

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VBS Registration will open Friday, May 17th!** On Sunday, **May 19th**, Erin Furgerson, Director of Children's Ministries, will be in the fellowship hall between services to register children and volunteers. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Erin at [erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org](mailto:erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org).

**Deadline to Sign Up for the Short-term trip to Japan is today.** This missions opportunity is a short-term trip to Japan from November 8th through 16th. We are being asked if we could help support and serve the region through a leadership development and church planting conference. The aim is to help run a VBS with children of registrants, engage relationally with teens of missionary families and church planters, and to help with conference event needs. The anticipated attendance is 600-700 people and serves many in the region through plenary sessions, workshops, and opportunities to fellowship. If you have any further questions, please contact Pastor Josh at [josh.diack@alexandriapres.org](mailto:josh.diack@alexandriapres.org).

**Newcomer Fellowship Dinner is Saturday, May 18th, 6pm.** A few weeks before our inquirers class, we will be hosting a newcomer dinner. 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.

**The next Inquirers Class is May 31st and June 1st!** 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.

**Spanish Worship Service Sunday, May 26th, at 5pm in Room 201.** Join us for a time of singing, prayer, and a sermon—all in Spanish. This monthly worship service is led by Joel Acevedo, APC's Pastor of International Outreach and Mercy. Help us spread the word by inviting friends and neighbors, and join us in prayer as we seek to glorify Christ through this time of worship.

**The next baptism is Sunday, June 16th.** If you would like to have your child or children baptized, please send an email to Bailey Rolland at [bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org](mailto:bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org).

**Women's Thursday Bible studies.** Ladies, as we continue with our theme of Unfailing Hope, we invite you to pray about joining the Thursday women's Bible study. We are going through the book of Philippians using Melissa Kruger's study *In All Things*. Joy is what we are made for. How can we find it? Only by knowing the One who considered it a joy to save us! The morning study meets weekly from 9:45-11:30am. Childcare is provided. The evening study is a hybrid class: the first Thursday of each month we meet in person and the remaining weeks we meet via Zoom, from 7-8:30pm. Please RSVP to Lynn Streett at [lynn.streett79@gmail.com](mailto:lynn.streett79@gmail.com) in order to receive the Zoom link or if you have any questions.

## GIVING AT A GLANCE

July 1-April 30, 2024

Giving: \$2,115,951

Budget: \$2,171,000

Difference: \$55,049

Percentage: 97.5%

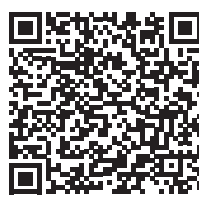
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## SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

### Hospitality Nursery

**This Week:** PROTAS

**This Week (9am):** Tina Brady, Mary Lou and Chase Chesser, Alex Gesch, Abigail and Ellie Olsen, Juliana Richardson, Jeremy Root, Doug Shipley, Bethany Tinev

**This Week (11am):** Carmen Rives, Ben and Kimberly Signer, Bethany Tinev, Amy and Sam Weld

**Next Week (9am):** Mark and Luke Adams, Ryan Douglass, Sarah Huntington, Patricia Kodjo, Jackie McCauley, Amy and Anna Grace Murr, McKinzie, Anna, Joe, and Paul Newman, Thomas Ribaric, Justin Wells-Morgan, Bethany Tinev, and Bryan Wittmeyer

**Next Week (11am):** Rick and Sara Eppright, Laurie and Mella Leroy, Tom Mood, Bailey and Joey Rolland, Stacy Root.

### Children's Church

**9am:** Bryant and Lynn Streett, Tom and Amanda Petelik

**11am:** Ryan and Erin Furgerson

### Tech Team

Lee Huntington, Sam White, Collin White

### Greeters

**9am:** Ryan Furgerson, Ariel Sanchez and Gladys Monroy, Amy and Chris Weld

**11am:** Allen Family, Pierre Jolly

### Ushers

**9am:** Andy Allison, Kira Allison, Granville Allison, Edwin Gentry, Patricia Kodjo, Will Marks, Janice Nichols, Jo Porwoll

## KEY EQUIPPING

In light of Mother's Day, there will be no Sunday evening Key Equipping.

Key Equipping will resume May 19th for all ages.

**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.

### Adults

Adult Key Equipping classes have finished, but the equipping will continue, including the following opportunities:

Prayer Meeting, May 19th (Evangelism Focused)

Spanish Service, May 26th.

