



# Altamont Reformed Church

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2019

Prelude

“Arioso”

J.S. Bach

Organist, Audrey Daly

**WE GATHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD!**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome

## **Call to Worship: Psalm 24:7-10**

Lift up your heads, O gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors!

that the King of glory may come in.

### **Who is the King of glory?**

The Lord, strong and mighty,

the Lord, mighty in battle.

### **Lift up your heads, O gates!**

**and be lifted up, O ancient doors!**

**that the King of glory may come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**The Lord of hosts,**

**he is the King of glory.**

\*Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy” (Blue) #262

## **Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy, we are not as compassionate as the good Samaritan; we are not as joyfully forgiving as the father of the prodigal son; our faith is not as strong as that of the woman at the well; nor are we as trusting as the boy with the

loaves and fishes. It is hard for us to apply your Son's teachings to our lives. Lord, help us grow in faith, in trust, and in loving service to others. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-12**

**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**

**“Grace”**

**Mark Hayes**

(See “Amazing Grace”-blue hymnal page 202)

**Children's Message**

**\*Hymn of Preparation: “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” (Blue) #414**

**GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:21-6:9 (New Testament Page 195)**

**Sermon**

**WE RESPOND WITH GRATITUDE**

**Affirmation of Faith**

**We believe in God, maker of all things,  
provider of all things, who loves all people.**

**We follow Jesus, in whom salvation has come to us:**

he sees us for who we are,  
heals the wounds of our hearts, and makes us new.

In his death and resurrection we see the deepest truth of life.  
We live by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
which empowers us for self-giving love.  
We give thanks for the Church, the Body of Christ,  
and for the gift of forgiveness,  
the power of resurrection  
and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.

### Announcements

Offertory                    “All Things Bright and Beautiful”                    Alexander Monk

### \*Doxology (Blue) #625

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:            “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (Blue) #286

**\*Sending**

Our worship has ended,  
Our service to the world begins!

**\*Choral Benediction**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

“Voluntary in E Minor”

John Stanley

**\* 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 CARE FOR 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 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.....	Hannah & Jim Pavoldi
Greeters.....	Dan & Christine Capuano
Side Door Greeter.....	Sallie Townsend
Offering Counters.....	Dan Capuano & Jeff Counterline
Nursery Volunteer.....	Theresa Lasselle and <b>Volunteer</b>