

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we are pleased to welcome Reverend Nathan Newman to the pulpit! We are grateful to have Nathan and his wife Jessica, along with daughters Della and Pippa, as part of our APC family! Nathan serves as a minister to Members of Congress with Ministry to State (MTS). Prior to joining MTS, Nathan served on the pastoral staff of McLean Presbyterian Church for nearly a decade.

Ministry to State exists to minister to those serving in government. It seeks to achieve that mission through 5 objectives: Expose those in the government community to the transforming truths of the gospel through healthy relationships; Provide encouragement and support in the development of a Biblical world and life view for those in government who make a profession of faith; Strive to be instrumental in establishing and maintaining a Biblical conscience throughout the government community who both create and implement policy; Provide a healthy means to connect the church in a non-partisan manner with those in government; Promote and facilitate specific and intelligent prayer by the body of Christ for those serving in government.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be June 17th to 21st for children who are rising kindergarteners through 5th grade! Registration coming soon!

Missions Opportunity - 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.

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!

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.

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 in order to receive the Zoom link or if you have any questions.

Inquirers
Class



Newcomer
Dinner



APC
Visitor Form



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Covenant
Fellowship Groups



SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

Hospitality

This Week: Gladys Acevedo, Suyapa Martinez, Miriam Moreno Coto

Nursery

This Week (9am): Christine Brittle, Carrie Brown, Jamie Connelly, Matti Jamison, Elizabeth Kohlmann, Sally and Drew Lindsay, Catherine Marks

This Week (11am): Cindy Cai, Laura, Rob, and Elyse Coit, Stacey Diack, Gina Mitchell, Gladys Monroy

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

Next Week (11am): Carmen Rives, Ben and Kimberly Signer, Amy and Sam Weld

Children's Church

9am: Bryant and Lynn Street, Tom and Amanda Petelik

11am: Ryan and Erin Furgerson

Tech Team

Lauren Evans, Pete Olsen, Bailey Rolland, Joshua Youngquist

Greeters

9am: Allen Family, Mike and Vicki Gutshall, Jim and Jo Ann Kottkamp

11am: Sara Eppright, Pierre Jolly, Becky and Lilee Mason, Greg Thomas

Ushers

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

11am: Sam Diack, JW Jung, Rachel Jung, Christian Poole, Jackson Poole

KEY EQUIPPING

In light of the men's retreat this weekend, 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.

Spanish Service, May 26th.

Shepherding Large Group, June 2nd.

Prayer Meeting, June 9th

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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 | *Bryant Streett, Elder for Outreach and Evangelism*

Psalm 100

His Steadfast Love Endures Forever

A PSALM FOR GIVING THANKS

Leader: ¹Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

All: ²**Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!**

Leader: ³Know that the Lord, he is God!

All: **It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: ⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

All: ⁵**For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of praise

Come, People of the Risen King

Come, people of the risen King who delight to bring Him praise;
come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him,
where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Rejoice, rejoice, let every tongue rejoice!

One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night;
come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight;
for His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land, men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands; find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing; shore to shore we hear them call
the truth that cries through every age: “Our God is all in all!”

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■ prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ scripture reading | *Ben Youngquist (9am); Jo Lea Wigley (11am)*

Exodus 33:12-17 (pg. 68)

Moses’ Intercession

¹² Moses said to the Lord, “See, you say to me, ‘Bring up this people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’

¹³ Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” ¹⁴ And he said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” ¹⁵ And he said to him, “If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here.

¹⁶ For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?”

¹⁷ And the Lord said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of praise

Pass Me Not

Pass me not, O gentle Savior; hear my humble cry:
While on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.

Let me at Thy throne of mercy find a sweet relief,
kneeling there in deep contrition; help my unbelief.

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry:

While on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.

Trusting only in Thy merit would I seek Thy face;
heal my wounded, broken spirit; save me by Thy grace.

Thou the Spring of all my comfort— more than life to me.
Whom have I on earth beside Thee? Whom in heav’n but Thee?

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■ congregational prayer | *Bryant Streett*

■ offertory prayer | *Catherine Marks (9am); Christina Renenger (11am)*

■ song of preparation

All of Our Tomorrows

This spinning world, by Your own hand, hurls ever on around the sun;
the seasons march at Your command; the old departs, the new year comes.
And though celestial is Your gaze, You search and care for all our ways.
We offer up to You this day and all of our tomorrows.

May zealous youth and cautious age determine not the steps we choose;
Great Shepherd, guide us through each day— O, how we want to follow You.
Come, Living Way, our way make clear; let perfect love drive out our fear;
be Thou our vision— now and here, and all of our tomorrows.

When winter makes us reminisce of warmer days so distant now,
of cherished saints the sun once kissed whose beauty passed behind the clouds,
let all our fond and longing tears remind us we are pilgrims here.
We trust You, Sovereign of our years, with all of our tomorrows.

Hands to the plow, we’re pressing on and running hard to win the prize,
empowered by the love of God with grace before and grace behind.
For lo, what hope before us stands: You finish all that You began;
eternal joy is in Your hands, and all of our tomorrows.

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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

Psalm 23 (pg. 428)

The Lord Is My Shepherd

A PSALM OF DAVID

¹The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

³ He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name’s sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

forever.

■ prayer for illumination

■ sermon | *Rev. Nathan Newman, Ministry to State* “God Is With Us”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of response

Psalm 23 (The Lord’s My Shepherd)

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green;
He leads me by the still, still waters;
His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone;

and I will trust in You alone,

for Your endless mercy follows me;

Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness,
and He anoints my head with oil,
and my cup, it overflows with joy;
I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
for You are with me, and Your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.

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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); Bailey Rolland, Church Administrator (11am)*