

**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**New Officer Training Interest Meeting on Sunday, July 11 at 11am.** APC men, if you are interested in knowing more about being a deacon or elder, or if God may be calling you to be an officer, join Pastor Tom Holliday at his home to learn more. An overview of both offices will be given as well as summer reading materials to help you prepare for the officer training class this Fall. For more information or to sign up, contact Sue Edwards, Office Manager, at [sue.edwards@alexandriapres.org](mailto:sue.edwards@alexandriapres.org).

**Newcomer Brunch on Sunday, July 18 from 10-11am.** If you are new to APC, we would love the chance to get to know you over brunch! You'll have a chance to meet church officers and staff, ask questions and learn more about the ministry God is building here. We will meet outside next to the playground in the back of the church building. **Please RSVP to Office Manager Sue Edwards at [sue.edwards@alexandriapres.org](mailto:sue.edwards@alexandriapres.org).**

**Summer Women's Evening Bible Study.** Women of APC - You are warmly invited to participate in our Summer Women's Evening Bible Study. We are gathering weekly in-person outside on Thursdays at 7pm in Alexandria. In the case of extreme weather, we will meet via Zoom. The study will continue through August 12 with a break the week of July 4th. We will be using a LifeGuide Bible Study resource called "The Lord's Prayer" by Douglas Connelly. This study is topical, so come as you are able. We trust that the gatherings will be a sweet time of fellowship, connection, and renewal. Please contact Karen Heath ([karen.harner@gmail.com](mailto:karen.harner@gmail.com)) to learn more and register.

**APC Women-Reading in Community!** Ladies, we have put together a list of books we think will refresh your souls. Some you may have heard of or already read, and some may be new to you. We hope you will take the time to peruse the list, choose one or two to dive into and maybe even gather a friend or two to read along with you. The variety is meant to whet your appetite in different ways. We hope these suggestions will help kick-start your time with the Lord! This list is available on the APC website and email.

**The Adult Choir plans to resume in September!** If you have not sung with us before, this will be a fine time to start! More details to come, but you may direct general questions to Vell Rives, [vellrives@gmail.com](mailto:vellrives@gmail.com).

**CHILDREN AND TEENS**

**Children's Ministry.**  
**Nursery registration is required and offered up to age 4.** We have a limited capacity and can only accommodate a certain number of children based on how many volunteers we have. Please review the Children's Ministry COVID-19 Protocols before you register at the link found in the APC email. Registration is open Wednesday through Friday each week.

**Children's Church meets the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month during worship for children ages 5 through 2nd grade.**

**Explorers.** We are currently on summer break, however during the year on Sunday evenings we welcome children in grades K-5 to experience gospel living and discipleship as they build relationships with one another and with the leaders of their small groups. Contact Erin Furgerson, Director of Children's Ministries, at [erin.furgerson@alexandriapre.org](mailto:erin.furgerson@alexandriapre.org) for more information.

**PROTAS Teen Ministry.**  
PROTAS is meeting for in-person youth group for all students grades 6-12 on Sunday evenings from 6-7:30pm. Discipleship groups are also meeting during the week. Contact Adam LeRoy, Director of Youth Ministries, at [adam.leroy@alexandriapres.org](mailto:adam.leroy@alexandriapres.org) for the summer schedule and more details.

**ADULT EDUCATION**

**Sunday school** | On Summer Break through early September.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Email Distribution List.** Weekly e-announcements keep the APC family informed of ministries, events, and prayer requests. To subscribe, please contact the church office at [admin@alexandriapres.org](mailto:admin@alexandriapres.org).

**Covenant Fellowship Groups (CFG).** APC offers a variety of CFGs which meet for study, prayer, fellowship, accountability and growth. A list of locations, times and contact info can be found online or by contacting Josh Diack, Pastor of Congregational Life, at [josh.diack@alexandriapres.org](mailto:josh.diack@alexandriapres.org).