Shepherding Large Group, June 2nd.

Prayer Meeting, June 9th

May 12, 2024

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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.

# Holy Worship Service

## GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

### ■ prelude

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

*Psalm 110:1-3*

A Psalm of David

Leader: <sup>1</sup>The Lord says to my Lord:

**All:    “**Sit at my right hand,  
until I make your enemies your footstool.**”**

Leader: <sup>2</sup> The Lord sends forth from Zion  
your mighty scepter.

Rule in the midst of your enemies!

**All:    <sup>3</sup> **Your people will offer themselves freely  
on the day of your power,  
in holy garments;  
from the womb of the morning,  
the dew of your youth will be yours****

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of praise

#### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne;

Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.

Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;

Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;

Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how—

though the cloud from sight received Him when the forty days were o’er,

shall our hearts forget His promise, “I am with you evermore”?

Alleluia! King eternal, Thee the Lord of lords we own;

Alleluia! born of Mary, earth Thy footstool, heav’n Thy throne;

Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth’s Redeemer, plead for me

where the songs of all the faithful sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne;

Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.

Hark! the songs of holy Zion thunder like a mighty flood;

Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by His blood.

*Words by William Chatterton Dix, 1866; Music HYFRYDOL by Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1855; © Public Domain; CCLI Song # 802788*

### ■ song of praise

#### Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at His voice;

all creation rises to rejoice.

*Behold our God, seated on His throne—come let us adore Him!*

*Behold our King; nothing can compare— come let us adore Him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?

Who can question any of His Words?

Who can teach the One who knows all things?

Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands,

bearing all the guilt of sinful man?

God eternal, humbled to the grave;

Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

You will reign forever! (Let Your glory fill the earth!)

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### ■ prayer of adoration

## GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ **scripture reading** | *Stacey Diack and Sarah Field (9am);  
Staci Root and Jessica White (11am)*

*Colossians 3:1-4 (pg. 925)*

#### Put On A New Self

<sup>1</sup> If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup> For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

*Philippians 3:20-21 (pg. 923)*

<sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of praise

#### Turn Your Eyes

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face,

and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your eyes to the hillside where justice and mercy embraced;

there the Son of God gave His life for us, and our measureless debt was erased.

*Jesus, to You we lift our eyes— Jesus, our glory and our prize.*

*We adore You, behold You, our Savior ever true, O Jesus, we turn our eyes to You.*

Turn your eyes to the morning and see Christ the Lion awake.

What a glorious dawn; fear of death is gone, for we carry His life in our veins.

Turn your eyes to the heavens— our King will return for His own;

every knee will bow, every tongue will shout, “All glory to Jesus alone!”

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### ■ congregational prayer

### ■ offertory prayer

### ■ song of preparation

#### We’ll All Sing Hallelujah

There is a land I’m longing for, where pain and sorrows cease.

My grief and trials shall be no more; I’ll have eternal peace.

*And I’ll sing hallelujah, and you’ll sing hallelujah;*

*we’ll all sing hallelujah when we arrive at home.*

Oh, what are all my sufferings here, if soon I know I’ll meet

with all the raptured to appear, and worship at His feet.

And let this feeble body fail, and let it faint and die;

my soul shall leave this mournful vale, and soar to worlds on high.

To God our Father, who reigns above, we offer thanks and praise;

for all He promises through His love, a joyous song we raise.

*Words by Charles Wesley (1759) and Neil Maxey; Music HALLELUJAH from W. Walker’s The Southern Harmony (1835), arr. by Benjamin Harlan; © 1993 Glory Sound, a division of Shawnee Press, Inc.*

*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 1:1-14 (pg. 855)*

#### The Promise of the Holy Spirit

<sup>1</sup> In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach,

<sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

<sup>4</sup> And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup> He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” <sup>9</sup> And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup> and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

#### The Ascension

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day’s journey away. <sup>13</sup> And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup> All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

#### Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas

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### ■ prayer for illumination

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

*“Going and Coming”*

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of response

#### There Is a Redeemer

There is a Redeemer— Jesus, God’s own Son,

precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,*

*and leaving Your Spirit till Your work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer, Name above all names,

precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory, I will see His face;

there I’ll serve my King forever, in that holy place.

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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 | *Rob Coit, Operations Manager (9am)*

*Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor (11 am)*

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