSDAY	Morning: Pss. 116; 147:12-20 Evening: Pss. 26; 130 1 Kings 11:1-13 James 3:13-4:12 Mark 15:12-21
TUESDAY	Morning: Pss. 12; 146 Evening: Pss. 36; 7 1 Kings 8:65-9:9 James 2:14-26 Mark 14:66-72	Friday	Morning: Pss. 84; 148 Evening: Pss. 25; 40 1 Kings 11:26-43 James 4:13-5:6 Mark 15:22-32
WEDNESDAY	Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1-11 Evening: Pss. 132; 134 1 Kings 9:24-10:13 James 3:1-12 Mark 15:1-11	SATURDAY	Morning: Pss. 63; 149 Evening: Pss. 125; 90 1 Kings 12:1-20 James 5:7-20 Mark 15:33-39

September DAWN Donation: Peanut Butter and Jelly

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

Chip Roark ('18)
Ministry Support

Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('19)
Worship

Dana Taylor ('18)
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Mark Younkin ('19)
Property

Rev. Ed Soto
Moderator of Session

Staff

Rev. Ed Soto
Pastor

Carolyn Doss
Church Secretary

John Erb
Clerk of Session

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Organist

Dennis Janiak
Treasurer

Stephanie Moehlenkamp
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Other Contacts

Dolores Drumheller
Prayer Fellowship Request

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Our Mission

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



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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....

- God's church here at APC and for His guidance.
- Our Session & Church Leaders.
- Dean Smith's health.
- Dianne Emmett's, health.
- Ted Phillips' health.
- David Lyon, cancer.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- Elaine Button, health concerns.
- Scotty Bennett, leukemia.
- The Pittard family, in the death of Nancy Pittard.
- The Leggett family, in the death of Walter Leggett.
- The Mason family, in the death of Joe Mason.
- All those who have been affected by Hurricane Harvey.
- Jeremy Larkin, as he serves in the military as a helicopter pilot.
- Grant Martin (Dennis & Linda Janiak's son-in-law) deployed to Korea.
- Our homebound members, Janet & Jerry Soddors, Tim Coleman.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.

Today's Prayers and Sermon Notes

Announcements

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Dennis & Linda Janiak for the glory of God and in celebration of Keegan's 14th birthday.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Mark Younkin**.

The **church office** will be closed this Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day.

The Presbyterian Men will meet for our **Men's lunch** at Noon this Tuesday, September 5, at Taste of Italy.

The **Ministry Beyond Committee** will collect a special offering this Sunday and next Sunday designated for Hurricane Harvey Relief through PDA. This offering will be matched by our ACT for Missions trust. Please make checks payable to APC and indicate in the memo line that it's for the PDA.

Pastor Ed's Bible Study will begin Tuesday, September 5, at 6:30 PM at the church, this meeting will be B.Y.O.D. Bring Your Own Dinner. The other bible study time will begin Thursday, September 7, at 10 AM at the church.

The **Ministry Within Committee** will meet this Wednesday, September 6, at 6 PM at the church.

The **Worship Committee** will meet this Thursday, September 7, at 6 PM at the church.

Next Sunday, September 10, we will have our **Koinonia Luncheon** immediately following worship to honor the Seases and Woodies for their many years of service at APC, please bring a dish to share.

We will be helping to serve lunch at the **Lynchburg Daily Bread** located at 721 Clay Street Wednesday, September 20, from 9:30 AM to 12:45 PM. If you are interested, please sign up on the bulletin board by the church office.

Our Church will be serving the **Second Helping Lunch**, Wednesday, September 20. Volunteers are needed to serve and provide menu items. Please sign-up on the bulletin board.