

**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

For events, please sign up through the QR codes or on the APC website!

**Today is the last day to register for Vacation Bible School!** Join us June 19-23 from 9:15–11:30am for *Babylon: Daniel's Courage in Captivity*. VBS is for rising kindergarteners through rising 5th graders. Please sign up by the end of today through the QR code or on the APC website.

If you've signed up but haven't yet received the music, please stop by the nursery check-in desk to pick up a CD or digital download.

**Volunteers are still needed!** Email Erin at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org.

**Summer Schedule.** Tonight is the final Key Equipping before we break for summer, however we look forward to staying connected as a church family through various studies and events listed below! Please also note that we will continue to offer both 9am and 11am worship services throughout summer.

**Save the Date: Women's Summer Bible Study!** Women of APC, please join us as we study the book of Ruth this summer. We will meet every Wednesday from 7-8:30pm. Be on the lookout for more details, along with a sign up!

**APC Year-Round Choir for 2nd-8th graders.** The Music Ministry is strongly considering offering a Youth Choir that will meet throughout the ministry year (September through April.) If you have a child/children in rising 2nd-8th grades, please scan the QR code to find more details and a survey to indicate your interest and ability to commit to such a group. Contact Ben and Serenity at music@alexandriapres.org with additional questions.

**Next Baptism is Sunday, June 18.** If you would like to have your child or children baptized, please send an email to Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org.

**Come cheer on our APC softball team!** Games are played at Hensley Field, 4200 Eisenhower Ave, Alexandria, VA 22303. Come watch the last game: Mon 06/19/2023 7:45pm

**Congregational Meeting on Sunday, July 9 at 5pm.** 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. Plan to stay afterward for ice cream and fellowship!

**Installation Service and Reception for Pastor Joel on July 16 at 5pm.** As we welcome Joel Acevedo as APC's Pastor of Mercy and International Outreach, please join us for a special installation service and reception! We look forward to Joel and his wife Gladys joining us in July.

**Men and high school boys of APC, mark your calendars for a lunch together on July 22.** More details, along with a sign up, will be coming soon.

<b>Giving at a Glance</b>	YTD Giving (7/1/22-5/31/23)	\$2,064,834
	YTD Budget (7/1/22-5/31/23)	\$2,215,000
	Difference	- \$150,166 (93%)

**CORPORATE PRAYER IN 2023**

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

**SIMULCAST OPPORTUNITIES**

We love families and are so glad you are here! If you need to leave the Sanctuary for any reason, a simulcast is 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. The Nursing Mothers Room is downstairs in Room 009, and 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.

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**SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS**

- Hospitality** *This Week's Coffee Set Up:* the Coombs family  
*Next Week's Coffee Set Up:* the Kinder family  
**This Week's 9am Service:** Femi Adeniji, Chase and Mary Lou Chesser, Catherine Marks, Amy Murr, Jeremy and Staci Root, Evan and Maureen Ward  
**This Week's 11am Service:** Matti Jamison, Dan and Kathryn Johnson, Drew and Sally Lindsay, KayCee Poole  
**Next Week's 9am Service:** Tina Brady, Juliet Edem, Nathan and Amanda Leamer, Katy Rogers, Susanna Root, Doug Shipley, Margaret Veenstra  
**Next Week's 11am Service:** Matt, Carrie, and Millie Brown, Jon and Laura Erickson, Staci Root
- Children's Church** **This Week's 9am Service:** Chris and Amy Weld  
**This Week's 11am Service:** Ryan and Erin Furgerson
- A/V Team** **This Week:** Eli Kendrick, Abby McGahey, Pete Olsen
- Ushers for June** Mark Adams, Christian and Connor Brittle, Sue Edwards, Rick Eppright, Brian Field, Alex and Heidi Gesch, Katty and Daniel Hoyle, Mike Mazek, Jonathon Osborne
- Deacons on Duty** Owen Gentry, Aaron McCauley

**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.

**Adult Classes**  
**Topical**—"God's Glory in Missions", Led by Elder Rob Fisher, Room 114. "Missions is not the ultimate goal of the church. Worship is. Missions exist because worship doesn't."—John Piper. Many of us have heard this quoted before. In this study of missions using Piper's book, *Let the Nations be Glad! The Supremacy of God in Missions*, we will explore and seek to be transformed by God's zeal for His own Glory as it is expressed in bringing people from every tribe, nation and tongue to extol His greatness. Copies of the book are available at no cost on a first come first served basis.

**Foundational**—"How to Read the Bible", Led by Pastor Josh Diack, Room 112. The task of reading and understanding the Bible has and continues to be met with strong headwinds. The headwinds, rather than discouraging us, show us the value of the task—to know and study the Bible faithfully and dependently, and in so doing to "taste and see" Christ clothed in its pages.

