

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Inquirers Class is July 15-16. If you are interested in membership or in gaining a deeper understanding of APC, you should attend this class. You will receive an introduction to Christianity, the PCA, and the specific vision/mission and philosophy of ministry at APC. Membership is open to all who profess faith in Christ and believe the basic teachings of the Christian faith. Attending the class does not obligate you to join the church. Sign up and find more details through the link on the APC website! Contact: inquirers@alexandriapres.org.

Next Baptism is Sunday, July 17. If you would like to have your child or children baptized, please send an email to admin@alexandriapres.org.

Once we begin worshiping in our new building, Sunday worship will be at 10am through the summer. In September we will kick off our new schedule of 9am and 11am worship services. A more detailed schedule will be communicated once we have a confirmed occupancy date!

For the Nations (FTN) summer camp needs volunteers! FTN is an APC-supported non-profit that seeks to provide English classes as a way of developing relationships and ultimately sharing the Gospel with immigrants and refugees in our local area. Please consider joining others from APC to help put on a LEGO-themed week for children July 5-7 from 9am-12:30pm at First Baptist Church of Alexandria (2932 King St. Alexandria, VA 22302). No LEGO experience required! Just come and have fun. Kids are welcome to participate as well. For questions, contact Nate Kinder at nathan.m.kinder@gmail.com.

Casa Chirilagua is in need of three dedicated volunteers for the month of July to assist with Teens Club Summer Camp. Volunteers would spend their time building relationships with middle schoolers from the Chirilagua neighborhood, assisting with summer tutoring, and leading various activities. The summer camp meets Tuesdays from 4:30-6:30pm for the month of July. You can reach out to Kate Denson at kate@casachirilagua.org if you have any questions or would like to apply.

Please avoid entering the Fellowship Hall, as Del Ray Baptist is now using the space on Sunday mornings.

Families using the nursery or Children's Church: Exit the Sanctuary through the doors at the front (nearest to the pulpit), and walk down the stairs to the Nursery and Children's Church rooms. You may then exit the building through the door in the Children's Church Room, or walk back up the same stairs and exit through the Del Ray foyer.

Summer Schedule. As we enter the summer months and transition to our new building, please be aware of the following changes that apply to the remainder of our time at the Del Ray Baptist Building:

- Simulcast (family-friendly area/cry room) in the Chapel during worship
- Fellowship after the service outside on the front lawn
- Sunday School on summer break
- Explorers, PROTAS, and Sunday evening classes on summer break

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NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Nursery registration is required and offered up to age 4. We have a limited capacity based on how many volunteers we have. Please register at the link found in the APC email. Registration is open Wednesday through Friday each week.

Children's Church meets in Room 124 on the 2nd and 4th Sundays during the sermon for children ages 5-7.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Coffee Ministry. Calling all volunteers for the coffee/hospitality ministry! Please consider joining us in this important service opportunity. No prior experience is required and minimal training is needed. You can sign up through the link in the APC email. Contact Andrea Romyn, Hospitality Coordinator, at andrea.romyn@alexandriapres.org.

Nursery volunteers. Thanks to all of you who have faithfully volunteered for nursery duty. Serving in the nursery is a significant and meaningful way for the entire APC body to invest in raising our children for the Lord. However, we are still in need of additional volunteers. Would you please prayerfully consider serving in this ministry? Contact Erin Furgerson, Director of Children's Ministries, at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org.

PROTAS Teen Ministry. Please consider coming alongside teenagers in just one of the many different opportunities: PROTAS large group, our new upcoming Sunday morning "connect time" between services (2x per month), host or co-lead a regional discipleship group, come alongside just one teenager who needs a mentor, or introduce teenagers to Jesus through Young Life. Contact Adam LeRoy, Director of Youth Ministries, at adam.leroy@alexandriapres.org.

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.

CORPORATE PRAYER IN 2022

Every Sunday, 8am—Chapel & Zoom. Praying for our Worship Service.
Second Saturday of the month, 9am—Chapel & Google Meet. Praying with our Elders for our church.
Third Saturday of the month, 11am—Chapel & 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.

July 3, 2022

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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.

Please, no food or drink in the Sanctuary. Silence all cell phones and other electronic devices. A family-friendly area/cry room with a simulcast of the service is available in the Chapel.

Holy Worship Service

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

■ **prelude** | *Ben Elliott, Director of Music Ministries*

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

Hebrews 13:14-15

¹⁴For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. ¹⁵Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

■ songs of praise

Praise His Name (Psalm 148)

Reaches of heaven, starry heights
Lights of the evening, dancing in silent skies
Brilliance of morning, breaking day
O let them praise Him, praise His name

*O praise His name, O praise His name
Let all His wondrous works declare His praise*

Mightiest mountains, peaceful plains
Snowfall and fire, thundering ocean waves
Kings and their kingdoms, age to age
O let them praise Him, praise His name

King enthroned in majesty, all things made by His decree
Hear creation’s melody, “Praise Him! Praise Him!”
Everything with life and breath, everywhere from east to west
Every heart raised from the dead, praise Him, praise Him
Angels echo the refrain, “Jesus, Lamb for sinners slain!”
Name above all other names, praise Him

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Man of Sorrows! What a Name (Hallelujah What A Savior)

Man of sorrows! What a name
For the Son of God Who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude
In my place condemned He stood
Sealed my pardon with His blood:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we
Spotless Lamb of God was He
Full atonement! Can it be?
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die
“It is finished!” was His cry
Now in heav’n exalted high:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King
All His ransomed home to bring
Then anew this song we’ll sing:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

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■ prayer of adoration

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ **scripture reading** | *Ethan and Serenity Novak, Worship Assistant*

Romans 6

Dead to Sin, Alive to God

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

Slaves to Righteousness

¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

■ congregational prayer

■ **offertory prayer** | *Deacon Bruce Barham*

■ presentation of tithes and offerings

Here Is Love

Here is love vast as the ocean,
Loving-kindness as the flood,
When the Prince of Life our ransom
Shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
Throughout heav’n’s eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion
Fountains opened deep and wide;
Through the floodgates of God’s mercy
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love like mighty rivers
Poured incessant from above;
Heaven’s peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love.

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That same love beyond all measure,
Mocked and slain by hateful men,
Lives and reigns in resurrection
And can never die again.
Here is love for all the ages,
Radiant Sun of Heav’n He stands,
Calling home His Father’s children,
Holding forth His wounded hands.

Here is love vast as the heavens;
Countless as the stars above
Are the souls that He has ransomed,
Precious daughters, treasured sons.
We are called to feast forever
On a love beyond our time;
Glorious Father, Son, and Spirit
Now with man are intertwined.

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ **sermon scripture reading**

Galatians 5:1-15

Christ Has Set Us Free

¹For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

²Look: I, Paul, say to you that if you accept circumcision, Christ will be of no advantage to you. ³I testify again to every man who accepts circumcision that he is obligated to keep the whole law. ⁴You are severed from Christ, you who would be justified by the law; you have fallen away from grace. ⁵For through the Spirit, by faith, we ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. ⁶For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.

⁷You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth? ⁸This persuasion is not from him who calls you. ⁹A little leaven leavens the whole lump. ¹⁰I have confidence in the Lord that you will take no other view, and the one who is troubling you will bear the penalty, whoever he is. ¹¹But if I, brothers, still preach circumcision, why am I still being persecuted? In that case the offense of the cross has been removed. ¹²I wish those who unsettle you would emasculate themselves!

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

■ prayer for illumination

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

“True Freedom”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of response

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God’s love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

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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** | *Matt Coombs, Executive Director of Ministries*