



Altamont Reformed Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 19, 2019

Prelude “Andante Tranquillo from Sonata III” Mendelssohn
Organist, Audrey Daly

WE GATHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD!

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 148

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens;

praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his host!

Praise him, sun and moon;

praise him, all you shining stars!

Praise him, you highest heavens,

and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord,

for he commanded and they were created.

He established them for ever and ever;

he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise the Lord from the earth,

you sea monsters and all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and frost,

stormy wind fulfilling his command!

Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars!
Wild animals and all cattle,
creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!
Young men and women alike,
old and young together!

Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven.
He has raised up a horn for his people,
praise for all his faithful,
for the people of Israel who are close to him.
Praise the Lord!

***Hymn: “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” (Blue) #12**

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon: Ezekiel 36:25-26

The Law of God

***Passing of the Peace**
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!
People: And also with you!

***Gloria Patri (Blue) #623**
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 “Generation To Generation” SmithStephens/Gilpin

Through centuries of learning the Light of Truth is passed,
etched in stone tablets, Incarnate teaching Word.

The ever new Old Story, Wisdom’s legacy,
the birthright most precious of God’s family.

To those who’ve walked before us our grateful hearts we give;
for those who follow our steps faithfully we’ll live.

As children of God, ev’ry race and creed,
we reach across divisions in peace for unity.

Refrain: Generation to generation Jesus loves us, this we know.

Generation to generation the love of God unfolds.

God adds to the Church those being saved by knowledge of the Word,
loved lessons of faith.

Sisters and brothers, fam’lies diverse, we sing Love’s song together
throughout the universe.

We celebrate the Church, a teaching ministry. We celebrate the Word,
the Truth that sets us free.

We celebrate all people, God’s family. We celebrate the Hope,
Who lives eternally.

Age to Age we tell the Story. Age to age we sing the Song.

Generation to generation the teaching church of God moves on!

Children's Message

*Hymn of Preparation: “Break Thou the Bread of Life” (Blue) #274

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: John 13:31-35 (New Testament Page 108)

Sermon

WE RESPOND WITH GRATITUDE

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, the Root of all living,
Creator of all things.

We live in Christ Jesus, God's Son,
who loved all people and who makes us one in his love.
He suffered and died, and was raised to new life.
In his death and resurrection
we are also raised to life that is transformed.
Christ is our Vine, and we are his branches;
and without him we cannot live.

We live by the Holy Spirit, flowing through us
so that we may bear fruit for God, the fruit of love.
In the Spirit we are one with Christ, one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world.

We trust in the one holy church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sin,
the mystery of resurrection,
and the grace of eternal life. Amen

Announcements

Offertory

“Blessed Jesus, We Are Here”

J.S. Bach

*Doxology

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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: “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” (Red) #317**

***Sending**

Our worship has ended,

Our service to the world begins!

***Choral Benediction**

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

“Toccata in E Minor”

Pachelbel

*** Indicates the congregation stands if able**

WELCOME VISITORS!

Welcome to all visitors in worship today! Please fill out one of the white visitor's cards in the pew hymnal racks so we may know who you are and may keep in touch. Kindly place the card in the offering plate.

PLEASE SPEAK TO A GREETER ABOUT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- **NURSERY FOR INFANTS AND CHILDREN UP TO AGE 3** Nursery care is provided each Sunday in the nursery at the foot of the stairwell that is at the front of the sanctuary. Theresa Lasselle serves as our caretaker.
CHILDREN’S BULLETINS and “SERMON SACKS” (COLORING SHEETS FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN), are available in the front and back of the sanctuary.
- **ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES** are in the back of the sanctuary. They are small and easy to use.
- **LARGE COPIES OF OUR WEEKLY BULLETIN:**
If you are visually challenged, a larger version of today’s bulletin is available in the front or back of the sanctuary.

VOLUNTEERS TODAY

Coffee Hour.....Theresa Lasselle
 Greeters.....Cheryl Osterhout & Rick Flaherty
 Side Door Greeter.....Sallie Townsend
 Offering Counters.....Marianne Baratier and Mary Hughes
 Nursery Volunteer.....Theresa Lasselle and **Volunteer**

FUTURE VOLUNTEERS

| | May 26 | June 2 | June 9 |
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| Coffee Hour | Jan Davis & Volunteer Needed | 2 Volunteers Needed | 2 Volunteers Needed |
| Ushers /Greeter(s) | Nancy Webb & Tulla Pangburn | Marianne Baratier & Lois Ginsburg | Volunteers Needed |
| Offering Ctrs. | Tracy Mayer & Nancy McNiven | Angie Stewart & Nellie Goutos | Lynda Thomas & Hal Hughes |
| Nursery Volunteers | Theresa Lasselle & Volunteer | Theresa Lasselle & Volunteer | Theresa Lasselle & Volunteer |

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Today 11:30 a.m. Special Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall honoring our youth
 Short meeting of worship greeter volunteers

Mon. May 20 7:00 p.m. Men’s Bible Study

Tues. May 21 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Sun. May 26 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday school; Chancel Choir rehearsal
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall