

The Lord's Day Worship
February 16, 2025
Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

The congregation's responses are in **bold**.
*Please stand as you are able

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Prelude *Theme from Sixth Symphony - Pathétique* arr. Tchaikovsky

Welcome

Call to Worship *Psalm 1:1 & 2*

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

* **Hymns of Grace #86** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

THE CHURCH APPROACHES THE THRONE OF GRACE

Confession of Sin Please be seated.

Loving God, source of all blessing, we confess that we spend much time and effort pursuing happiness through the accumulation of riches, the satisfaction of appetites, and the experience of pleasure. We turn aside from the way of Jesus, who teaches true blessings and genuine happiness. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and forgive our sin. Guide us Holy Spirit to walk with Christ in the ways of true blessing and eternal happiness, for we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Let us take a moment for silent confession

Assurance of Pardon *I John 1:8-10*

* **The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

* **Response of Praise** *Gloria Patri* **Presbyterian Hymnal #579**

THE CHURCH LISTENS FOR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading *Micah 6:1-8* pg. 805

Anthem *The Healing Place* arr. Jonathan Martin

New Testament Reading *Matthew 5:1-12* pg. 837

Sermon *They Who follow, Those Who Are Sent*

THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD

* **Presbyterian Hymnal #341** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!*

* **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 *Complete in Thee* arr. Ben Nyce

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

Prayer of Dedication

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 #377** *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior*

* **Charge & Benediction**

* **Postlude** *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* arr. Albert L. Peace

Sermon Notes

Servers

Today's Lay Reader Martha Moore
 Usher(s) Gary Andrews & Sang-il Lee

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 Active & Veteran Military Personnel, First Responders & their Families
 Federal Employees
 All Natural and Unnatural Disasters

Evan Adcock	Aaron Albrecht	Silas Allen
Alice Barkdoll	Mike & Rita Baron	Dale Belman & Amy Wells
Barbara Booze	Sue Boring	Cynthia Coleman
Jeff DeSantos	Tammy Emore	Family in Amherst
Family of Cecile Farmer	Family of Grant Martin's Uncle	Family of Sue Richardson's Father
William Francis	Justin Fulton	Kay Gagnon & Gigi
Granddaughter Shirley	Rosa Hall	Doug Hecht
David Houchins	Jo Ann Houchins	Mike Jennings
Sandra Kirby	Sang-Il Lee	Margaret Liebchen
Essie Moore	Sue Pearson	William (Jo Jo) Phillips
Andrea Rice	Linda Riley	Shane Roach
Janie Roark	Billy Robertson	Lindy Shelton
Marie Hicks Smith	Mike Smith	Wayne Stafford

Leadership of APC

Session Elders	Staff
Mark Younkin ('25) Administration	Rev. Glenn Coleman, Interim Pastor
Barbie Andrews ('25) Outreach	Nancy Dalton, Church Secretary
Ron Coleman ('25) Discipleship	Stephanie Moehlenkamp, Choir Director
Cynthia Coleman ('26) Congregational Care	Linda Giles, Organist & Pianist
Randy Dunn ('26) Congregational Care	Gary Andrews, Co-Treasurer
Davis Hewett ('26) Congregational Care	Mark Younkin, Co-Treasurer
John Erb, Clerk of Session	

Calendar of Events

February 16 10 AM Worship
 Session Meeting

February 19 12 PM Men's Lunch – Taste of Italy
 5:30 PM Bible Study

February 20 Stated Presbytery Meeting
 3:30 PM The Reflective Woman

February 22 4 – 8 PM Fellowship Hall Rented

February 23 10 AM Worship

February 24 March Link Deadline

February 26 5:30 PM Bible Study

February 27 3:30 PM The Reflective Woman

Announcements

* **The sanctuary flowers** this morning are given by Dennis and Linda Janiak in celebration of Kiernan's 20th and Ivey's 7th Birthdays.

* **Session Meeting** following today's service. If you have a special prayer request that the Session may pray over, please fill out and return the yellow insert in your bulletin.

* **Operation Christmas Child** February collection items: Toothbrushes & Toothbrush Holders, Girl's Hairbrushes, Boy's Combs

* **Men's Lunch** will meet this coming Wednesday, the 19th at 12 PM at the Taste of Italy. If in the event of inclement weather, an email update will be sent out.

* **The Reflective Woman** will resume Thursdays, February 20th – June 26 at 3:30 PM. All women of the church and community are welcome.

* **Claire Parker Family Care Cart Food Drive** Now - February 23rd.
 The Family Care Cart will provide families easy access to food and drink during various treatments and procedures! All donations go helping provide care to families during cancer treatments.
 A list of needed items is posted on the bulletin board.

* **Desserts for the National Center for Healthy Veterans:** Sign-up sheet is now on the bulletin board with details.

* **Inclement Weather Policy** In the event of inclement weather, please consult <https://wset.com/weather/closings> for APC info before leaving home for worship, Sunday morning.

* **Visitor/Prayer card:** 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*