

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Koinonia hike today at 2pm. Join us at Great Falls to enjoy a hike in this beautiful fall weather! We will be meeting outside the Visitor Center. **We also invite you to join us for a Koinonia Game Night October 15 at 6pm at APC.** Koinonia (coin-o-nea) is a ministry geared toward those in their 20s through to their 30s, designed to create connections between APC members and attendees who are at a similar stage of life. They meet monthly for a variety of social activities, including game nights and lunches after church. Koinonia also has a GroupMe (a free app that can be downloaded to your phone), which allows the members to connect with each other and invite others to hang out. If you would like to be added to the Koinonia GroupMe or official email list, please contact Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org.

In light of Columbus Day weekend, no evening activities will take place this evening.

Newcomer Reception in between worship services on Sunday, October 16. If you are new to APC, we would love the chance to get to know you and tell you more about APC. Join us in the Upper Level Adult Education Room in between worship services for a time of food and meeting other newcomers to APC, as well as staff and pastors.

Nominations for the Office of Elder and Deacon. You must 1) be a member to nominate, 2) ascertain the willingness of the individual to serve prior to submitting a nomination, and 3) nominate a man who has taken the required training class. Nomination forms are available at the table as you enter the building and may be submitted to any current elder or to Pastor Tom Holliday until October 23, or through the QR scan below. Men who have either taken or are currently taking the Spiritual Leadership Training Class and eligible for nomination are: Matt Brown, Rob Fisher, Owen Gentry, Mike Mazek, Pete Olsen, Christian Poole, Angel Tinev, Bryan Wittmeyer, Ben Youngquist. For re-election to the office of elder: Shant Boyajian and Ryan Furgerson.

The Congregational Meeting to elect officers and vote to update our church address for our bylaws will be Sunday, October 30 at 10:15am in between worship services.

Trunk or Treat on October 29 from 3:30-5pm. Come enjoy trunk or treating in the APC parking lot! If you aren't familiar with trunk or treating, think trick or treating from car to car with friends from APC. Feel free to bring your friends and invite your neighbors. This was a great outreach event to the community last year. Come with the kids in costume and bring a bag of candy to share from your car. Regardless of whether or not you have kids, we would love for you to come join the fun. Sign up to host a car or volunteer through the link in the APC email, or the QR scan below.

APC's Women's Ministry is considering the start of a Sewing Group to develop and grow the creative abilities of our members and friends, and enjoy fellowship together. Would you be interested in participating in an exploratory meeting to discuss what is of interest to you? Please come and bring your ideas on Saturday, November 5 from 9-10:30am. We would love to know your interest even if you are unable to attend this initial meeting. Please RSVP to Sue Edwards at sue.quilts6@gmail.com. It will be held at the church, and the room will be determined as we get closer to the date.

Thanksgiving Praise Service and Reception on Sunday, November 20 at 5pm. Everyone is invited to gather for a unique service of thanksgiving and praise, where individuals will have the opportunity to publicly give testimony to God's goodness throughout the year, or share a favorite passage with the congregation. This service has been an APC favorite for many years. Immediately following the service, we will enjoy a time of fellowship.



Giving at a Glance	YTD Giving (7/1/22-9/30/22)	\$410,260
	YTD Budget (7/1/22-9/30/22)	\$512,000
	Difference	-\$101,740 (80%)

NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Nursery Update. Nursery is located on the lower level. Nursery rooms available: 1 and under, 2, and 3&4.

Children's Church meets downstairs in the Children's Wing on the 2nd and 4th Sundays during the sermon for children 5 years old through 2nd grade.

CORPORATE PRAYER IN 2022

Every Sunday, 8:15am—Main Level Adult Education Room
Second Saturday of the month, 9am— Main Level Adult Education Room
Third Saturday of the month, 11am—Main Level Adult Education Room

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

Hospitality

This Week's Coffee Set Up: the Coombs family, Reb Maylum

Next Week's Coffee Set Up: Allison Bolling, the Gentry family

Nursery

This Week's 9am Service: Megan Barr, Tina Brady, Matt Brown,

John Connelly, Erin Furgerson, Evelyn Heil, Deborah Lockett

This Week's 11am Service: Hillary Capper, Sara Eppright, Sarah Field,

Erin Furgerson, Jenny and Abby McGahey, Allison Rivera

Next Week's 9am Service: Sarah Field, Abby Renenger,

Stephanie, Abbie, and Ellie Olsen, Staci Root, Rachel Sylvia, Traci Youngquist

Next Week's 11am Service: Kari Adams, Chester Hutchinson,

Megan Malone, Joe and Katie Mugg

Children's Church

This Week: Josh and Stacey Diack (9am and 11am)

