

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray with a Shepherd. After each of the services today, we will have shepherds waiting at the front of the Sanctuary. They would be delighted to pray with you about any topic!

Newcomer Reception. After the first service today, we will host a special Newcomer's reception in room 114. If you are relatively new to APC, we invite you to come and meet staff and other newcomers.

The Thursday Women's Bible studies invite our APC ladies to join us for a new study that started Thursday, January 5th. In keeping with our theme "Who Is This King of Glory?", we will take a look at Jesus in each of the four Gospels using Dane Ortlund's book *Surprised by Jesus*. The morning class meets weekly from 9:45-11:30 AM in the fellowship hall. Please let Lynn Streett (lynn.streett79@gmail.com) know if you need nursery care for your little ones. The Thursday evening class meets weekly via Zoom from 7:30-9 PM. Please RSVP to Megan Malone at megan.malone06@gmail.com in order to receive a link to the class. We look forward to having you join us!

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Supplication. This Sunday and next Sunday, there will be bulletin inserts for you to write down your prayers of Thanksgiving for God's blessings and work over the last year and your requests for what you would like to see God do this upcoming year. Please take the time to pray over what requests you should submit. On Sunday, January 29th, we will have a time during the service where you can submit your prayers. APC leadership will pray through each one. These requests will be confidential!

Communicants Class for Children and Teens ~ January '23: The class will likely be held on Thursdays from 4:30-5:30pm at APC and run for eight weeks starting January 19th. Parents, please talk with your child/teen and consider whether or not you think they are ready to join the church as a communicant member. To find out more information, preview the workbook, or sign up; please contact adam.leroy@alexandriapres.org.

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 or scan the QR code below. This will be held at APC in the Fellowship Hall. **Please sign up by January 18th.**

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 or scan the QR code below. For questions, please contact inquirers@alexandriapres.org.

Bridge Beginner Class starting in February: Do you want to learn how to play the card game Bridge, but are not sure how to get started? A class for beginners to learn the basics of Bridge will be offered starting February 7th, running 6 consecutive Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at the church. The class will be taught by our very own Lynette VanderSchaaf. If you want to participate in the class, please contact Sue Edwards at sue.quilts6@gmail.com. You do not have to have a partner. This is open to friends you want to introduce to our church. The class will focus on the basics, so it is not meant for experienced bridge players. It will be limited to 24 people (6 tables of four each). Attendance at all 6 classes is expected, because the fundamentals of the game build on what has been previously taught. After the class is completed, organized bridge nights will be planned, open to all levels of experience.

Nursery Volunteers: Please look for a link from Sign Up Genius this week to sign up for the next quarter of nursery. The open enrollment window is Jan.13th - 24th. Thank you for serving our church and telling the next generation about the glorious deeds of the Lord!

GIVING AT A GLANCE

YTD Giving (7/1/22 - 12/31/22)	\$1,143,501
YTD Budget (7/1/22 - 12/31/22)	\$1,218,000
Difference	- \$74,499 (94%)

SIMULCAST OPPORTUNITIES

We love families and are so glad you are here! If you need to leave the Sanctuary for any reason, we have a simulcast available in room 112 on the main level. We also have speakers in the lobby, so you will be able to see and hear the service from there.

There is a nursing mothers room downstairs in room 009 that also has a simulcast. To find room 009, please go down the stairs by the elevator and turn left at the bottom of the stairs. Room 009 is off the downstairs lobby.

FURTHER OUT DATES

Women's Event with Abby Hutto via Zoom	February 10
All Church Dinner	February 25
Baptisms	February 26
Missions Dinner	March 25
All Church Retreat	May 5-7

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

Hospitality	This Week's Coffee Set Up: John Connelly, Evan and Maureen Ward Next Week's Coffee Set Up: Allison Bolling, Evan and Maureen Ward
Nursery	This Week's 9am Service: Femi Adeniji, Sifa Balagizi, Daniel and Kimberly Parker, Renenger family This Week's 11am Service: Cindy Cai, Hillary Capper, Laurie and Mella LeRoy, Tom Mood, Athena Selim Next Week's 9am Service: Marc and Shannon Allen, Matt Brown, Maggie Coombs, Emily Kinch, Tom and Amanda Petelik, Traci Youngquist Next Week's 11am Service: Mark Adams, Jackie McCauley, Evan and Maureen Ward, Chris and Amy Weld
Children's Church	This Week's 9am Service: Amanda Leamer, Denise McMullen This Week's 11am Service: Erin Furgerson Next Week's 9am Service: Amanda Leamer, Denise McMullen Next Week's 11am Service: Erin Furgerson
A/V Team	This Week's Service: Chris Blackburn, Ethan Novak, Amanda Petelik
Ushers	For January: Femi Adeniji, Andy Allison, Kira Allison, Granville Allison, Adam Barr, William Marks, Sam White
Deacons on Duty	Owen Gentry, Bill Ward, Bryan Wittmeyer

KEY EQUIPPING

Key Equipping starts back tonight! This is a time set aside on Sunday evenings from 5-7pm to equip disciples of Jesus of all ages.

