

The Lord's Day Worship

November 17, 2024

the Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

The congregation's responses are in **bold**.

* Please stand as you are able

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Amazing Grace Mary McDonald & Larry Shackley
(My Chains are Gone)

Welcome

Call to Worship *Psalm 16:5&6* Pg. 471

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; thou holdest my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

* **Hymns of Grace #429** *For the Beauty of the Earth*

THE CHURCH APPROACHES THE THRONE OF GRACE

Confession of Sin

Gracious Heavenly Father, You have been constant and unwavering in Your love for us. You have kept Your promises and fulfilled every blessing through Jesus Christ. In Christ, You have showered us with precious and abiding gifts of faith, hope, and love. We confess that we have been unfaithful, and transient in our faith. We have acted like those who have no hope of salvation. We hoard the love you have showered upon us and share it only grudgingly with our neighbor. Please forgive us and increase our faith, so that hope and love might abide with us and overflow in us to everyone we know. For we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Let us take a moment for silent confession

Assurance of Pardon *Mark 2: 5*

* **The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

* **Response of Praise** *Gloria Patri* **Presbyterian 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.

THE CHURCH LISTENS FOR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 38:17-20* pg. 618

Anthem *The Healing Place* Joseph Martin

New Testament Reading *I Cor. 13:13* Pg. 1000
Hebrews 11:1-16 Pg. 1050

Sermon *Faith, Hope, Love*

THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD

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

* **Confession of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed*

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.

Call To Offering *Luke 6:38*

Offertory *We Gather Together* Dutch Folk Song

* **Song of Thanksgiving** *Doxology* **Presbyterian Hymnal #592**

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, all that we have, we have received from Your hand. You provide our every need and fulfill our deepest desire in Jesus Christ. Please receive these tithes and offerings as a loving response representing our hearts given to You through Him. Amen

Announcements **Prayers of the People**

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.

THE CHURCH DEPARTS TO SERVE

* **Hymns of Grace #408** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude** *Crown Him with Many Crowns* arr. David Winkler

Sermon Notes

Servers

Today's Lay Reader Cynthia Coleman
 Usher(s) Sang-il Lee & Gary Andrews

Prayer Requests

God's guidance at APC
 Our Session, Church Leaders & Musicians
 All of our Church Families and Visitors
 Our Nation & Elected Leaders
 Our Homeless and Displaced
 All of our Active and Veteran Military Personnel & Families
 Victims of Helene, Milton, and all other disasters

Evan Adcock	Aaron Albrecht	Silas Allen
Alice Barkdoll	Sue Boring	Kwasi Clark
Karen & Joey Cook, and family	Payton Emore	Justin Fulton
Kay Gagnon	Rosa Hall	Jo Ann Houchins
Mike Jennings	Kemp and his Family	Margaret Liebchen
Jimmy Mayhew	Essie Moore	Lindsay Orme
Sue Pearson	William (Jo Jo) Phillips	Emily Ragsdale
Shane Roach	Janie Roark	Billy Robertson
Marie Hicks Smith	Mike Smith	Wayne Stafford
Susan & Mo Vetter		

People at APC

Session Elders

Mark Younkin ('25)
Administration
 Barbie Andrews ('25)
Outreach
 Ron Coleman ('25)
Discipleship
 Cynthia Coleman ('26)
Congregational Care
 Randy Dunn ('26)
Congregational Care
 Davis Hewett ('26)
Congregational Care
 John Erb
Clerk of Session

Staff

Rev. Glenn Coleman
Interim Pastor
 Nancy Dalton
Church Secretary
 Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Choir Director
 Linda Giles
Organist & Pianist
 Gary Andrews
Co-Treasurer
 Mark Younkin
Co-Treasurer

Calendar of Events

10 AM Worship
 11 AM Congregational Meeting
November 17 Session 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.
November 18 11:30 AM or 12:30 PM Widow & Widower Luncheon @ FCA
December Newsletter Deadline
November 19 4 PM Administration Committee Meeting
November 20 12 PM Men's Lunch: Hibachi Grill, Lynchburg
5:30 PM Adult Bible Study
November 21 4 PM The Reflective Woman - Devotion
November 24 10 AM Worship
Thanksgiving Offering – Matched by Act for Missions acct.
November 27 APC Office Closed
No Adult Bible Study
Wishing you all a very Happy Thanksgiving
November 28 APC Office Closed
No The Reflective Woman – Devotion & Fellowship
November 30 Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ Walmart 10 AM - 6 PM

Announcements

* **The sanctuary flowers** this morning are given to the Glory of God.
 * **Congregational Meeting** will be on November 17th, following worship.
RE: 2025 Operating Budget and Electing the 2025 Nominating Committee.
 * **Angel Tree** is ready for AES. You may select an angel from the tree.
Collection Nov. 17th through Sunday, December 1st, deadline to return to APC. Details & Sign-up are on the hallway bulletin board.
 * The **Thanksgiving offering** will be collected next Sunday, 11/24, for the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands. This offering will be matched by our ACT for mission funds.
 * The **APC office will be closed** on Nov. 27th & 28th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Both Adult Bible Study and The Reflective Woman – Devotion & Fellowship will resume first week of December.
 * APC will participate again this year in the **Annual Salvation Army Bell Ringing** @ the Altavista Walmart on Nov. 30th between 10 AM - 6 PM. Sign-up is on hallway bulletin board if you are interested in participating.
 * **Chicken and Rice Casseroles** for National Center for Healthy Veterans. Please bring to APC by Dec. 8th. Details & Sign-up on bulletin board.
 * If you are new to or visiting Altavista Presbyterian Church today, we extend our "Welcome." Please find a **Visitor/Prayer card** in the seat pocket in front of you.

10:00 AM

Welcome to worship at
**ALTAVISTA PRESBYTERIAN
 CHURCH**



Greetings!

We welcome all to this service of worship. If you are a Christian visiting with us today, we greet you in the name of our common Lord. If you are not a believer, we greet you as a friend and trust that you will sense the warmth and genuineness of our reception. We invite everyone here to participate with our congregation as we sing, pray, and give attention to God's Word.

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*Equipping the saints for ministry,
 Building up the body of Christ.
 Eph. 4:12*