

**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**

**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 "APC Sign-Ups" on the next page, click the drop down option for "Japan 2024 Missions Trip," and be on the lookout for future fundraising opportunities.

**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.streett79@gmail.com](mailto:lynn.streett79@gmail.com) and indicate if you will need childcare.  
**Women's Wednesday Evening Study, through November 13th, 7:30pm-9:00pm.** Study: *The Book of Colossians*. Sign up with Christina Renenger at [crenenger@gmail.com](mailto:crenenger@gmail.com).

**Prayer Breakfast.** In November, our monthly prayer breakfast will take place on the 2nd Saturday of the month, rather than the 3rd. The Vision 2026 Prayer Committee invites you to join us as a part of our "Praying Church". All ages are welcome to come enjoy some pancakes and sausage from 8-8:30 and then stay to pray kingdom-centered prayers until you need to leave. We will finish by 9:30. We are praying for Vision 2026, the future of APC, our city, and our world.

**Men's Breakfast. Open to High School students and up, November 16th at 8am, in the Fellowship Hall!** Join us for a time of fellowship and breakfast as we hear from Major General Luke C. G. Cropsey as he speaks on the theme of "Vocation." This will be in line with the theme for the year "Thinking, Praying, and Living a Missional Life." Register through the "APC Sign-Ups."

**Spanish Service.** Join us in Room 201 at 11am on November 24th for a worship service in Spanish led by Pastor Joel Acevedo.

**Our Thanksgiving Service is November 24th at 5pm.** Our Thanksgiving service is a time for us to hear from each other as we publicly give thanks to God for what He has done in our lives over the past year. All ages are invited to share with the congregation as we worship together. Afterwards, please join us downstairs in the fellowship hall for a potluck and pies.

**Lessons and Carols.** Our Lessons and Carols service will be on Sunday, December 15th, at 5pm. The prelude will start at 4:45pm. Come join us as we celebrate the coming of the hope of the world! There will be a cookie reception following the service.

**Christmas Eve.** Our Christmas Eve service will be at 4:30pm this year. We invite you to join us for worship as we remember Christ's first coming. This will be a candlelight service - parents, please help your children with candles or let them use the battery-operated candles. No childcare will be available.

**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 Matt Coombs at [matthew.coombs@alexandriapres.org](mailto:matthew.coombs@alexandriapres.org) if you are interested, would like to see the full position description, or would like more information.

**SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS****Hospitality  
Nursery**

**This Week:** Allison Bolling, Sharon Holliday  
**This Week (9am):** Jon and Nikki Blank, Jamie Connelly, Gus and Woodrow Coombs, Kirsten Etherton, Matti Jamison, Elizabeth Kohlmann, Angel Tinev, Justin Wells-Morgan  
**This Week (11am):** Cindy Cai, Laurie LeRoy, Tom Mood, Chris Nelms, Allison Rivera, Stacey Stephens, Margaret Veenstra  
**Next Week (9am):** Matt, Carrie and Millie Brown, Matti Jamison, Jenny and Abby McGahey, Madison Newman, Serenity and Ethan Novak, Jeremy Root, Steve Sylvia  
**Next Week (11am):** Christine and Zach Brittle, Rick and Sara Eppright, Frank Girgenti, Tom Mood, Athena Selim, Steve Sylvia

**Children's Church**

**9am:** Owen and Lina Gentry, Andrea and Daniel Jones  
**11am:** Stephanie and Abbie Olsen

**Tech Team  
Greeters**

Beth Ifft, Mike Mazek, Ethan Novak, Bailey Rolland  
**9am:** Matt Coombs, Becky Knapp, Jim and Jo Ann Kottkamp, Romy and Amy Murr  
**11am:** Richard and Melinda Douglass, Sara Eppright, Kristi Hellmuth, Pierre Jolly, Chris Nelms  
**9am:** Mark Adams, Sue Edwards, Brian Field, Alex Gesch, Heidi Gesch, Katty Hoyle, Daniel Rojas-Hoyle, Yaovi Kodjo, Jon Osborne  
**11am:** Christian and Connor Brittle, Carolyn Mohan, Christian and Jack Poole, Dave Winecuff

**Ushers****KEY EQUIPPING**

**Key Equipping, Sunday nights at 5pm.** 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 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.

**Apologetics -- The Defense of the Faith** taught by Pastor Josh Diack and Elder Aaron Renenger, room 112. Apologetics has been defined as the vindication of the Christian philosophy of life against the various non-Christian philosophies of life. Join us for this six-week course, as we discuss some of the major apologetic questions of the present, such as the perceived conflict between science and faith, the problems of suffering and injustice, and why it is fitting for Christianity to claim to be the only way to salvation.

