

# Worship for the Lord's Day

March 25, 2018 – Palm Sunday  
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** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* arr. Edward Broughton

*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 118

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

***God's steadfast love endures forever!***

Let the Church say:

***God's steadfast love endures forever!***

The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,

***The right hand of the Lord exalts!***

Come, let us worship God!

\* **Hymn** *Ride On! Ride On In Majesty!* Hymnal #91

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

*Holy God, we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors, yet we would like to deny it. We are horrified by the disobedience we commit. Open the gates of your forgiveness and restore us in your love, for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## **Silent Prayers of Confession**

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

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Response** *Forgiveness is ours through 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.*

**Welcome of New Members**

\* **Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

## To Hear God's Word

**Choral Cantata** *I Am the Lord of the Dance!* arr. Joel Raney

## To Thank God

**Offering** *O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done* arr. R. Powell

*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**      *What Wondrous Love Is This*      **Hymnal #85**

\* **Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude**      *All Glory, Laud and Honor*      Melchior Teschner

## Schedules

<b>Ushers, April</b>	Gary & Barbie Andrews Alex & Beverly Eubank
<b>Lay Reader, April 1</b>	Keegan deBernard
<b>Lay Reader, April 8</b>	Gary Andrews
<b>Nursery, April</b>	Darlene Robertson
<b>Communion Servers April 1</b>	Gary & Barbie Andrews Alex & Beverly Eubank

## March Events

<b>March 6</b>	Noon – Men’s Lunch at Taste of Italy 6:30 PM Bible Study
<b>March 7</b>	12:10 PM Lenten Service/Lunch (Rev. Ben Horrocks) 5:30 PM Property Meeting
<b>March 8</b>	10 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM COM Meeting in FH
<b>March 10</b>	7 PM Churchwide Movie Night in FH
<b>March 11</b>	10 AM Worship/Children’s Church 5 PM Youth Group Meeting
<b>March 12</b>	7 PM Boy Scouts Meeting
<b>March 13</b>	10:30 AM Women’s Fellowship Meeting 5 PM Worship Meeting 6 PM Christian Ed. Meeting
<b>March 14</b>	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 12:10 PM Lenten Service/Lunch (Rev. Wyatt Miles)
<b>March 18</b>	10 AM Worship/Children’s Church/Congregational Mtg. 6 PM Koinonia Dinner/Panel Discussion
<b>March 19</b>	7 PM Boy Scouts Meeting
<b>March 20</b>	Noon – Men’s Lunch at El Cazador 6:30 PM Bible Study
<b>March 21</b>	9:30 APC Serves Lunch at Lynchburg Daily Bread 12:10 Lenten Service/Lunch (Rev. Sam Knaus) 1 PM DAWN Board Meeting
<b>March 22</b>	10 AM Bible Study
<b>March 24</b>	8 AM Habitat for Humanity Pancake Breakfast in FH
<b>March 25</b>	10 AM Choral Cantata/Receive OGHS Offering 1 PM Session Meeting 5 PM Youth Group Meeting
<b>March 26</b>	7 PM Boy Scouts Meeting April Link Deadline
<b>March 28</b>	9:30 AM Prayer Fellowship 12:10 PM Lenten Service/Lunch (Rev. Dawn Compton)
<b>March 29</b>	7 PM Maundy Thursday Service

## People to Contact at APC

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

Gary Andrews ('18) <i>Ministry Beyond the Congregation</i>
Ron Coleman ('19) <i>Christian Education</i>
Kelly deBernard ('19) <i>Ministry Within the Congregation</i>
Anne Mabry ('18) <i>Worship</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('19) <i>Worship</i>
Chip Roark ('18) <i>Ministry Support</i>
Dana Taylor ('18) <i>Christian Education</i>
Mark Younkin ('19) <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>

*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.
- Dianne Emmett's health.
- Ted Phillips' health.
- Hospice patients and their caregivers.
- Ryan Hedgpeth, continued recovery from a severe accident.
- Joyce Coleman.
- Ronald Vuncannon.
- Jean Murphy.
- Les & Mary Woodie.
- LeeAnn Head.
- John Erb.
- 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: Tim Coleman, Janet Soddors, Dean Smith, Essie Moore.
- Our nation and all our elected leaders.

## Today's Prayers and Sermon Notes

## Announcements

The **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** will be received this morning and 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 OGHS.

The **Session** meets today at 1 PM 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 **Youth Group** will meet today at 5 PM at the church.

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

APC will be hosting the weekly **Lenten Services**, sponsored by the Altavista Area Ministerial Association each Wednesday at 12:10 PM. Rev Dawn Compton of Mt. Herman United Methodist Church will be the speaker this Wednesday.

We will have a **Maundy Thursday Service** this Thursday at 7:00 PM. and a special offering will be collected for The Claire Parker Foundation. Please make checks payable to APC and indicate in the memo line that it's for The Claire Parker Foundation.

Everyone is invited to our **Easter Koinonia Luncheon** next Sunday immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Your extended family and guests are welcome to join us for our meal!

We will not have **Children's Church** next Sunday so our children can join their families for Easter Sunday Worship.

The 2018 **Mission Trip** is scheduled for June 17-23, in Colcord, West VA. Please sign-up on the bulletin board by today if you would like to participate.

A **special offering** will be collected Easter Sunday to benefit the Ryan Hedgpeth family. This offering will be matched by the ACT for Mission funds. Please make checks payable to APC and indicate in the memo line that it's for the Hedgpeth family.

**April DAWN Donation:** Mac & Cheese, Canned Tunafish