A/V Team

This Week's Service: Liz Crowley, Lee Huntington, Brian Yoon

Ushers

For October: Mark Adams, Sue Edwards, Alex and Heidi Gesch,

Katty and Daniel Hoyle, Jim King, Jon Osborne

KEY EQUIPPING

During our Key Equipping time on Sunday evenings from 5-7pm, ministries are designed to equip all ages, from toddlers to seniors, to be disciples. A disciple is a follower and worshiper of Jesus. This is a life-long process of learning how to become more like our Lord.

Covenant Kids Ministry: Children 2 years old - 5th grade, Lower Level (Nursery for 1 & under)

We welcome children to learn foundational truths about God and the Gospel story. We experience what it looks like to love God and love others in community with our worship, small groups, teaching, games, fellowship, and dinner!

Contact: Erin Furgerson at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org.

PROTAS Youth Ministry: Teens 6th-12th grade, Upper Level

Connect each week in community with your peers — the schedule includes games, worship, small group discussions, a short devotion at a teen level, and dinner.

Contact: Adam LeRoy at adam.leroy@alexandriapres.org.

Foundational Track— "Biblical Theology", Beginning October 16

Led by Pastor Tom Holliday and Elder Jim Taft, Lower Level Adult Classroom (Room 007)

Did you know that the Bible is a story? Not just any story, but the best story ever told. Biblical Theology is looking at the Bible as God's story of how He fulfilled His promise of bringing redemption to a lost world through His Son, Jesus. Did you know Jesus is in the Old Testament in every story, not just in the gospels? Every story points to Jesus. This class is designed to show us Jesus as the focus of both the Old and the New Testaments. Theologians call this the redemptive-historical approach to Scripture. It can literally change your life when you start seeing Jesus as the focus of every story in the Bible. You may find yourself understanding and enjoying the Old Testament like never before. Our textbook will be "The Unfolding Mystery of the Old Testament", by Ed Clowney.

Topical Track— "Responding to Christ's Call", Beginning October 16

Led by Elder Aaron Renenger, Main Level Adult Classroom (Room 112)

What is Jesus calling you to? The answer is not primarily about what we will do for a living, who we will marry or where we will live. Rather, he is calling you to Himself. It is a totalizing call, an "unyielding command," according to Jack Miller, that "requires complete surrender to God of all that I am and have." In this course, based on Os Guinness's book, "The Call," we will explore what it means to live an integrated life responsive to Christ's call. Answering the call, explains Mr. Guinness, "will engage your loftiest thoughts, your most dedicated exertions, your deepest emotions, [and] all your abilities and resources, to the last step you take and the last breath you breathe."

Book of the Bible—"A Study on the Book of Galatians", Beginning October 16

Led by Elder Marc Allen, Conference Room (Room 114)

Commenting on Galatians, Martin Luther says: "The Gospel supplies the world with the salvation of Jesus Christ, peace of conscience, and every blessing. Just for that the world abhors the Gospel." Over seven weeks we will study Galatians' singular message of justification by faith in Christ Jesus alone. Bring your questions and your open heart. We can expect to be changed as we meet God's powerful Word in this epistle.

Spiritual Leadership Training, Led by Pastor Tom Holliday

Sundays through October 23: Upstairs Adult Classroom (Room 201);

Tuesdays through October 18: Conference Room (Room 114)

This class will focus on the essentials of a gospel leader. A gospel leader leads out of a gospel life of faith and repentance and gospel character. A gospel leader pays close attention to their heart and mind. We will address the renewing of our minds through our study of reformed theology and the devotion of our heart through readings that address the impact of our theology in our relationships. This class is open to all men and women in our church who desire to grow in their effectiveness as gospel leaders and is a prerequisite for all CFG leaders and men who intend to stand for the office of elder or deacon.

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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 other than water in the Sanctuary. Silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.

Holy Worship Service

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

■ prelude

■ gathering song

Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Hear the call of the Kingdom,
lift your eyes to the King;
let His song rise within you
as a fragrant offering
of how God, rich in mercy,
came in Christ to redeem
all who trust in His unfailing grace.

*King of Heaven, we will answer the call,
We will follow, bringing hope to the world,
Filled with passion,
filled with power to proclaim
Salvation in Jesus’ name.*

Hear the call of the Kingdom
to be children of light
with the mercy of heaven,
the humility of Christ,
walking justly before Him,
loving all that is right
that the life of Christ may shine through us.

