

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

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. To read more about ministry to state, check out more information in the "APC Sign-Ups" QR code.

Nursery volunteers: today is the last day to sign up for the next quarter. Look for the email from Sign-Up Genius or use the "APC Sign-Ups" QR code. Erin will assign the remaining spots to fill the schedule on Monday October 21st. Please sign up for 2 slots unless you are already serving in another way on Sunday mornings.

Nominations for the Office of Elder and Deacon. Nominations must be submitted by today! 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. 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, 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

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."

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.

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

Hospitality Nursery

This Week: Allen Family
This 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
This Week (11am): Cindy Cai, Denise McMullen, Gina Mitchell, Jessica Newman, Athena Selim, Chelsea Swink
Next Week (9am): Mark and Luke Adams, Catherine Chae, Sarah Huntington, Caitlin Jolly, Nathan Newman, Ben and Kimberly Signer, Doug Shipley, Emmett and Phoebe Stephens, Susanna Root
Next Week (11am): Marc, Shannon, and Sarah Allen, Cindy Cai, Erin Furgerson, Jodie and Anna Kirk, Chris Nelms, Mary Mitchell Todd

Children's Church

9am: Daniel and Andrea Jones
11am: Will and Catherine Marks, Josh and Stacey Diack
 Hensley Gollopp, Mike Mazek, Bailey Rolland

Tech Team Greeters

9am: Chase Chesser, Lindsay Hutter, Murr Family
11am: Maggie Cho, Sara Eppright, Becky Knapp, Cynthia Oviatt
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 Winecoff

Ushers

KEY EQUIPPING

Key Equipping resumes tonight!

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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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*
Romans 5:17; 6:12-14

Leader: 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.

All: Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of praise

Jesus, I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness, into Thy health; out of my wanting and into Thy wealth;
out of my sin, and into Thyself; Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth’s sorrows, into Thy balm; out of life’s storms, and into Thy calm;
out of distress into jubilant psalm; Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love; out of despair into raptures above;
upward forever on wings like a dove; Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
ever Thy glorious face to behold; Jesus, I come to Thee.

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prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

scripture reading | *Lindsay Hutter (9am); Jen Szabo (11am)*

Colossians 1:15-23 (pg. 924)

The Preeminence of Christ

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

songs of praise

The Power of the Cross

O to see the dawn of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then
nailed to a cross of wood.

*This, the pow’r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us,
took the blame, bore the wrath—
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

O to see the pain written on Your face,
bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Every bitter thought, every evil deed
crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath
quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
“Finished!” the vict’ry cry.

O to see my name written in the wounds,
for through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live,
won through Your selfless love.

*This, the pow’r of the cross:
Son of God, slain for us.
What a love, what a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

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All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

see *Trinity Hymnal (#296, vv. 1-3, 5-6)* or screen for lyrics

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congregational prayer

offertory prayer | *Bruce Barham (9am); Rob Pittman (11am)*

presentation of tithes and offerings | *Adult Choir (9am)*

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come now and follow me.
Lay down your earthly cares,” He said, “and I will set you free.”
I came to Jesus as I was: I had no gifts to bring.
He took my stubborn will, my pride, and taught my heart to sing.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one, come now and drink, and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live for Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world’s light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright.
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I’ll walk, till traveling days are done.

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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 1:21-34 (pg. 785)

Jesus Heals a Man with an Unclean Spirit

²¹ And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²² And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³ And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴ “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ²⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶ And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷ And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸ And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

Jesus Heals Many

²⁹ And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon’s mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. ³¹ And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³² That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. ³³ And the whole city was gathered together at the door. ³⁴ And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

prayer for illumination

sermon | *Rev. Nathan Newman, Ministry to State*

“The Authority and Compassion of Jesus”

Sermon Series: *The Gospel According to Mark*

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of response

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
O You rescue the souls of men

*You are the One that we praise; You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for
O our hearts always hunger for*

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost our way
O we’ve hopelessly lost our way

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne
O we’re falling before Your throne

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deacons’ fund offering | *Deacon Pete Olsen*

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 (9am)*
Bailey Rolland, Church Administrator (11am)