

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pray with a Shepherd after worship.** After both services our shepherds will be waiting in the front of the Sanctuary to pray with anyone who would like prayer.

**Newcomer Reception in between worship services.** 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 Main Level Conference Room (Room 114) for a time of food and meeting staff and pastors.

**Thanksgiving Praise Service and Reception this evening 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 over hot cider, donuts, and pie! Please sign up to bring pie and/or donuts through the link in the APC email. **All children 5 and up are encouraged to join their parents for the service! Nursery will be available for children ages 4 and under. The Kindergarten/1st grade class will not be offered due to not having enough volunteers. Adults and teens willing to volunteer for nursery, please contact Erin at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org.**

**Adult and Teen Choir for Advent.** We invite joyful singers to join the Adult Choir for Lessons and Carols on December 17, as well as the four Sundays of Advent beginning on November 27! As we are not offering a dedicated teen choir this year, this is a great opportunity for teenagers as well as others who may not be able to commit to the choir regularly. Rehearsals occur on Wednesday nights from 7-8:30pm. Contact Ben at ben.elliott@alexandriapres.org for more info.

**Christmas Mart and Cookie Swap: Saturday, December 3 from 9-11 am in the Fellowship Hall.** Come "shop" our gently used Christmas decorations. Bring some cookies and go home with some cookies! Drop off your "still wonderful but no longer a part of your Christmas" decorations anytime during office hours on Wednesday November 30 or Thursday December 1. If you would like to participate in the cookie swap, please bring two dozen cookies to share. We will be collecting items for Casa Chirilagua that morning. RSVP through the link in the APC email.

**Children's Nativity Pageant at Lincolnia**—APC is hosting a Children's Nativity Pageant at Lincolnia on Saturday, December 10 from 1-3pm. Children and parents, join us for this special time! We will sing Christmas carols, hear a message from Pastor Tom, and distribute the gifts that have been collected for the seniors. Contact Jessica White at jessica@samwhite.com with questions. **Thank you to all who signed up so quickly to fulfill the Christmas wish list for our seniors! Please remember to bring in wrapped gifts by December 4.**

**On December 10 at 2pm, Koinonia is hosting a Christmas Party in the Fellowship Hall.** We will have a white elephant gift exchange, a gingerbread house decorating competition and an ugly sweater contest as well as other themed contests! Prizes will be available for the winners of all the competitions. Contact Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org with any questions.

**Join us for worship this Christmas season as we await the dawn of Christ's coming!**

**Advent Services:** November 27, December 4, 11, and 18

**Lessons and Carols Service: December 17 at 5pm.** Our special Christmas service, "Behold Our King" will take place on Saturday, December 17 at 5pm (prelude begins at 4:45pm). Join us as we await the coming of Christ and behold His beauty.

**Christmas Eve Service:** December 24 at 5pm

**Christmas Day Service:** December 25 at 5pm

**Call to Prayer— January 2022.** As we embark on a New Year, the elders invite you to join them in APC-wide prayer opportunities: Sunday, January 8 at 5pm, Wednesday, January 11 at 7:30pm; and Saturday, January 14 at 9am.

**Walking in the Spirit (WitS) begins January 15 from 5-7pm.** APC is offering a discipleship ministry called Walking in the Spirit (WitS), which will be led by Pastor Tom and Sharon Holliday. This is a 10 week in-depth study of the person and work of the Holy Spirit, which begins Sunday, January 15 and runs through April 2, with a break on February 19. The last week is a special banquet to end the course. Each class will consist of an hour of teaching followed by an hour of small group interaction, as well as reflection and homework during the week. Since each week builds upon the previous week, we ask that you commit to being present in at least 8 of the 10 weeks. Sign up through the link in the APC email or website.

**Newcomer Fellowship Dinner, Saturday, January 21, 6-8pm.** If you've been attending APC for one week or several months, please join us for food and fellowship. You'll have a chance to meet church officers and staff, ask questions and learn more about the ministry God is building here. Sign up through the link in the APC email or website. Location details will be forthcoming.

**The next Inquirers Class is February 3 and 4.** If you are interested in membership or in gaining a deeper understanding of APC, we invite you to attend this class. You will receive an introduction to Christianity, the PCA, and the specific vision/mission and philosophy of ministry at APC. It's also a great opportunity to meet other newcomers to the church, as well as pastors and staff! 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 through the link in the APC email or website. Questions: contact inquirers@alexandriapres.org.

