

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

20s and 30s of APC, please join us for a lunch after the second service today! We will plan on meeting at the Quarter Market, a food hall in Ballston, which is about 15 min. away from APC. For more information, please reach out to Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org.

Key Equipping kicks off this evening from 5-7pm! Check out the course offerings under the Key Equipping section of this bulletin. Covenant Kids is still in need of additional leaders! Please email Erin Furgerson at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org if you are interested in serving.

Register for Youth Choir! The APC Youth Choir (2nd-8th grade) meets Thursdays from 5-6pm in the Fellowship Hall beginning September 7. Registration for the fall semester is now open via the QR code. Please contact Ben and Serenity at music@alexandriapres.org with any questions.

Hot Dog and Ice Cream Social, Sunday, September 3, 5pm. We are excited to come together as an APC family with a hot dog and ice cream social in the church parking lot! **Volunteers needed.** Please sign-up using the QR code or the link found in the APC email.

Spiritual Leadership Training Class begins Tuesday, September 5, 7:30pm. If you are interested in studying the subject of leadership in the church, we invite you to attend this 7-week class. It is open to all adults who desire to serve in a leadership capacity working with children, youth, CFGs, men's and women's ministries, missions, etc. This class is also required for any man willing to consider being nominated in the future for the office of elder or deacon. While taking the class is a prerequisite for becoming an elder or deacon, it does not obligate you to stand for election. The class is also required for any woman considering appointment as a deaconess. Email Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org if you wish to attend.

Women's Thursday morning and Thursday evening Bible studies begin September 7. The theme for the coming year for the Thursday Bible study is HOPE. Both studies will read Nancy Guthrie's *The Promised One* from her *Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament* series. The Thursday morning group meets weekly from 9:45-11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Nursery is provided. **The Thursday evening group will be hybrid,** meeting in person at the church the first Thursday of each month and continuing on Zoom the remaining Thursdays of each month from 7- 8:30pm. **Please RSVP to Lynn Streett at lynn.streett79@gmail.com for both studies!**

Newcomer Fellowship Dinner on Saturday, September 9, 6pm. 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.

Covenant Fellowship Groups (CFGs). At APC, we see CFGs as a key vehicle for promoting Gospel-centered community. CFGs are small groups that meet regularly in various locations for teaching, prayer, and fellowship. Many groups are on summer break, however the fall is a great time to join. **On September 10, we will have a CFG Meet and Greet between worship services (10:20-10:50am) where you will have the opportunity to meet CFG leaders and be provided with all the current details.** If you have any questions in the meantime, contact Pastor Josh Diack at josh.diack@alexandriapres.org. **We are in need of additional CFG leaders.** CFG leaders are required to either have taken or be currently taking the Leadership Training class, which will be offered in the fall on Tuesday evenings. Contact Pastor Josh if you are interested!

APC Women's Conference: Unwavering Hope. Join us on September 16th from 9am-3:30pm for our women's conference with guest speaker Judie Puckett! Judie is the Director of Spiritual Formation for Women at Chapelgate Presbyterian Church in Marriottsville, MD. The cost is \$15 per person. If you are interested in a scholarship, please email Lynn Street at lynn.streett@gmail.com. Please sign up by September 13th through the QR code or APC website!

Women's Friday Bible Study begins September 22. Ladies, join us for 7 alternating Fridays from 9:45-11:30am beginning September 22 and meeting every other week at the church. We will use Nancy Guthrie's *The Wisdom of God: Seeing Jesus in the Psalms and Wisdom Books*. Childcare is available. Please order your book ahead of time. Free copies will also be available for those who need one. Contact Ruth Fisher at ruth.fisher@hotmail.com or Amy Weld at amyhweld@gmail.com to let us know you are coming and if you need childcare.

The next Inquirers Class is September 29 and 30. 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.

Newcomer
Dinner



Inquirers
Class



Hot Dog and
Ice Cream Social



Women's
Conference



SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

Hospitality

This Week's Coffee Set Up: The Schad family

Next Week's Coffee Set Up: Allison Bolling, Andrew Hobold

Nursery

This Week's 9am Service: Maggie Coombs, John Connelly, Rob Fisher, Owen Gentry, Ann Howley, Susanna Root, Doug Shipley, Rachel Sylvia

This Week's 11am Service: Christine and Zachary Brittle, Matt, Carrie, and Millie Brown, Athena Selim, Margaret Veenstra

Next Week's 9am Service: Mark Adams, Jamie Connelly, Matti Jamison

Nathan and Amanda Leamer, Amy Murr, Carmen Rives

Next Week's 11am Service: Marc, Shannon, and James Allen, Caitlin Jolly, Serenity Novak

Children's Church

This Week's 9am Service: Mark and Kari Adams, Chase and Mary Lou Chesser

This Week's 11am Service: Ryan and Erin Furgerson

A/V Team

This Week: Chris Blackburn, Ethan Novak, Bailey Rolland

Greeters

This Week's 9am Service: Tina Brady, Matt Coombs, Jim and Jo Ann Kottkamp

This Week's 11am Service: Marc, Shannon, James, and Sarah Allen, Pierre Jolly, Rachel Veenstra

Ushers

This Week's 9am service: Mark Adams, Sue Edwards, Alex and Heidi Gesch, Katty and Daniel Hoyle, Jonathon Osborne

This Week's 11am service: Christian and Connor Brittle, Mike Mazek, Rick Eppright

Deacons on Duty

Bill Ward, Angel Tinev, Stephen Sylvia

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!

