

# Worship for the Lord's Day

October 20, 2019  
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:00 AM

*An asterisk \* indicates standing, as you are able.  
The congregation's responses are in bold italics.*

**Welcome** The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

**Announcements** Please see the bulletin insert for all announcements.

**Prelude** *Wonderful Words of Life* arr. Alvin Whitworth

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

**Call to Worship** Psalm 119:97-104 p.534

\* **Hymn** *God of Grace and God of Glory* Hymnal #420

## Prayer of Confession

*Merciful God, we confess that the world suffers because of sin. We use power against others for our own benefit. We disobey Your commands for our own pleasure. Forgive us for making enemies and exiles of those You call us to love and serve. Forgive us for denying Your rightful place at the center of our hearts. Our hope is in You alone. Amen.*

## Assurance of Pardon

We receive the treasure of faith entrusted to us.

*Thanks be to God!*

\* **Passing the Peace of Christ**

May the peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you.*

\* **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.*

\* **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.*

## A Time For Young Christians

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

## Prayer for Illumination

**Old Testament Lesson** *Psalm 119:105-112* p.534

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

**Anthem** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* William Runyan  
Linda Giles, Organist & Dot Hogan, Pianist

**Offering** *Something for Thee* Robert Lowry  
*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**

## Responsive Pastoral Prayer

Minister: Great is your faithfulness.

*People: O God, we hope in you.*

## 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.*

\* **Hymn**      *Break Thou the Bread of Life*      **Hymnal #329**

\* **New Testament Lesson**      2 Timothy 3:14-17      p.1039

*Please remain standing for the reading of God's Word.*

The word of God for the People of God. *Thanks be to God!*

**Sermon**      "There's Something about the Bible"      Rev. John Scholer

\* **Hymn**      *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!*      **Hymnal #341**

\* **Charge and Benediction**

\* **Postlude**      *O Happy Day*      arr. Harold deCou



## Altavista Presbyterian Church

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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*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.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- Dianne Emmett
- Ryan Hedgepeth
- Cynthia Erb
- Al Smith
- Carol Moorefield
- Cherie Maulbeck – cancer
- Teresa Dalton, rocky mountain spotted fever
- Family & Friends of Michelle Hodges
- Margaret Liebchen
- Alline Ritzer
- Joyce Coleman
- LeeAnn Head
- Billy Robertson
- Our service members: Jeremy Larkin, Grant Martin
- Our homebound members: Tim Coleman, Janet Soddors, Dean Smith, Essie Moore.

## **People to Contact at APC**

### **Session (Active Elders)**

Kevin deBernard ('20)  
*Christian Education*

John Erb ('21)  
*Clerk of Session*

Susan Gilliam ('20)  
*Ministry Beyond the Congregation*

Carolyn Lees ('20)  
*Worship*

Barbara Podrebarac ('21)  
*Ministry Beyond the Congregation*

Jack Ritzer ('20)  
*Ministry Support*

Chip Roark ('21)  
*Property*

Janette Walker ('21)  
*Ministry Within the Congregation*

Rev. Ed Soto  
*Moderator of Session*

### **Staff**

Rev. Ed Soto  
*Pastor*

Carolyn Doss  
*Church Secretary*

Dot Hogan  
*Organist*

Dennis Janiak  
*Treasurer*

Stephanie Moehlenkamp  
*Choir Director*

### **Other Contacts**

Dolores Drumheller  
*Prayer Fellowship Request*

Jack Ritzer  
*The Men of the Church*

## **Schedules**

**Ushers, October**

**Lay Reader, October 27**

**Lay Reader, November 3**

**Nursery, October 27**

**Nursery, November 3**

Sang-il Lee, Jean Murphy

Jerry & Martha Moore

Stephanie Moehlenkamp

Ron Coleman

Keegan deBernard

Mark Moehlenkamp

## October Events

<b>October 1</b>	10 AM Bible Study Men's Lunch at Noon – Hibachi Grill
<b>October 2</b>	10:30 AM Women's Fellowship Meeting
<b>October 6</b>	10 AM Worship/Communion/Children's Church Collect Special Offering for Children's Christmas Gifts
<b>October 7-19</b>	Pastor Ed Out of Town
<b>Oct. 11 &amp; 12</b>	10 AM-5 PM Choir's Fundraiser at Altavista Fall Festival
<b>October 8</b>	5:30 PM CE Meeting
<b>October 9</b>	11-12:30 PM APC Serves Second Helping Lunch
<b>October 13</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Mr. Skip Wodke Preaching
<b>October 14</b>	6 PM Ministry Beyond Meeting
<b>October 15</b>	8:30 AM Bingo at Dialysis Center Men's Lunch at Noon – Applebee's 1:00 PM Bingo at Dialysis Center
<b>October 16</b>	8:30 AM Bingo at Dialysis Center 9:30 AM-APC serves lunch at the Daily Bread 1:00 PM Bingo at Dialysis Center 5:30 PM Property Meeting
<b>October 20</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church Rev. John Scholer Preaching Session Meeting after Worship 5 PM Youth Group Meeting
<b>October 22</b>	10 AM Bible Study
<b>October 23</b>	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship November Link Deadline
<b>October 25</b>	5-8 PM Choir's NYC Trip Fundraiser – Dinner/Silent Auction in the Fellowship Hall
<b>October 27</b>	10 AM Worship/Children's Church 5 PM Youth Group Meeting
<b>October 29</b>	10 AM Bible Study
<b>October 30</b>	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship

## Announcements

We welcome back to our pulpit this morning, **Rev. John Scholer**. He is a graduate of Davidson College and Union Seminary, in Richmond. Rev. Scholer was the pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg from 2002 – 2014. He is now retired after serving churches in West Virginia, South Carolina and Virginia. He and his wife Ashley, have two grown children and one granddaughter.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given for the glory of God by Jeannette Walker.

The **Lay Reader** today is **Martha Moore**.

The **Youth Group** will meet this afternoon at 5 PM at the church.

Tuesday morning **Bible Study** will meet October 22, at 10 AM in the adult classroom. Pastor Ed will lead a video series on "The Attributes of God," presented by Dr. Steven Lawson. This week's lesson is on the Immutability of God, Ps. 102:25-28; Is. 14:26-27.

The **Prayer Fellowship** will meet this Wednesday at 9:30 AM in the pastor's study.

This Wednesday, is the deadline for the **November "Link" newsletter articles**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to the church office.

The choir will have a **dinner and silent auction** fundraiser in the fellowship hall this Friday October 25, from 5-8 PM.

**Volunteers are needed** to help with the Paul Young Conference Saturday, November 2, at the Presbytery of the Peaks, 108 Melinda Drive, Lynchburg, VA. Volunteers will need to arrive at the conference at 8:15 AM. Please sign-up on the bulletin board.

**Dinner for Eight** will be Saturday November 9, please sign-up on the bulletin board no later than November 3.

We have an opportunity to go to Charlotte to volunteer at the **Operation Christmas Child** Processing Center Monday, November 25, from 1-5 PM. Please sign-up on the bulletin board by Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.

**October DAWN Donation:** Peanut Butter & Jelly