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■ call to worship | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

Psalms 67:3-5

³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

Hear the call of the Kingdom
to reach out to the lost
with the Father’s compassion
in the wonder of the cross,
bringing peace and forgiveness,
and a hope yet to come;
Let the nations put their trust in Him.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND IN PRAISE

■ song of praise

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing *Trinity Hymnal #164*

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer’s praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of Thy name.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
’tis music in the sinner’s ears,
’tis life and health and peace.

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■ prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ scripture reading | Shannon Allen (9am); Christine Brittle (11am)

Hosea 2:14-23

The Lord’s Mercy on Israel

¹⁴“Therefore, behold, I will allure her,
and bring her into the wilderness,
and speak tenderly to her.

¹⁵And there I will give her her vineyards
and make the Valley of Achor a door of hope.

And there she shall answer as in the days of her youth,
as at the time when she came out of the land of Egypt.

¹⁶“And in that day, declares the Lord, you will call me ‘My Husband,’ and no longer will you call me ‘My Baal.’ ¹⁷For I will remove the names of the Baals from her mouth, and they shall be remembered by name no more. ¹⁸And I will make for them a covenant on that day with the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the creeping things of the ground. And I will abolish the bow, the sword, and war from the land, and I will make you lie down in safety. ¹⁹And I will betroth you to me forever. I will betroth you to me in righteousness and in justice, in steadfast love and in mercy. ²⁰I will betroth you to me in faithfulness. And you shall know the Lord.

²¹“And in that day I will answer, declares the Lord,
I will answer the heavens,
and they shall answer the earth,
²²and the earth shall answer the grain, the wine, and the oil,
and they shall answer Jezreel,
²³and I will sow her for myself in the land.
And I will have mercy on No Mercy,
and I will say to Not My People, ‘You are my people’;
and he shall say, ‘You are my God.’”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND IN PRAISE

■ song of praise

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood ‘neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more

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■ congregational prayer | Elder Jim Taft (9am); Elder Didier Balagizi (11am)

■ offertory prayer | Mike Powell, Pastoral Associate (9am); Rob Pittman (11am)

■ presentation of tithes and offerings

Christ Our Treasure

Lord, our feet have wandered all the earth unsatisfied
Drinking from a sea of emptiness has left us dry
So we turn our eyes to

*Christ our Treasure, there is none like You
Precious Jesus, there is none like You*

Living Water, Word of Life, You are forever true
Every blessing, joy abounding here in knowing You
So we fix our eyes on

Grace for the guilty, help for the needy
Jesus, You satisfy our souls
Strength for the weary, hope for the grieving
Jesus, You satisfy our souls
Healer of sickness, fountain of goodness
Jesus, You satisfy our souls
Faithful provider, gracious redeemer
Jesus, You satisfy our souls
Mighty in power, awesome in splendor
Jesus, You satisfy our souls
Author, Perfecter, Keeper, Sustainer
Jesus, You satisfy our souls

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Children ages 5 through 2nd grade are now dismissed for Children’s Church. Children should exit the Sanctuary using the door to the left of the stage.

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ sermon scripture reading

John 2:1-12

The Wedding at Cana

¹On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. ³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. ⁹When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” ¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

¹²After this he went down to Capernaum, with his mother and his brothers and his disciples, and they stayed there for a few days.

■ prayer for illumination

■ sermon | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

“The Extravagant Love of Jesus” *Sermon series: Portraits of Jesus*

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS TABLE

■ sacrament of the lord’s supper

Explanation, Invitation, Participation

All baptized Christians who are members in good standing of a church that proclaims the Gospel of Jesus Christ are invited to participate. Children who have been admitted into the church as communicant members are invited to participate as well. If you have any questions, please ask one of our pastors or elders.

9am service: Elders and deacons will distribute the elements to each pew.

11am service: Members will be invited to come forward to receive the bread and the cup. You will receive the elements from the pastors and elders standing up front in your section of the Sanctuary, and then take the bread and cup back to your seat. We will take the elements together as prompted by the pastor.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND IN PRAISE

■ song of response

O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus *Trinity Hymnal #535*

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me
is the current of Thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward
to Thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread His praise from shore to shore;
how He loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how He watches o’er His loved ones,
died to call them all His own;
how for them He intercedeth,
watcheth o’er them from the throne.

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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 | Rob Coit, Operations Manager (9am), Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor (11am)