

WELCOME

Welcome, we are glad you're here! Please silence all electronic devices.

Se ofrece traducción al español cada domingo durante el servicio de la 9am. Para más detalles acercarse a alguno de los ujieres.
Spanish translation is offered every Sunday during the 9am service.
For more details, approach one of the ushers.

Assisted Listening System is offered every service. Ask a sound tech for assistance.

A simulcast of the worship service will also be available in the Main Level Adult Education Room (Room 112). You may view and hear the full service from this room with others that use this space. As you consider your family's needs during worship, please feel free to use this area to continue your worship!

Nursing Mothers Room available downstairs near the fellowship hall in room 009. You may view and hear the full service, while comfortably nursing and caring for your child.

Nursery is available downstairs for newborn to age 4. Children age 5 through 2nd grade are welcome to continue worship in Children's Church following the offertory song.

Large Print Bulletin Available. See one of the greeters for the large print bulletin.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today! The Covenant Fellowship Group Meet and Greet is after each service. CFG representatives will be available at each table downstairs to meet you and answer your questions. Each group is a bit different (location, meeting time, format, etc). CFGs are a great way to grow in gospel-centered community. One of the key components to growth is close proximity — close proximity to Christ as revealed in the Bible, and close proximity to other like-minded believers.

Sign-up now for the Vision Banquet on September 28th. We invite you to join us as we share more about God's vision for APC and how you can be involved.

Japan Missions Trip Fundraiser—Date Night! Are you interested in a date night without the kids? The Japan mission trip participants will provide childcare from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, September 13. The kids will enjoy a light dinner, activities, and a G-rated movie. Drop off your kids anytime during that time window and pick them up no later than 8:30 p.m. There is no cost for this, but donations to the Japan mission team are appreciated! Limited capacity. Sign up now.

Would you like to support the APC Short-Term Missions team heading to Japan this fall? Seven APC members will be traveling to serve at the Church Planting Institute Renown Conference November 8-17. If you would like to support financially, please scan the QR code on the next page, click the drop down option for "Japan 2024 Missions Trip."

Women's Thursday morning Bible Study, 9:45am-11:30am. Nancy Guthrie's *The Son of David* will take us through the historical books of the Old Testament to help us see Jesus there. Please sign up at lynn.street79@gmail.com and indicate if you will need childcare.

Women's Wednesday Evening Studies, beginning October 9th through November 13th, 7:30pm-9:00pm. Study: *The Book of Colossians*. Sign up with Christina Renenger at crenenger@gmail.com.

Nursery worker needed on Thursday mornings: We provide childcare for nursery aged children (0-4yrs old) for the Thursday Women's Bible Study. We need another worker (adult or teen) for our team! Would you consider this paid opportunity? Contact Erin at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org

Men's Discipleship. There are multiple ways you can get involved and fellowship with other men at APC. Whether in a large group or one-on-one discipleship, we want to know what interests you! Fill out the form through the APC QR code.

The next Inquirers Class is Friday evening, October 4th, and Saturday, October 5th. 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. Membership is open to all who profess faith in Christ and believe the basic teachings of the Christian faith.

Newcomer Fellowship Dinner, Saturday, September 14th, 6-8pm. If you've recently started attending APC, we would love the chance to get to know you more! Please join us for food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall (downstairs at APC). Sign up by September 11th.

Women's Event: Our Story-telling God. Friday, October 18th - 7:30pm-9pm, Fellowship Hall. Stories capture our attention and make us lean in. Our God is a storyteller. Come catch a glimpse of the story He is telling within the story of your life.

APC is Hiring! We currently have one full-time job opening for our Operations Manager. We invite you to spread the word and contact us if you are interested in joining the APC team. We are seeking the Lord's timing and leading for this staff position. Please contact Executive Director of Ministries Matt Coombs at matthew.coombs@alexandriapres.org if you are interested, would like to see the full position description, or would like more information.

The next baptism is Sunday, October 13th. If would like to have your child or children baptized, please send an email to Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org.

GIVING AT A GLANCE

Giving: \$367,568
Budget: \$353,000
Difference: \$14,568
Percentage: 104%

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

**Hospitality
Nursery**

This Week: The Brittles

This Week (9am): Ryan and Amy Douglass, Laura Erickson, Sarah Huntington, Matti Jamison, Serenity and Ethan Novak, Abbie and Ellie Olsen, Stephen Sylvia

This Week (11am): Stacey Diack, Phoebe Drybola, Jodie and Anna Kirk, Eleanor Nagy, Chris Nelms, Lisa Popadich, Bailey Rolland

Next Week (9am): Maggie Coombs, Brian and Sarah Field, Patricia Kodjo, Nathan Leamer, Drew and Sally Lindsay, Susanna Root, Ben and Kimberly Signer

Next Week (11am): Frank Girgenti, Caitlin Jolly, Mike, Tracy, and Kingston Powell, Carmen Rives

