



**Altamont Reformed Church  
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost  
October 29, 2023**

**Prelude**

**“Our Father Who Art in Heaven” Johann Sebastian Bach  
Audrey Daly-Gilman, Organist**

**THE LITURGY OF APPROACH**

**Votum**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

**Come:**

**to the God whose yoke is easy  
and whose burden is light.**

**Come:**

**to the God who listens  
and whose compassion never fails.**

**Come:**

**to the God who is great in wisdom  
and whose reign is marked by humble service.**

**Come:**

**for he is our God  
and we will worship him forever.**

**\*Hymn: “Here in This Place” (Purple) #401**

**Prayer of Confession**

Forgive us, God, when we play down the wonder of your creation or forget the depth of your love. Forgive us when we imagine you other than you are or when we create you in our own image. Forgive us when what we share with others is a poor reflection of your marvelous love. **Forgive us and inspire us by your love to embrace all that you created us to be: loved, forgiven, free, heirs of the Reign of God. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:3-4, 7-8**

**The Law of God**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

**\*Gloria Patri (Purple) #581**

**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 with-out end. Amen, Amen.**

**Ministry of Music**

**“I Must Tell Jesus”  
(Blue Hymnal # 430)**

**Elisha A. Hoffman**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Children’s Message**

**\*Hymn: “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” (Purple) #347**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 12:1-17, 25-29 (Old Testament pp. 317 & 318)**

## Sermon

### \*Affirmation of Faith

We belong to God,  
creator of all that is and all that is to come,  
abundant provider of the gifts in this life  
and the gifts in our own hearts.  
It is God alone who gives life,  
who is generous beyond measure with grace and blessing.  
We follow Jesus,  
whom God sent to teach and heal,  
to show us a new way of living,  
with love and trust and courage,  
with joy and generosity.  
In this faith Jesus gave of himself,  
even his very life.  
He was crucified and buried;  
yet God raised him from death,  
and he lives among us,  
and grants his spirit to us.  
We live by that Holy Spirit,  
and entrust ourselves to its guidance and empowerment.  
As members of the church,  
the Body of Christ,  
we devote ourselves to lives of love,  
rejoicing in the power of forgiveness,  
the reality of resurrection,  
and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF RESPONSE

Announcements

Offering

**\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below: Praise God above, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People followed by the Lord's Prayer

**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, for ever. Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn: “Hope of the World” (Purple) #734**

**\*Benediction**

Postlude “Basse et Dessus de Trompette” Louis-Nicolas Clerambault

*\* indicates the congregation stands, if able.*

**WELCOME** as we worship together. Please join us for coffee hour fellowship after our worship service.

**PLEASE SPEAK TO A GREETER ABOUT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**CHILDREN BULLETINS AND SACK COLORING PAGES** are available in the front of the sanctuary.

**ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES** are in the back of the sanctuary.

**LARGE PRINT HYMNAL**: If you are visually challenged, a larger version of the *Glory to God* hymnal is available in the front or back of the sanctuary. The covers are black