

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

Nominations for the Office of Elder and Deacon. You must 1) be a member to nominate, 2) ascertain the willingness of the individual to serve prior to submitting a nomination, and 3) nominate a man who has taken the required training class. This is your opportunity to be involved in the election of your officers - get to know these men, have conversations with them, ask them questions. Nominations can be submitted using the APC Sign-Ups QR Code or by filling out a form located on the table as you enter the building. *Nominations may be submitted until October 20.*

Men who have either taken or are currently taking the Spiritual Leadership Training Class and eligible for nomination are: Alex Bolling, Christian Brittle, Matt Coombs, John Kinch, Brian Oviatt, Jim Taft, Mike Williams. For re-election to the office of elder: Didier Balagizi, Bryant Streett.

The Congregational Meeting to elect officers will be Sunday, October 27, in between services.

Trunk-or-Treat will be hosted October 26th at 3pm! For those that attend APC, show off your creativity or maybe a favorite theme and sign-up to host a trunk or volunteer! This is a great event to invite friends and neighbors to. Sign up using the "APC Sign-Ups" QR code!

Youth Choir Registration for Fall 2024 is now open. Youth Choir welcomes students in grades 2-8, singing with treble/unchanged voices. Rehearsals begin on October 20 and culminate with leading worship on November 24. For more information and to register, scan the "APC Sign-Ups" QR code. Please contact Serenity Novak (serenitynovak@gmail.com) with any questions.

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 and indicate if you will need childcare.

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

Substitute Nursery workers needed on Thursday mornings: We provide childcare for nursery aged children (0-4yrs old) for the Thursday Women's Bible Study. We need substitute nursery workers, for when regular workers are unable to come. Would you consider this paid opportunity? Contact Erin at erin.furgerson@alexandriapres.org

October 19th, 8am—Prayer Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. 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.

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. This event costs \$5—scholarships are available. Register using the "APC Sign-Ups" QR Code.

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 if you are interested, would like to see the full position description, or would like more information.

GIVING AT A GLANCE

July 1 - September 30, 2024
 Giving: \$598,260
 Budget: \$543,000
 Difference: \$55,260
 Percentage: 110%

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

Hospitality	This Week: Flores Family
Nursery	This Week (9am): Femi Adeniji, Amy and Ryan Douglass, Nathan Leamer, Jenny McGahey, Abbie and Ellie Olsen, Christian Poole This Week (11am): Phoebe Drybola, Juliet Edem, Matti Jamison, KayCee Poole Next Week (9am): Jamie Connelly, Patricia Kodjo, Jackie McCauley, McKinzie, Joe, Anna, and Paul Newman, Amanda and Tom Petelik, Bryant and Lynn Streett, Bethany Tinev, Will Marks, Chris Weld Next Week (11am): Cindy Cai, Julie Myers, Chelsea Swink, Jessica and Charlie White
Children's Church	9am: Shant and Annie Boyajian, Amanda and Nathan Leamer 11am: Erin and Ryan Furgerson
Tech Team	Liz Crowley, Abby McGahey, Christian Olsen, Pete Olsen
Greeters	9am: Mary Baird, Lindsay Hutter, Mike and Vicki Gutshall, Amy and Romy Murr 11am: Maggie Cho, Mason Family, Chris Nelms, Greg Thomas
Ushers	9am: Mark Adams, Sue Edwards, Brian Field, Alex Gesch, Heidi Gesch, Katty Hoyle, Daniel Rojas-Hoyle, Yaovi Kodjo, Jonathon Osborne 11am: Christian and Connor Brittle, Carolyn Mohan, Christian and Jack Poole, Dave Winecoff

KEY EQUIPPING No Key Equipping tonight!

Key Equipping will resume next Sunday, October 20th. 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 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.

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.

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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unchanging truth. changing lives

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*
Luke 5:27-32

Jesus Calls Levi

²⁷ After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth. And he said to him, “Follow me.” ²⁸ And leaving everything, he rose and followed him.

²⁹ And Levi made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them. ³⁰ And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?” ³¹ And Jesus answered them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ³² I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of praise

Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow’r.
He is able, He is able; He is willing, doubt no more.

Come ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God’s free bounty glorify:
true belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you’re better, you will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you, ‘tis the Spirit’s rising beam.

I will arise and go to Jesus; He will embrace me in His arms;
in the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.
In the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

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prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

scripture reading

Romans 5:15-19 (pg. 886)

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man’s trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the result of that one man’s sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. ¹⁷ For if, because of one man’s trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹ For as by the one man’s disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man’s obedience the many will be made righteous.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of praise

Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come, behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King:
He, the theme of heaven’s praises, robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come;
look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery: He, the perfect Son of Man,
in His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man,
Christ, the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in Him we stand.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery: Christ the Lord upon the tree;
in the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption, see the Father’s plan unfold,
bringing many sons to glory—grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery: slain by death the God of life,
but no grave could e’er restrain Him; praise the Lord, He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance; how unwavering our hope:
Christ, in power resurrected, as we will be when He comes.

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sacrament of baptism

This morning we are pleased to baptize the following covenant children:

Reuben Cheng-Yong Novak, son of Ethan and Serenity Novak (9am)

Jacob Reid Hellmuth Peirce, son of Lindsey Hellmuth Peirce and Reid Peirce (9am)

Landon Pae Tatum, son of Anna and Teddy Tatum (11am)

covenantal blessing

from the liturgy of the French Reformed Church

For you, little ones, the Spirit of God moved over the waters at creation, and the Lord God made covenants with his people.

For you the Word of God became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth.

For you Jesus Christ suffered death, crying out at the end, “It is finished!”

And for you Christ triumphed over death, rose in newness of life, and ascended to rule over all.

All of this was done for you, though you do not know any of this yet. But we will continue to tell you this good news until it becomes your own by faith. And so the promise of the gospel is fulfilled: “We love because God first loved us.”

song of praise

We Receive

Beautiful Savior, fullness of heaven,
though we have nothing, here we receive.
Jesus, You call us now to remember,
You were the offering for all who believe.

*You laid Your life on the table,
broken like bread, poured out like wine,
we sing what a wonderful Savior;
Jesus our King, all that You give we receive.*

Pardon and blessing, life everlasting,
mercy unmeasured, how can it be?
You are the Giver, faithful forever;
help us to treasure all we’ve received.

For the price You paid, we pour out our praises;
For this feast of grace, we thank You, Jesus.

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missions update | *For the Nations*

congregational prayer | *Elder Marc Allen*

offertory prayer | *Suzanne Papadacos (9am); Greg Thomas (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.

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 1:9-20 (pg. 783)

The Baptism of Jesus

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

The Temptation of Jesus

¹² The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

Jesus Begins His Ministry

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

¹⁶ Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

prayer for illumination

sermon | *Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor*

“The One Who Was Called, The One Who Calls”

Sermon Series: The Gospel According to Mark

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of response

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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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 | *Ben Elliott, Director of Music Ministries*