## FURTHER OUT DATES

Baptisms	February 5
Women's Event with Abby Hutto via Zoom	February 10
All Church Dinner	February 25
Missions Dinner	March 25
All Church Retreat	May 5-7

## SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

Hospitality	<b>This Week's Coffee Set Up:</b> Owen and Lina Gentry, Emily Kerski <b>Next Week's Coffee Set Up:</b> the Allen family
Nursery	<b>This Week's 9am Service:</b> Didier Balagizi, Sarah Huntington, Drew and Sally Lindsay, Jackie McCauley, Tom Mood, Carmen Rives <b>This Week's 11am Service:</b> Christine and Kaitlyn Brittle, Jackie McCauley, Joey and Bailey Rolland, Angel Tinev <b>Next Week's 9am Service:</b> Maggie Coombs, Sharon Holliday, Nate Kinder, Jennifer Richter, Katy Rogers, Bryan and Stacy Wittmeyer <b>Next Week's 11am Service:</b> Matt Coombs, Rob Fisher, Sharon Holliday, Sam and Jessica White
Children's Church	<b>Next Week's 9am Service:</b> Mark and Kari Adams (9am); <b>Next Week's 11am Service:</b> Eli Kendrick and Athena Selim (11am)
A/V Team	<b>This Week's Service:</b> Maggie Coombs, Lee Huntington, Mike Mazek
Ushers	<b>For November:</b> Femi Adeniji, Andy, Kira, and Granville Allison, Adam Barr, William Marks, Sam White
Deacons on Duty	Bruce Barham, Aaron McCauley

## KEY EQUIPPING

**Key Equipping is not meeting November 20 in light of the Thanksgiving Service, or Novmeber 27 for Thanksgiving weekend.**

*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.*

## GIVING TUESDAY AND YEAR-END GIVING

**Giving Tuesday and Year-End gifts to APC.** As GivingTuesday approaches on November 29, many people are considering specific ways to give. We appreciate your prayerful consideration of APC and including us as part of your giving on this day! Additionally, as you plan a year-end gift to APC, keep in mind that the church office will be closed December 24-January 2, and the last worship service of the year is December 25 at 5pm. Gifts received in the mail the first week of January—if dated and postmarked in 2022—will be included in your 2022 year-end giving statement. You may also make your year-end gifts through APC's online giving portal thru December 31, 2022. In addition, if you would like to donate securities or stocks to APC's general fund, please contact Kathy Sens at kathy.sens@alexandriapres.org and she can give you the information needed to make a transfer. If you would like to donate a special year end gift, simply indicate this on your check and mail it to the APC office or put it in the offering box. You may also make your donation online. Thank you for considering APC in your Giving Tuesday and year-end planning.



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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

#### **Come, People of the Risen King**

Come, people of the Risen King, who delight to bring Him praise;  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him,  
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

*Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night;  
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land, men and women of the faith;  
Come, those with full or empty hands, find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing, shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age: “Our God is all in all!”

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

*1 Peter 2:9-10*

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

## 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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### ■ prayer of adoration

## GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

### ■ scripture reading | *Sarah Field (9am); Cynthia Oviatt (11am)*

*Luke 17:11-19*

#### **Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup>and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup>and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup>Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup>And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND IN PRAISE

### ■ song of praise

#### **My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness**

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain;  
Who plumed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again;  
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light  
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow’r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside;  
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly;  
Whose every promise is enough for every step I take,  
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above,  
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, Whose every thought is love.  
For every day I have on earth is given by the King;  
So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow Him.

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### ■ congregational prayer

### ■ offertory prayer

### ■ presentation of tithes and offerings

### ■ song of preparation

#### **Show Us Christ**

Prepare our hearts, O God  
Help us to receive  
Break the hard and stony ground  
Help our unbelief  
Plant Your Word down deep in us  
Cause it to bear fruit  
Open up our ears to hear  
Lead us in Your truth

*Show us Christ, show us Christ  
O God, reveal Your glory  
Through the preaching of Your Word  
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord*

Your Word is living light  
Upon our darkened eyes  
Guards us through temptations  
Makes the simple wise  
Your Word is food for famished ones  
Freedom for the slave  
Riches for the needy soul  
Come speak to us today

Where else can we go, Lord?  
Where else can we go?  
You have the words of eternal life

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## GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

### ■ sermon scripture reading

*Psalms 100*

#### **His Steadfast Love Endures Forever**

*A Psalm for giving thanks.*

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

<sup>2</sup>Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

<sup>3</sup>Know that the Lord, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup>Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

<sup>5</sup>For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

### ■ prayer for illumination

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

#### **“Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving”**

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND IN PRAISE

### ■ song of response

#### **10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)**

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul*

*Worship His holy name*

*Sing like never before, O my soul*

*I’ll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up, it’s a new day dawning  
It’s time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

You’re rich in love, and You’re slow to anger  
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near, and my time has come,  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

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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 (9am); Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor (11am)*