**CORPORATE PRAYER IN 2021**

**Every Sunday, 8am—Chapel (RRC) or via Zoom.** Praying for our Worship Service.  
**Second Saturday of the month, 9am—Zoom.** Praying with our Elders for our church.  
**Third Saturday of the month, 11am—Zoom.** Praying with the Prayer Committee.  
**Fourth Sunday of the month, 5pm—Zoom.** Praying with our church community.  
**Intercessory Prayer Team.** Contact Pastor Tom Holliday for details.

**UNCHANGING TRUTH—CHANGING LIVES**

**APC is a church of sinners. It's that simple.** But we are bound together by the Gospel that saves us and transforms us. The transformation is, however, a process. God isn't through with us yet. Everyone in this church is struggling with something. If you are currently struggling with greed, gossip, drugs, alcohol, sexual brokenness, eating disorders, anger, pride, etc—you are not alone. More importantly, God does not intend for you to struggle alone. That's why He made the Church. If you would like to learn how your brothers and sisters at APC might be able to encourage you, pray with you and struggle alongside you, contact Tom Holliday at the church office.

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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.

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Please, no food or drink in sanctuary. Silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.  
Please see a greeter or usher for assistance.

# Holy Worship Service

## GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

■ **prelude** | *Praise Team*

■ **call to worship** | *Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor*

*Acts 2:28*

You have made known to me the paths of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.

■ **song of praise**

### In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

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There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

■ **prayer of adoration**

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ **scripture reading** | *Jeremy and Staci Root*

*Luke 7:36-50*

### A Sinful Woman Forgiveness

<sup>36</sup>One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. <sup>37</sup>And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, <sup>38</sup>and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. <sup>39</sup>Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." <sup>40</sup>And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

<sup>41</sup>"A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup>When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" <sup>43</sup>Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." <sup>44</sup>Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup>You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. <sup>46</sup>You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. <sup>47</sup>Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." <sup>48</sup>And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." <sup>49</sup>Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" <sup>50</sup>And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

■ **congregational prayer**

■ **offertory prayer** | *Ruth Fisher*

■ **musical offering** | *Serenity Novak, Worship Assistant*

## GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ **sermon scripture reading**

*John 8:31-38*

### The Truth Will Set You Free

<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. <sup>37</sup>I know that you are offspring of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me because my word finds no place in you. <sup>38</sup>I speak of what I have seen with my Father, and you do what you have heard from your father."

■ **prayer for illumination**

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

### "The Truth Will Set You Free"

## GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ **songs of response**

### Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King  
Would welcome me  
I was lost but He brought me in  
Oh His love for me  
Oh His love for me

*Who the Son sets free  
Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am*

Free at last  
He has ransomed me  
His grace runs deep  
While I was a slave to sin  
Jesus died for me  
Yes He died for me

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■ **And Can It Be That I Should Gain** (*Trinity #455, Verses 1, 3, 4, & 5*)

And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood  
Died He for me who caused His pain  
For me who Him to death pursued  
Amazing love how can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me  
Amazing love how can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me

He left His Father's throne above  
So free so infinite His grace  
Emptied Himself of all but love  
And bled for Adam's helpless race  
'Tis mercy all immense and free  
For O my God it found out me  
'Tis mercy all immense and free  
For O my God it found out me

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■ **dismissal**

Leader: Let us go forth and serve our city and our world as those who love the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**All: We will go forth and serve our city and our world in the name of Christ.**

■ **benediction**

■ **announcements** | *Mike Powell, Pastoral Associate*

*In my Father's house  
There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am*

I am chosen not forsaken  
I am who You say I am  
You are for me not against me  
I am who You say I am

Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray  
I woke the dungeon flamed with light  
My chains fell off my heart was free  
I rose went forth and followed Thee  
My chains fell off my heart was free  
I rose went forth and followed Thee

No condemnation now I dread  
Jesus and all in Him is mine  
Alive in Him my living Head  
And clothed in righteousness divine  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne  
And claim the crown through Christ my own  
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