

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting this evening at 5pm in the Sanctuary. Please plan to join us for this important meeting. We will review the completion of this year's budget, and announce the budget for the new fiscal year, which starts July 1. We will also discuss upcoming dates and information for the building move. Volunteers will be out on the playground during the meeting for kids ages 3-8 who would like to play outside. Join us after the meeting for ice cream sandwiches and fellowship on the front lawn!

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.

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.

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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** | *Praise Team*

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

Psalm 98:1-3

¹Oh sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things!
His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.
²The Lord has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
³He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.

■ **songs of praise**

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word
What more can He say than to you He has said
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed
For I am your God and will still give you aid
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand
Upheld by My righteous omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters I call you to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless
And sanctify to you your deepest distress

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all-sufficient shall be your supply
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to his foes
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake

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The Lord Is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me
And pulled me from the raging sea
And I am safe on this solid ground
The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls
His strength will help me scale these walls
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun
The Lord is my salvation

*Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love
My debt is paid and the victory won
The Lord is my salvation*

My hope is hidden in the Lord
He flow'rs each promise of His Word
When winter fades, I know spring will come
The Lord is my salvation

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■ **prayer of adoration**

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ **scripture reading** | *Elder Gary and Kathy McGee*

Psalm 107:1-22

Let the Redeemed of the Lord Say So

¹Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!

²Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
whom he has redeemed from trouble

³and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

⁴Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to a city to dwell in;

⁵hungry and thirsty,
their soul fainted within them.

⁶Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.

⁷He led them by a straight way
till they reached a city to dwell in.

⁸Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wondrous works to the children of man!

⁹For he satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

¹⁰Some sat in darkness and in the shadow of death,
prisoners in affliction and in irons,

¹¹for they had rebelled against the words of God,
and spurned the counsel of the Most High.

■ **farewell**

■ congregational prayer

■ **offertory prayer** | *Jackie McCauley*

■ **presentation of tithes and offerings** | *Adult Choir*

Lord, For the Years

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that Word, the Word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the Word, receive Your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

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At this time, children 5 years old through 2nd grade are dismissed for Children's Church. Parents: at the end of the service, please promptly pick up your child from the Children's Church Room.

■ **testimony: reflections on time at russell road** | *Elder Jim and Dorothy Taft*

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ **sermon scripture reading**

Deuteronomy 1:19-33

Israel's Refusal to Enter the Land

¹⁹Then we set out from Horeb and went through all that great and terrifying wilderness that you saw, on the way to the hill country of the Amorites, as the Lord our God commanded us. And we came to Kadesh-barnea. ²⁰And I said to you, 'You have come to the hill country of the Amorites, which the Lord our God is giving us. ²¹See, the Lord your God has set the land before you. Go up, take possession, as the Lord, the God of your fathers, has told you. Do not fear or be dismayed.' ²²Then all of you came near me and said, 'Let us send men before us, that they may explore the land for us and bring us word again of the way by which we must go up and the cities into which we shall come.' ²³The thing seemed good to me, and I took twelve men from you, one man from each tribe. ²⁴And they turned and went up into the hill country, and came to the Valley of Eshcol and spied it out. ²⁵And they took in their hands some of the fruit of the land and brought it down to us, and brought us word again and said, 'It is a good land that the Lord our God is giving us.'

²⁶Yet you would not go up, but rebelled against the command of the Lord your God. ²⁷And you murmured in your tents and said, 'Because the Lord hated us he has brought us out of the land of Egypt, to give us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us. ²⁸Where are we going up? Our brothers have made our hearts melt, saying, "The people are greater and taller than we. The cities are great and fortified up to heaven. And besides, we have seen the sons of the Anakim there."' ²⁹Then I said to you, 'Do not be in dread or afraid of them. ³⁰The Lord your God who goes before you will himself fight for you, just as he did for you in Egypt before your eyes, ³¹and in the wilderness, where you have seen how the Lord your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all the way that you went until you came to this place.' ³²Yet in spite of this word you did not believe the Lord your God, ³³who went before you in the way to seek you out a place to pitch your tents, in fire by night and in the cloud by day, to show you by what way you should go.

■ **prayer for illumination**

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

“Carried in His Arms”

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ **song of response**

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

*He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast*

Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

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■ **deacons' fund offering** | *Deacon Adam Barr*

■ **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*