Children's Church

9am: Mark and Kari Adams, Chris and Amy Weld

11am: Ryan and Erin Furgerson

Tech Team

Ben and Liz Crowley, Mike Mazek, Amanda Petelik

Greeters

9am: Nick and Laura Carter, Ryan Furgerson, Chris Nelms, Onasis Rivas, Miriam Moreno Coto, Alejandro Rivas Moreno

11am: Richard and Melinda Douglass, Becky Knapp, Pierre Jolly

Ushers

9am: Femi Adenji, Andy Allison, Kira Allison, Patricia Kodjo, Will Marks, Janice Nichols, Bert Rives

11am: Rick Eppright, JW Jung, Jodie Kirk, Seth Kirk, Levi Kirk, Christian Poole, Jack Poole, Rachel Veenstra, Sam White

KEY EQUIPPING

Key Equipping resumes tonight for all ages, 5-7pm

APC offers an array of classes for all ages on Sunday evenings for further spiritual development and equipping disciples of Christ.

Covenant Kids Ministry: Children 2 years old - 5th grade, Lower Level (Nursery for 1 & under). Children 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.

Adults: Adults of all ages. Come to learn, study, pray, and be transformed as each class offers opportunities to be equipped as a disciple of Christ. No meals provided for adults. Classes offered:

Parenting By Grace taught by Pastor Tom Holliday, room 201.

This class of 11 weeks taught by Pastor Tom. This class will address the crucial question: "How do we parent our children by grace?" We will study key passages from the Old and New Testament on the subject of parenting. Although the Bible does not give us a manual per se on parenting, it offers wise and practical advice based on "God's parenting of us." We will see how the doctrines of justification and sanctification are essential not only for our salvation but also how they inform our own parenting by grace.

The Unity of the Faith taught by Elders Marc Allen and Aaron Renenger, room 112. Join us for a 5-week class that considers what it means to speak Truth in Love, and how especially that manifests in righteous conflict and growth into spiritual maturity. We pray this study will help us explore how the Gospel impacts our approach to contentious issues — something we may find particularly relevant to our lives in these times of great political, cultural, and religious polarization.

Titus taught by Elder Matt Brown, room 114.

The Book of Titus is practical, focusing on the necessity of sound doctrine and good character among the members and leaders of the church. During this 11-week class we will explore how your character and doctrine impacts others and how we should grow in both.

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to APC



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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** | *Josh Diack, Associate Pastor of Congregational Life and Missions*
Psalm 36:7-9

⁷ How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

⁸ They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹ For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of praise

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion, we will sing with our hearts restored.

“He has done great things,” we will say together; we will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord our God. We are not consumed by the flood—upheld, protected, gathered up.

In the dark of night before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid. For the promised morning, O how long? O God of Jacob, be my strength!

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed; You are the Faithful One. And from the garden to the grave, bind us together; bring shalom.

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■ prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ **scripture reading** | *Rebecca Schad (9am); Amy Weld (11am)*

Exodus 3:1-12 (pg.43)

The Burning Bush

¹ Now 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.

² And 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. ³ And Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.” ⁴ When 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.” ⁵ Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” ⁶ And 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.

⁷ Then 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, ⁸ and 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.

⁹ And 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. ¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” ¹¹ But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” ¹² He 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.”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ songs of praise

Only a Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?

Who else could make every king bow down?

Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?

Only a holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?

What other splendor outshines the sun?

What other majesty rules with justice?

Only a holy God.

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only;

cry out, sing holy, forever a holy God;

come and worship the holy God.

What other glory consumes like fire?

What other power can raise the dead?

What other name remains undefeated?

Only a holy God.

Who else could rescue me from my failing?

Who else would offer His only Son?

Who else invites me to call Him Father?

Only a holy God— only a holy God!

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My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (#521)

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand;

all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found, dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

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■ congregational prayer

■ **offertory prayer** | *Elder Rob Fisher (9am); Elder Chris Weld (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 13:1-3 (pg.866)

Barnabas and Saul Sent Off

¹ Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

² While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” ³ Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

■ prayer for illumination

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

“Set Apart”

Sermon Series and Theme of the Year: *Thinking, Praying, and Living a Missional Life*

■ **commissioning of mission partners** | *Josh Diack, Associate Pastor*

■ response of commitment

Congregation: We present these servants before You, O Lord, committing to pray consistently for them in their service to You.

Partners: We present ourselves to You, thankful for Your call to service, thankful for Your provision for service, and thankful for Your leadership in our service.

Congregation: We send this family out as an extension of ourselves, seeking Your protection and wisdom for them.

Partners: We acknowledge we can do nothing without You, O Lord, and all that will be accomplished is because of You and through You, Mighty God, in Your Son Jesus, and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Use them, O God. Use us, O God.

All: Use us all, O God.

■ prayer of dedication

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of response

Take My Life, and Let It Be (#585)

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee, swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee, filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use every pow’r as Thou shalt choose, every pow’r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne, it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store.

Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee, ever, only, all for Thee.

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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*