

The Lord's Day Worship

April 21, 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

**Please stand as you are able*

Prelude *Wonderful Peace* arr. Mark Hayes

Reading of the Law *Isaiah 55:6-8*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you!

***Presbyterian Hymnal #104**

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Confession of Sin *Book of Common Prayer (1552)*

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us... Grant, O most merciful Father, for Christ's sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name.

Assurance of Pardon *Isaiah 1:18*

***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 III. 1-2*

1. From all eternity and by the completely wise and holy purpose of his own will, God has freely and unchangeably ordained whatever happens. This ordainment does not mean, however, that God is the author of sin (he is not), that he represses the will of his created beings, or that he takes away the freedom or contingency of secondary causes. Rather, the will of created beings and the freedom and contingency of secondary causes are established by him.

2. Although God knows whatever may or can happen under all possible circumstances, he has not ordered anything because he foresaw it in the future as something which would happen under such circumstances.

This, we confess and believe, amen.

Call To Offering *Hebrews 13:14-16*

Offertory *My Heart Is Full of Christ* Charles Wesley/Philip Webb

***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 *I Kings 8:56-58*

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

Anthem *Canon of Praise* arr. Hal Hopson

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 *Genesis 20:12-18* **p.15**

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

Sermon *"Abraham's Restoration"*

***Hymns of Grace #53**

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude** *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* John Newton

Today's Lay Reader

Today's Ushers

Sermon Notes

Servers

Cynthia Coleman

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	Sue Pearson

People at APC

Session Elders

Gary Andrews ('24) <i>Administration</i>
Kevin deBernard ('24) <i>Outreach</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp ('24) <i>Discipleship</i>
Barbie Andrews ('25) <i>Congregational Care</i>
Ron Coleman ('25) <i>Congregational Care</i>
Mark Younkin ('25) <i>Congregational Care</i>
John Erb <i>Clerk of Session</i>

Staff

Rev. Ed Soto <i>Minister of Word & Sacrament</i>
Carolyn Doss <i>Church Secretary</i>
Nancy Dalton <i>Church Secretary</i>
Stephanie Moehlenkamp <i>Choir Director</i>
Linda Giles <i>Organist & Pianist</i>
Gary Andrews <i>Co-Treasurer</i>
Mark Younkin <i>Co-Treasurer</i>

April Events

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 17	11:30 AM 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

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.

Relay for Life at Altavista Combined School Track Saturday, April 27, from 5 PM-12 AM. For more information log on to: relayforlife.org/campbellva

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.

April 23 is the deadline to submit articles to the church office for the May newsletter.

Koinonia Retirement Celebration Luncheon for Carolyn Doss following Worship, Sunday, April 28.

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*