

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Vacation Bible School registration is OPEN! Join us June 19-23 from 9:15–11:30am for *Babylon: Daniel's Courage in Captivity*. Registering your rising kindergarteners through rising 5th graders early is very helpful! Please sign up by June 11 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 for digital download.

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

The deacons have been assisting an immigrant family and are looking for a four month housing solution. The family consists of 1 mother (about 30 yrs old), 1 mother-in-law, and 3 children ages 2, 3, and 12. The mother speaks some English but is more fluent in French, although French is a secondary language for her. A two bedroom situation would be ideal. If you are willing to assist or have questions, please email no later than Monday June 5th: bryan.wittmeyer@alexandriapres.org; bill.ward@alexandriapres.org; pete.olsen@alexandriapres.org.

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! All games are played at Hensley Field, 4200 Eisenhower Ave, Alexandria, VA 22303. Check out the schedule of remaining games for this season:
Mon 06/05/2023 6:30pm
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.

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:* Mary Lou Chesser, Juan and Consuelo Rosas
Next Week's Coffee Set Up: the Coombs family
- Nursery** *This Week's 9am Service:* Kari Adams, Christine and Kaitlyn Brittle, Amy Douglass, Serenity Novak, Tommy and Emily Ribaric, Stephen Sylvia
This Week's 11am Service: Sifa Balagizi, Flora Chipana, Joey and Bailey Rolland, Athena Selim, Stephen Sylvia
Next Week's 9am Service: Femi Adeniji, Chase and Mary Lou Chesser, Catherine Marks, Amy Murr, Jeremy and Staci Root, Evan and Maureen Ward
Next Week's 11am Service: Matti Jamison, Dan and Kathryn Johnson, Drew and Sally Lindsay, KayCee Poole
- 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:* Chris Blackburn, Liz Crowley, Wayne Folta, Chris McGahey, Joshua Youngquist
- 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.

APC Visitor Form



Give to APC



Choir for 2nd - 8th graders



VBS Registration



Volunteer at Lincolnian



unchanging truth. changing lives

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*

John 1:14,16

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. ¹⁶For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of praise

Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, Thou almighty King, help us Thy name to sing; help us to praise.
Father all-glorious, o’er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou incarnate Word, gird on Thy mighty sword; our prayer attend.
Come and Thy people bless, and give Thy Word success,
and let Thy righteousness on us descend.

*All glory be to the Father, all glory be to the Son,
All glory be to the Spirit, the blessed Three in One.*

Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour!
Thou, Who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne’er from us depart, Spirit of pow’r.

To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be hence evermore!
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

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prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

scripture reading

Exodus 3:1-15

The Burning Bush

¹Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³And Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.” ⁴When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” ⁵Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” ⁶And he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” ¹¹But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” ¹²He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

¹³Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” ¹⁴God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I am has sent me to you.’” ¹⁵God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

confession of sin

All: Our Holy and Merciful Father, we confess that we are not worthy of Your presence, but we come to You through the worthiness of Jesus Christ. Though our sins merit Your condemnation, because of the offering of His life we are not consumed by Your righteous judgment. Cleanse us from our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You a present source of peace and strength, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

assurance of pardon

Hebrews 10:19-23

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

song of assurance

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea—
a great High Priest, Whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav’n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,
for God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by His blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high with Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and my God.

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congregational prayer

offertory prayer

presentation of tithes and offerings

offertory | *Adult Choir (9am)*

Depth of Mercy

Depth of mercy! Can there be mercy still reserved for me?
Can my God His wrath forbear? Me, the chief of sinners, spare?

There for me the Savior stands, holding forth His wounded hands:
God is love! I know, I feel; Jesus weeps, and loves me still.

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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 6:22-40

I Am the Bread of Life

²²On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” ²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of

God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³²Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

prayer for illumination

sermon | *Mike Powell, Pastoral Associate*

“I Am the Bread of Life” *Sermon series: I Am: The Identity 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 row.

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.

communion song

Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small;
child of weakness, watch and pray; find in me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain; He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find— Thy power, and Thine alone,
can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

O, praise the One Who paid my debt and raised this life up from the dead!

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GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of response

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior; precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men

*You are the One that we praise; You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for*

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost our way
Oh, we’ve hopelessly lost our way

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne
Oh, we’re falling before Your 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 | *Matt Coombs, Executive Director of Ministries*