

# The Lord's Day Worship

March 31, 2024

The First Sunday of Easter

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

*\*Please stand as you are able*

**Prelude**     *Rejoice, the Lord is King*     Mark Hayes

**Reading of the Law**     Joel 2:12-13

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

**\*Hymns of Grace #309**

*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

**Confession of Sin**     *adapted from Robert Hawker (1753-1827)*

*Blessed Jesus...do You not bear all our troubles, temptations, trials, and difficulties? The government is upon your shoulder. The care of the church is all with you. So will we not cast all our cares upon you? Lord give us grace to let loose all things, and to leave all things with you. Amen*

**Assurance of Pardon**     Romans 4:4-5

**\*The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!  
*And also with you!*

**\*Song of Praise**     *Gloria Patri*

*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**     *Westminster Confession of Faith, chapter II.2*

*God has all life, glory, goodness, and blessedness in and of himself. He alone is all-sufficient in and unto himself, nor does he need any of his creations or derive any glory from them. Rather, he manifests his own glory in, by, unto, and on them. He is the only source of all being, by whom, through whom, and to whom everything exists. He has completely sovereign dominion over all things and does with, to, or for them whatever he pleases. Everything is revealed and completely open to him. His knowledge is infinite, infallible, and does not depend on any created being, so that to him nothing is conditional or uncertain. He is completely holy in all his purposes, works, and commands. To him is due whatever worship, service, or obedience he is pleased to require from angels, human beings, and all other creatures.*

*This, we confess and believe, amen.*

**Call To Offering**     II Corinthians 9:6-9

**Offertory**     *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*     Neale/Woodward

**\*Song of Thanksgiving**     *Doxology*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Prayer of Dedication**     II Chronicles 6:41-42

**Children's Lesson**     *Young children are excused to Children's Church.*

**Anthem**     *Canticle for Easter Day*     arr. Pattie Drennan

**Prayer of Intercession**

**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 and ever. Amen.*

**Minute for Missions**

**Scripture**     John 19:28-30     **p.944**

The Word of God for the People of God!  
*Thanks be to God!*

**Sermon**     *"Final Benedictions: The Word of Triumph"*

**\* Hymns of Grace #209**

*Rock of Ages*

**\*Charge & Benediction**

**\*Postlude**     *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*     Lyra Davidica

Sermon Notes

### Servers

Today's Lay Reader            Terry Walton  
 March Ushers                    Sang-il Lee & Gary Andrews

### Prayer Requests

Our session & church leaders    Aaron Albrecht  
 Our nation & elected leaders    Glenn Jefferson  
 God's guidance at APC            Silas Allen  
 Ezra Soto                            Collin Adams  
 Margaret Liebchen                William (Jo Jo) Phillips  
 Alice Barkdoll                    Kay Gagnon  
 Billy Robertson                  Emily Ragsdale  
 Essie Moore                        Jo Ann Houchins  
 Mike Smith

### People at APC

#### **Session Elders**

Gary Andrews ('24)  
*Administration*

Kevin deBernard ('24)  
*Outreach*

Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('24)  
*Discipleship*

Barbie Andrews ('25)  
*Congregational Care*

Ron Coleman ('25)  
*Congregational Care*

Mark Younkin ('25)  
*Congregational Care*

John Erb  
*Clerk of Session*

#### **Staff**

Rev. Ed Soto  
*Minister of Word & Sacrament*

Carolyn Doss  
*Church Secretary*

Stephanie Moehlenkamp  
*Choir Director*

Linda Giles  
*Organist & Pianist*

Gary Andrews  
*Co-Treasurer*

Mark Younkin  
*Co-Treasurer*

### April Events

**April 1**                            Office Closed  
**April 2**                            5 PM Outreach Committee Meeting  
**April 3**                            12 PM Men's Lunch – Tuscan Italian Grill  
**April 4**                            4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect  
**April 7**                            10 AM Worship/Communion  
    Collect Two Cents-A-Meal Offering  
**April 8**                            5 PM Elder Training  
**April 11**                          4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect  
**April 13**                          11 AM – 3 PM DAWN Open House  
**April 14**                          10 AM Worship/Children's Church  
**April 15**                          4:00 PM Administration Committee Meeting  
**April 17**                          12 PM Men's Lunch – Hibachi Grill  
**April 18**                          4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect  
**April 21**                          10 AM Worship/Children's Church  
    Session Meeting after Worship  
**April 22**                          4:30 PM Discipleship Meeting  
**April 23**                          May Link Deadline  
**April 25**                          4-5:30 PM Craft & Connect  
**April 28**                          10 AM Worship/Children's Church  
    Koinonia Luncheon after Worship

### Announcements

Thank you for your contributions for the Easter Lilies. Please remember to take yours to enjoy at home after worship today.

The church office will be closed Monday in observance of Easter.

Volunteers needed to help with Children's Church in April and May Sign-up sheet can be found on the bulletin board.

April Operation Christmas Child Donation Items: Small Plastic Reusable Cups, Socks for 5-9 Yr. Old Girls, Socks for 5-9 Yr. Old Boys

Craft & Connect gatherings will continue through June 27<sup>th</sup>.

All Bible Studies are cancelled for the rest of the semester. Tentative restart date is September 4.

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*