**Philemon** taught by Elder Matt Brown, room 114. **\*Not Meeting 11/3\***

The book of Philemon is an appeal from the heart of Paul to the heart of Philemon to love another who was previously considered unworthy. Do you struggle with loving another who has wronged you? Come and discover how the Lord can transform hearts to love unconditionally.

**Connect With  
APC****APC Sign-Ups****Give  
to APC**

Sign-ups for all events can be found in the QR Code above titled, "APC Sign-Ups."  
 This is where all present and future registration links will be found.

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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* *Hebrews 7:23-25*

<sup>23</sup> The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, <sup>24</sup> but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. <sup>25</sup> Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of praise

#### **I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

I know that my Redeemer lives—what comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever living Head.

He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;  
He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above.

He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;  
He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.

He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives and I shall conquer death;  
He lives a mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same.  
O the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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### ■ prayer of adoration

## GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

### ■ scripture reading | *Elder Marc Allen*

*1 Timothy 3:1-13 (pg. 932)*

#### **Qualifications for Overseers**

<sup>1</sup>The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. <sup>2</sup> Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, <sup>3</sup> not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. <sup>4</sup> He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, <sup>5</sup> for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church? <sup>6</sup> He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. <sup>7</sup> Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil.

#### **Qualifications for Deacons**

<sup>8</sup> Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. <sup>9</sup> They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. <sup>10</sup> And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. <sup>11</sup> Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. <sup>12</sup> Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. <sup>13</sup> For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ ordination and installation of officers

*This morning we are pleased to recognize the following men whom God has raised up to ordained office:*

*Elders: Didier Balagizi (re-elected), Matt Coombs (installed), Bryant Streett (re-elected)*  
*Deacons: Alex Bolling (ordained & installed), Christian Brittle (ordained & installed), Brian Oviatt (ordained & installed), Jim Taft (ordained & installed)*

### ■ song of praise

#### **The Church’s One Foundation (#347, vv. 1-2, 4-6)**

The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
she is His new creation by water and the Word:  
from heav’n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;  
with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

The church shall never perish; her dear Lord—to defend,  
to guide, sustain, and cherish—is with her to the end;  
though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,  
against a foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

‘Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

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### ■ congregational prayer | *Josh Diack, Pastor of Congregational Life and Missions*

### ■ offertory prayer | *Bethany Tinev (9am); Jodie Kirk (11am)*

### ■ presentation of tithes and offerings

### ■ song of preparation

#### **Help Us See Christ**

Holy Spirit, Breath of God, Witness to all that Christ has done  
Great Revealer, radiant Light, one with the Father and the Son

*Open our eyes, help us see Christ; may we behold His majesty*  
*Open our eyes, Spirit we cry; show us the glory of our King!*  
*Help us see Christ*

Holy Spirit, Voice of truth, speaking the Word of God to us  
Sent from heaven to our hearts, that we might know the Father’s love

Holy Spirit, Guarantee of the redemption Christ has won  
Promised Helper, be our strength, until this race on earth is run

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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.*

*Parents: to pick up your children, go down the main stairwell and turn right into the nursery. Follow the signs to Children’s Church.*

## GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

### ■ sermon scripture reading

*Mark 2:1-12 (pg. 786)*

#### **Jesus Heals a Paralytic**

<sup>1</sup> And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. <sup>2</sup> And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. <sup>3</sup> And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. <sup>4</sup> And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. <sup>5</sup> And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.” <sup>6</sup> Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, <sup>7</sup> “Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” <sup>8</sup> And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, “Why do you question these things in your hearts? <sup>9</sup> Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk’? <sup>10</sup> But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he said to the paralytic— <sup>11</sup> “I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home.” <sup>12</sup> And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

### ■ prayer for illumination

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

#### **“Ultimate Power”**

Sermon Series: *The Gospel According to Mark*

## GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

### ■ song of response

#### **O My Soul, Arise**

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;  
the bleeding Sacrifice on my behalf appears.  
Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands;  
my name is written on His hands.

He ever lives above, for me to intercede,  
His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead;  
His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race,  
and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

*O my soul, arise! Behold the risen Christ,*  
*your great High Priest, your spotless Sacrifice.*  
*O my soul, arise! God owns you as His child.*  
*Shake off your guilty fears, my soul, arise!*

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary;  
they pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.  
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry, “Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,  
“don’t let that ransomed sinner die!”

My God is reconciled; His pard’ning voice I hear.  
He owns me as His child; I can no longer fear.  
With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh,  
and “Father, Abba, Father!” cry.

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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