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.

Adult Classes

Exploring our Theology, led by Pastors Josh Diack and Mike Powell, Room 114. Any time we think about a teaching of the Bible and strive to understand it, we are engaging in theology. In this sense, everyone is a theologian. Theology has a direct impact on our life and relationship to God. Join Pastors Josh and Mike in this core theology class as we focus on the biblical teachings of God and Scripture.

Key Pillars of a Gospel Marriage, led by Pastor Tom Holliday, Room 201. This class will address the purpose, the mystery, and the meaning of marriage. We will discuss key pillars of a gospel marriage such as intimacy, communication, and conflict. The class discussions will draw from books on the subject Pastor Tom has found helpful, such as the Meaning of Marriage by Tim and Kathy Keller, the Mystery of Marriage by Mike Mason, and Each for the Other by Bryan Chapell.

Genesis, led by Aaron Renenger, Room 112. From creation to the fall, from Abraham to Joseph, the Book of Genesis is the story of God and his people—a story that finds its ultimate fulfillment in Christ. To study Genesis is to study God's character as revealed in creation and in his covenant love for his rebellious, sinful people. It is also to study our own character—full of sin and faith and doubt—as displayed in the page-turning narratives of some of the most famous, and famously-flawed, biblical characters.

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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.

APC
Visitor Form



Give
to APC



Sign up for
Youth Choir



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 | *Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor*

Isaiah 6:1-3

Leader: ¹In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ²Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one called to another and said:

All: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of praise

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name (*Trinity Hymnal* #296, vv. 1-3, 5-6)

All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Crown Him, ye martyrs of your God who from His altar call; extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown Him Lord of all; extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel’s chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all; hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball to Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all; to Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall; we’ll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all; we’ll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.

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■ prayer of adoration

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS AND RECEIVE ASSURANCE

■ scripture reading | *Josh Diack, Pastor of Congregational Life and Missions*

Isaiah 6:4-7

Leader: ⁴And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

All: Lord, we come this morning acknowledging that our words have been tainted with impurity, arising from an unclean heart. We grieve that our lips have been moved to tear down rather than to build up. In our interactions with others we have too often spoken with arrogance rather than gentleness and an openness to reason. The fruit of our lips have left others hurt rather than helped, confused and darkened rather than enlightened, empty instead of full of mercy. Please cleanse us deep within, sprinkle our consciences with your blood that we may be pure. Grant us to be more attuned to your lowly and gentle voice and lead us to use our speech with wisdom from above.

(Moment of Silence)

Leader: ⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of praise

The King in All His Beauty

O lift your eyes to heaven, see the Holy One eternal; behold the Lord of Majesty exalted in His temple. As symphonies of angels’ praise now strain to sound His glory, come worship, fall before His grace, the King in all His beauty.

How worthy, how worthy, how worthy the King in all His beauty.

Now see the King who wears a crown, one made of shame and splinters; the sacrifice for ruined man, the substitute for sinners. As Earth is stained with royal blood, and quakes with love and fury, He breathes His last and bows His head, the King in all His beauty.

Now see the Savior lifted up, the Lamb who reigns in splendor, the hope of every tribe and tongue; His kingdom is forever! Bring praise and honor to His courts, bring wisdom, power, blessing; for endless ages we’ll adore the King in all His beauty.

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■ missions partner update | *Elder Didier Balagizi*

■ congregational prayer

■ offertory prayer | *Jeff Fearon (9am); Jonathan Williams (11am)*

■ presentation of tithes and offerings

Children ages 5 through 2nd grade are now invited to continue worship in 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

Acts 2:42-47

The Fellowship of the Believers

⁴²And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

■ prayer for illumination

■ sermon | *Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor*

“Worship—Gather and Scatter”

Sermon series: Serving our City and our World

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of response

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place (*Trinity Hymnal* #469)

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors, while everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast, each of us cry, with thankful tongues, "Lord, why was I a guest?

"Why was I made to hear Thy voice, and enter while there's room, when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in; else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come; send Thy victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see Thy churches full, that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing Thy redeeming grace.

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■ deacons’ fund offering | *Deacon Stephen Sylvia*

■ commitment and dismissal

Isaiah 6:8

Leader: ⁸And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?”

All: Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.”

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 | *Elder Matt Coombs, Executive Director of Ministries*