**Book of the Bible**—"Ezra—Rebuilding the Temple and Recognizing God's Voice in the Midst of Hardship, Opposition, and Disappointment", Led by Elder Bryant Street, Room 201. This class will look at the return of the Jewish exiles from Babylon in its historical context and in the context of prophesy by Daniel, Haggai, and Zechariah.



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

### ■ call to worship | *Ben Elliott, Director of Music Ministries*

*Psalm 16:7-11*

Leader: <sup>7</sup>I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;  
in the night also my heart instructs me.

**All: <sup>8</sup>I have set the Lord always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

Leader: <sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;  
my flesh also dwells secure.

**All: <sup>10</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,  
or let your holy one see corruption.**

Leader: <sup>11</sup>You make known to me the path of life;

**All: in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of praise

#### 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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### ■ prayer of adoration | *Josh Diack, Pastor of Congregational Life and Missions*

## GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

### ■ scripture reading | *Lynn Streett (9am); Ryan Furgerson (11am)*

*Ezekiel 34:1-6, 11-16, 30-31*

The word of the Lord came to me: “Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy, and say to them, even to the shepherds, Thus says the Lord God: Ah, shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fat ones, but you do not feed the sheep. The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the injured you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with force and harshness you have ruled them. So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd, and they became food for all the wild beasts. My sheep were scattered; they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. My sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with none to search or seek for them.

**People: Lord of all creation, we confess that Your condemnation is just. Like poor shepherds, we feed ourselves and fail to meet the needs of those around us. Like wandering sheep, we stray from Your path to follow idols that cannot deliver on their promises. We need a greater Shepherd to rescue us.**

“For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

**People: God of mercy, thank You for Your relentless pursuit of Your sheep. Thank You for Jesus the Good Shepherd, Who with His blood has purchased and preserved the rich pastures that You lavish upon Your people. May our hearts be forever strengthened and satisfied by Your steadfast love.**

And they shall know that I am the Lord their God with them, and that they, the house of Israel, are my people, declares the Lord God. And you are my sheep, human sheep of my pasture, and I am your God, declares the Lord God.”

**People: Gracious Father, we entrust our lives to You; incline our hearts to Your goodness. Teach us to trust Your provision, accept Your correction, seek Your guidance, and long for Your glorious appearing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of praise

#### The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me,  
and on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death’s dark vale I will not fear, with Thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread’st a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;  
and O, what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.

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### ■ farewell | *Hutchinson and Kirk families (11am)*

### ■ missions update | *Leslie Bridge, Regional Training Director, Cru Leadership Development Team*

### ■ congregational prayer | *Elder Jim Taft*

### ■ offertory prayer | *Stacy Wittmeyer (9am); Becca Arango (11am)*

### ■ presentation of tithes and offerings

### ■ song of preparation

#### O Wondrous Love

O wondrous love that will not let me go,  
I cling to You with all my strength and soul;  
yet if my hold should ever fail,  
this wondrous love will never let me go.

O wondrous love that’s come to dwell in me;  
Lord, who am I that I should come to know  
Your tender voice assuring me?  
This wondrous love will never let me go.

*I’m resting in the everlasting arms,  
in the ever faithful heart, the Shepherd of my life.  
You’ll carry me on Your mighty wings of grace,  
keeping me until the day I look into Your eyes.*

O wondrous love that sings of Calvary,  
the sweetest sound this sinner’s ever known,  
the song of Your redeeming Son  
Whose wondrous love will never let me go.

O wondrous love that rushes over me,  
I can’t escape this river’s glorious flow;  
You overwhelm my days with good;  
Your wondrous love will never let me go.

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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 10:1-21*

#### I Am the Good Shepherd

<sup>1</sup>“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup>But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” <sup>6</sup>This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So Jesus again said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. <sup>11</sup>I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

<sup>19</sup>There was again a division among the Jews because of these words. <sup>20</sup>Many of them said, “He has a demon, and is insane; why listen to him?” <sup>21</sup>Others said, “These are not the words of one who is oppressed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?”

### ■ prayer for illumination

### ■ sermon | *Josh Diack, Pastor of Congregational Life and Missions*

**“I Am the Good Shepherd”** *Sermon series: I Am: The Identity of Jesus*

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of response

#### Jesus, Thank You

The myst’ry of the cross I cannot comprehend  
The agonies of Calvary  
You, the perfect Holy One, crushed Your Son  
Who drank the bitter cup reserved for me

*Your blood has washed away my sin— Jesus, thank You  
The Father’s wrath completely satisfied— Jesus, thank You  
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table— Jesus, thank You*

By Your perfect sacrifice I’ve been brought near  
Your enemy You’ve made Your friend  
Pouring out the riches of Your glorious grace  
Your mercy and Your kindness know no end

Lover of my soul, I want to live for You  
Lover of my soul, I want to live for 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 | *Serenity Novak, Worship Assistant*