



**Altamont Reformed Church  
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 8, 2023**

**Prelude**

**Audrey Daly-Gilman, Organist**

**THE LITURGY OF APPROACH**

**Votum**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

All heaven and earth proclaim the majesty of God's creative power!

**Praise God for the amazing and awesome beauty.**

God has given to us codes by which to live together in harmony and peace.

In these commandments,

**God has summed up the ways we must respect one another.**

Rejoice in the goodness of God.

**Praise God for God's complete and steadfast love for us. Amen.**

**\*Hymn: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" (Purple) #4**

**Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, you gave us guidance. In all of history your guidance has been there: muddled and devalued by words like command and order, when what you seek of us is desire, love, compassion, hope. Forgive us when our lives are full of commandments and rules and bereft of compassion and love. Forgive us when

the word becomes more than the Word, when our determination to adhere to the word belies the Spirit of joy and hope.

**Show us, gently, humbly, lightly, softly how to follow, how to be guided into obedience and teach us acceptance of your love, your forgiveness and your compassion. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:1-2  
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 Know That My Redeemer Lives” Craig Courtney**

**I know that my Redeemers lives, I know that my Redeemer lives  
and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.  
And though my body be destroyed, and though my body  
be destroyed, yet in my flesh shall I see God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, I know that my Redeemer lives.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, I know that my Redeemer lives.**

**Now we see in a glass dimly, but then, face to face;  
now I know in part, but then I shall know as I am known.  
Allelu, alleluia, allelu, alleluia, I know that my Redeemer lives.  
Allelu, alleluia, allelu, alleluia, I know that my Redeemer lives.  
I know that my Redeemer lives.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Message

\*Hymn: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (Purple) #286

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9 (Old Testament p. 162, 163)

Sermon

\*Affirmation of Faith

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,  
the firstborn of all creation;  
in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,  
things visible and invisible.  
All things have been created through him and for him.  
He himself is before all things,  
and in him all things hold together.  
He is the head of the body, the church;  
he is the beginning,  
the firstborn from the dead,  
so that he might come to have first place in everything.  
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,  
and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,  
whether on earth or in heaven,  
by making peace through the blood of his cross.  
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: "Though I May Speak" (Purple) #693

#### \*Benediction

### Postlude

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

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