

Worship for the Lord's Day

March 19, 2017 – 3rd Sunday in Lent
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 *Behold What Love* Alex Hegenbart

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

Congregational Introit *All Glory Be to God on High (v. 1)* Hymnal #133

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship

O come, let us worship and bow down;
Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.
The hour is coming and is now here.
In spirit and truth, let us worship God.

* **Hymn** *The Glory of These Forty Days* Hymnal #87

Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done or left undone. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Through repentance, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Choral Kyrie *Lord Have Mercy Upon Us*

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.

Choral Anthem *Lamb of God* Beethoven/
(Redeemer of the World) arr. Angerman & Barrett

All children through the 5th grade are invited to depart for Children's Church.

To Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading *Matthew 5:43-48* p.839

Second Scripture Reading *Matthew 7:1-6* p.840

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

Sermon *"The Way of the Cross: Honesty"*

To Thank God

* **Hymn** *Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive* Hymnal #347

* **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 *Be Still, My Soul* Jean Sibelius

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** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* Hymnal #263

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Congregational Amen** *All Glory Be to God (v. 3)* Hymnal #133

Postlude *Revive Us Again* Wm. McKay



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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Schedules

Ushers, March	Sang-il Lee Mary Woodie Alex & Beverly Eubank
Lay Reader, March 26	Barbie Andrews
Lay Reader, April 2	Cynthia Erb
Nursery, March 26	Alice Barkdoll, Cynthia Erb
Nursery, April 2	Anne & Charlotte Mabry
CC Teachers, March	Cynthia Erb
CC Assistant, March 26	Alline Ritzer
CC Assistant, April 2	Jean Murphy

March 20-25, Daily Lectionary Reading

MONDAY	Morning: Pss. 119:73-80; 145 Evening: Pss. 121; 6 Jer. 7:1-15 Rom. 4:1-12 John 7:14-36	THURSDAY	Morning: Pss. 27; 147:12-20 Evening: Pss. 126; 102 Jer. 10:11-24 Rom. 5:12-21 John 8:21-32
TUESDAY	Morning: Pss. 34; 146 Evening: Pss. 25; 91 Jer. 7:21-34 Rom. 4:13-25 John 7:37-52	FRIDAY	Morning: Pss. 22; 148 Evening: Pss. 105; 130 Jer. 11:1-8, 14-17 Rom. 6:1-11 John 8:33-47
WEDNESDAY	Morning: Pss. 5; 147:1-11 Evening: Pss. 27; 51 Jer. 8:4-7, 18-9:6 Rom. 5:1-11 John 8:12-20	SATURDAY	Morning: Pss. 43; 149 Evening: Pss. 31; 143 Jer. 13:1-11 Rom. 6:12-23 John 8:47-59

People to Contact at APC

Session (Active Elders)

Gary Andrews ('18) <i>Ministry Beyond the Congregation</i>
Beverly Eubank ('17) <i>Property</i>
Linda Janiak ('17) <i>Ministry Within the Congregation</i>
Anne Mabry ('18) <i>Worship</i>
Martha Moore ('17) <i>Christian Education</i>
Chip Roark ('18) <i>Ministry Support</i>
Dana Taylor ('18) <i>Christian Education</i>
Mark Younkin ('17) <i>Property</i>
Rev. Ed Soto <i>Moderator of Session</i>

Staff

Rev. Ed Soto <i>Pastor</i>
Carolyn Doss <i>Church Secretary</i>
John Erb <i>Clerk of Session</i>
Dot Hogan <i>Organist</i>
Dennis Janiak <i>Treasurer</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp <i>Choir Director</i>

Other Contacts

Dolores Drumheller <i>Prayer Fellowship Request</i>
Jack Ritzer <i>The Men of the Church</i>
Jane Strebel <i>Women's Fellowship Study Leader</i>

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.
- Ted Phillips' health.
- Our new Pastor and his Wife.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- David Etheridge, pastor at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, as he has aggressive treatment for a rare stomach cancer.
- Benny Sease, (David Sease's brother) health issues.
- Jeff Binder's brother, health issues.
- Nancy Pittard, cancer.
- Julie Dalton Dollyhite (LeeAnn Sease Robinson's friend) as she recovers from surgery.
- Linda & Craig Reilly (Mark Younkin's mother & stepfather) health concerns.
- David Lyons, cancer.
- Our homebound members, Joe Mason, Janet & Jerry Soddors, Tim Coleman.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.

Today's Prayers and Sermon Notes

Announcements

Welcome to Altavista Presbyterian Church! We are glad that you have come to worship our saving Lord, Jesus Christ, with us today. We hope you join us as we serve God today and throughout the week.

The **sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Dolores Drumheller for the glory of God and in loving memory of Harold.

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

The **Session** meets today immediately after worship for its monthly stated meeting. 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.

The Presbyterian Men will meet for our **Men's lunch** this Tuesday, March 21, at 12 Noon at El Cazador.

Again this year we will be hosting the weekly **Lenten Lunches**, sponsored by the AAMA each Wed. at 12:10 PM during Lent.

Our **church secretary**, Carolyn Doss, will be on vacation March 20-24. If you have a pastoral concern, please contact Pastor Ed at 434.219.5648 or your cluster elder.

Our spring stated **Congregational Meeting** will be held Sunday, March 26, immediately after worship. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the 2019 class of elders and to conduct any business of the APC Corporation.

March 27, is the deadline for articles for the **April "Link" newsletter**. Items for the Link may be e-mailed to the church office.

A **reception** will be held in memory of Bob Steele April 9, immediately after worship in the fellowship hall.

Everyone is invited to our **Easter Koinonia Breakfast** Sunday, April 16th at **9:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Your extended family and guests are welcome to join us for our meal!

March DAWN Donation: Canned Green Beans and Corn