Covenant Kids: 0-5th grade; includes dinner

PROTAS: 6th-12th grade; includes dinner

Adult Classes:

Book of the Bible -- "God's Mercy and Faithfulness: A Study of the Book of Exodus" (Elder Shant Boyajian, Room 112)

The theologian Philip Graham Ryken describes Exodus as a "triumphant adventure" that brings us closer to God and his Son. The depiction of God's mercy and faithfulness to sinners throughout the book of Exodus presents a condensed picture of the gospel. This eleven-week discussion will examine God's holiness and covenantal love for his people. Please pray that the Spirit will lead our discussion and truly bring us closer to the God of the exodus and our Savior Jesus Christ through this study. This class is open to all adults.

Walking in the Spirit

This class is only open to those who registered.

Give to APC



APC Visitor Form



Newcomer Fellowship Dinner



Inquirers Class



All-Church Retreat Registration



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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, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing
Alleluia! Amen!
loud praise to Christ our King;
Alleluia! Amen!
let all, with heart and voice,
before His throne rejoice;
praise is His gracious choice.
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high,
Alleluia! Amen!
let praises fill the sky;
Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend;
to us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end.
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, sing of wondrous grace,
Alleluia! Amen!

■ call to worship | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

Psalms 96:1-3

Worship in the Splendor of Holiness

- ¹ Oh sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!
- ² Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- ³ Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

what love that took our place;
Alleluia! Amen!
Jesus the Lamb was slain,
bearing our sin and shame,
yet triumphed o'er the grave!
Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again,
Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain;
Alleluia! Amen!
on heaven's blissful shore,
His goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore,
"Alleluia! Amen!"

*Words by Christian Henry Bateman, 1843;
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GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN PRAISE

■ song of praise

Give to Our God Immortal Praise

Give to our God immortal praise; mercy and truth are all His ways:
wonders of grace to God belong; repeat His mercies in your song.

Give to the Lord of lords renown; the King of kings with glory crown:
His mercies ever shall endure, when lords and kings are known no more.

He built the earth, He spread the sky, and fixed the starry lights on high:
wonders of grace to God belong; repeat His mercies in your song.

He fills the sun with morning light; He bids the moon direct the night:
His mercies ever shall endure, when suns and moons shall shine no more.

He sent his Son with pow'r to save from guilt and darkness and the grave:
wonders of grace to God belong; repeat His mercies in your song.

Through this vain world He guides our feet, and leads us to His heav'nly seat:
His mercies ever shall endure, when this our world shall be no more.

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■ prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ scripture reading | Ben Youngquist (9am); Jessica White (11am)

Mark 9:2-13

² And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. ⁵ And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶ For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." ⁸ And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

⁹ And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. ¹⁰ So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead might mean. ¹¹ And they asked him, "Why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?" ¹² And he said to them, "Elijah does come first to restore all things. And how is it written of the Son of Man that he should suffer many things and be treated with contempt? ¹³ But I tell you that Elijah has come, and they did to him whatever they pleased, as it is written of him."

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN FAITH

■ the nicene creed

Please stand and read in unison.

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

■ song of praise

Glorious Christ

The radiance of the Father before the dawn of time
You spoke and all creation came to be
The molecules and planets reveal Your great design
And every one was made so we could see
So we could see

*You are the glorious Christ, the greatest of all delights
Your power is unequalled, Your love beyond all heights
No greater sacrifice than when You laid down Your life
We join the song of angels who praise You day and night
Glorious Christ*

You left the air of heaven to breathe the dust of earth
And dwell among the outcast and the poor
You came to be forsaken and died to take our curse
So You could be our joy forevermore
Forevermore

You're seated now in heaven, enthroned at God's right hand
You've shattered death and freed us from our fears
And though we cannot see You, You're coming back again
And all will be made right when You appear
And all will be made right when You appear

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■ congregational prayer | Elder Rob Fisher

■ offertory prayer | Sue Edwards (9am); Tom Tarrants (11am)

■ presentation of tithes and offerings

■ musical offering

Children ages 5-2nd grade are dismissed for Children's Church. Please exit the Sanctuary using the doors to the left of the stage.

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ sermon scripture reading

Pslam 96

Worship in the Splendor of Holiness

- ¹ Oh sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!
- ² Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- ³ Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- ⁴ For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.
- ⁵ For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the Lord made the heavens.
- ⁶ Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- ⁷ Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!
- ⁸ Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!
- ⁹ Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth!
- ¹⁰ Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity."
- ¹¹ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- ¹² let the field exult, and everything in it!
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
- ¹³ before the Lord, for he comes,
for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness,
and the peoples in his faithfulness.

■ prayer for illumination

■ sermon | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

“Worship to the Glory of God”

Series: To the Glory of God

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN PRAISE

■ song of response

Agnus Dei

Alleluia, alleluia
for the Lord God Almighty reigns!
Alleluia, alleluia
for the Lord God Almighty reigns!
Alleluia

*Holy, holy are You Lord God Almighty!
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb
You are holy, holy are You Lord God Almighty!
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb
Amen*

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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