

# unchanging truth. changing lives

Alexandria Presbyterian Church is a welcoming community of believers, rejoicing in the gospel, transformed by its power, and responding with grateful hearts in service to our God and world. We long to taste the glory of God in such an astonishing way that the city of Alexandria will be drawn to the majesty and mercy of our great God. It is our desire that our worship will serve as an authentic model to our city of the possibilities for transformation of individuals, families and a city encountering the glory and grace of God.

■ **call to worship** | Marc and Shannon Allen

Genesis 40:14-15

<sup>14</sup>But when all goes well with you, remember me and show me kindness; mention me to Pharaoh and get me out of this prison. <sup>15</sup>I was forcibly carried off from the land of the Hebrews, and even here I have done nothing wrong to deserve being put in prison.

■ **prayer of adoration**

■ **song of praise**

**O Come to the Altar**

Are you hurting and broken within—overwhelmed by the weight of your sin—Jesus is calling  
Have you come to the end of yourself—Do you thirst for a drink from the well—Jesus is calling

*O come to the altar—the Father's arms are open wide  
Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ*

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes—Come today there's no reason to wait—Jesus is calling  
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy—from the ashes a new life is born—Jesus is calling

Oh what a Savior—Isn't He wonderful—Sing alleluia, Christ is risen  
Bow down before Him—for He is Lord of all—Sing alleluia, Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown—Tell the world of the treasure you've found

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■ **scripture reading** | Sharon Holliday, Caitlin Jolly, Stacey Diack

2 Chronicles 7:11-22

**If My People Pray**

<sup>11</sup>Thus Solomon finished the house of the Lord and the king's house. All that Solomon had planned to do in the house of the Lord and in his own house he successfully accomplished. <sup>12</sup>Then the Lord appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. <sup>13</sup>When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, <sup>14</sup>if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. <sup>15</sup>Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place. <sup>16</sup>For now I have chosen and consecrated this house that my name may be there forever. My eyes and my heart will be there for all time. <sup>17</sup>And as for you, if you will walk before me as David your father walked, doing according to all that I have commanded you and keeping my statutes and my rules, <sup>18</sup>then I will establish your royal throne, as I covenanted with David your father, saying, 'You shall not lack a man to rule Israel.'

<sup>19</sup>"But if you turn aside and forsake my statutes and my commandments that I have set before you, and go and serve other gods and worship them, <sup>20</sup>then I will pluck you up from my land that I have given you, and this house that I have consecrated for my name, I will cast out of my sight, and I will make it a proverb and a byword among all peoples. <sup>21</sup>And at this house, which was exalted, everyone passing by will be astonished and say, 'Why has the Lord done thus to this land and to this house?' <sup>22</sup>Then they will say, 'Because they abandoned the Lord, the God of their fathers who brought them out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods and worshiped them and served them. Therefore he has brought all this disaster on them.'"

■ **testimony** | Reverend Mike Powell

■ **congregational prayer** | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

■ **offertory prayer** | Deacon Bruce Barham

■ **presentation of tithes and offerings**

■ **sermon scripture reading**

Habakuk 1:1-4

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

**Habakkuk's Complaint**

<sup>2</sup>O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not hear?

Or cry to you "Violence!"  
and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see iniquity,  
and why do you idly look at wrong?  
Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup>So the law is paralyzed,  
and justice never goes forth.  
For the wicked surround the righteous;  
so justice goes forth perverted.

■ **sermon** | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

**"Hear My Cry, Lord!"**

*Sermon series: Anticipation: Witnesses of the Supernatural*

■ **song of response**

**Hear Us From Heaven**

Lord hear our cry—Come heal our land  
Breathe life into these dry and thirsty souls  
Lord hear our prayer—Forgive our sin  
And as we call on Your name—Would You make this a place for Your glory to dwell

*Open the blind eyes—Unlock the deaf ears  
Come to Your people as we draw near  
Hear us from heaven—Touch our generation  
We are Your people crying out in desperation*

Lord hear our cry—Your children worship as we sing out Your praise  
Would You make this a place for Your glory to dwell

Hear us from heaven—Hear us from heaven—Hear us from heaven  
Hear us from heaven—Hear us from heaven—Hear us from heaven

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■ **benediction**