



2025

Altamont Reformed Church
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 12,

Prelude

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

THE LITURGY OF APPROACH

Votum

Call to Worship

God of truth, in darkness and unknowing, you call us.

Here we are; we are listening.

God of love, you call us by name.

Here we are. Speak to us.

God of justice, you call us to your work.

Here we are. Send us.

God of mercy, re-form us by your Word.

Gracious God, we worship you with open hearts.

Opening Prayer

***Hymn: “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (Purple) #475**

Prayer of Confession

God of love, help us to see ourselves with the eyes of love,
to see what in us is loving,
and what is not loving.

God, we recall when we have been in harmony with you,
or with life, and we give thanks.

We recall when we have been out of harmony, and we seek your grace.

God of mercy, in Christ you have shown us your grace.

Forgive us, heal us, and perfect your love in us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 1:5, 7

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 “Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled” Mary McDonald
(This anthem was purchased in loving memory of Mark Burlingame.)

Let not your heart be troubled nor let it be afraid; have peace and calm
assurance the debt for you is paid. In my Father’s house are mansions;
He’s prepared a place for you. Let not your heart be troubled, Jesus has a
home for you.

Refrain: In heaven there’s no sorrow, no more crying, no more fear, only joy
through endless ages and praises we will hear, will hear. Heaven’s choir
sings alleluias as they lift their praise and sing; we have a risen Savior,
Jesus Christ, our King, our King.

Let not your heart be troubled, we believe in God; we believe also in Jesus,
the path that He has trod. The way, the truth, and life; through the Son.

Let not your heart be troubled, the vict’ry has been won, been won! *Refrain*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Message (Children leave for Story Time after helping to collect donations for the Altamont Community Food Pantry.)

***Hymn:** "Be Thou My Vision" (Blue) #382

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-21 Old Testament p. 247

Sermon

***Affirmation of Faith**

We love and trust God, Eternal Creator, the Source of all Being and the giver of the laws of life, whose word of love is unchanging, though our understanding is imperfect and incomplete.

We follow Jesus, God's Christ, who embodied God's love, who taught and healed, who enacted God's law of love in new and radical ways. He gave himself completely in love; he was crucified; yet God raised him from death, transforming the law, and even life and death. He sets us free and leads us in lives of radical self-giving.

We live by the Holy Spirit, the living breath of God in us, who empowers us to live lives of grace and compassion, trusting in the power of forgiveness, the blessing of community, the reality of resurrection and the coming of God's Reign of mercy and justice. In all, we give God thanks, and we give God our lives. 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 with 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: “Lord, Speak to Me” (Purple) #722**

***Choral Benediction**

***Benediction**

Postlude

“Fanfare”

Jacques Lemmens

** indicates the congregation stands, if able.*

WELCOME as we worship together. Please join us for Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall after worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025

PLEASE SPEAK TO A GREETER ABOUT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

Youth Bulletins or Sheets, Sack Coloring Pages are available in the front of the sanctuary.

Assisted Listening Devices are in the back of the sanctuary.

Large Print Hymnal: A larger version of the *Glory to God* hymnal is available in the front or back of the sanctuary. The covers are black.