As you are able, please sit toward the front and move to the middle of the row. Please try to leave no empty seats between families sitting on the same row.

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

Please help us welcome our two newest staff members, Shannon Allen and Nick Carter! Shannon has started in this new role of Director of Women's Ministries here on staff and we look forward to seeing how God uses her as she faithfully serves the women here at APC. After serving as an intern these past 6 months with his wife Laura, they have listened to an unexpected calling and Nick has stepped into the role of Operation's Manager. We look forward to continue working closely with Nick!

Vision 2026 Resources. Resources are available at the table in the lobby and downstairs between services. New items are being added weekly.

Women's Thursday morning Bible Study, February 27th and March 6th, 9:45am-11:30am. Generosity: What We've Been Given, What We've Been Made For. We are called to live generous lives as an act of worship of our generous God. This 2 week study led by Pastor Tom will expand our understanding on what it looks like to live generously in community in response to God's radical grace. We will use Tim Keller's book and sermon series on generosity as a resource.

Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study. Join us as we meditate on the life and death of Jesus during Lent—the six weeks leading to Easter. We'll journey through the book of Mark on Tuesday nights from 7:30-9:00pm at the church and draw from Tim Keller's book, Jesus the King, as a guide. The study will start on Tuesday, March 4 (the day before Ash Wednesday), conclude Tuesday, April 8, and will be co-led by Amy Weld, Christina Renenger, and Staci Root. For more information or to let us know you'll attend, contact Amy Weld at amyhweld@gmail.com.

Men, it's that time of the year for good fellowship, food and encouragement. Our men's spring breakfast is March 22 from 8am-10am. We had a great time together last fall so you don't want to miss the opportunity for connecting and getting to know each other better. Our very own Marc Allen will share with us! Check your calendar and register in 'APC Sign-Ups!'

Missions Dinner, April 6 at 5-7pm. Join us on April 6 for our upcoming missions dinner. The theme for the 2025 dinner is 'On Mission' — Creating a culture of APC disciples on mission for Christ. Find out how you can be 'On Mission' for Christ, where you are right now. During the evening we will hear from a few of our APC-supported missionaries, listen to testimonies of impactful engagement while on mission, and share in conversation with others over dinner. More details and the registration link will be provided soon.

Seeking Donations of Cars. The Deacons and Deaconesses are assisting several individuals in the APC congregation who would greatly benefit from receiving a donated car for their use. If you have a used vehicle in good working condition with a few years of life left on it that you are willing to donate, please contact apcdeaconsanddeaconesses@alexandriapres.org. Your donation will be taxdeductible and greatly appreciated.

Seeking Men and Women Willing to be Part of APC's Transportation Ministry. As you may know, APC maintains a transportation ministry to help folks without a car or unable to drive get to church, doctor's appointments, and other priority needs. We currently have a number of APC volunteers who have graciously given of their time to be part of this ministry, but we need more. We especially need people who are available to drive during the week, when doctor's and other appointments come up. The more volunteers we have, the more we can spread the workload among several of us. Volunteers may be asked to complete the APC Congregational Care & Safety trainings for serving with children or with vulnerable adults. If you'd be interested in this ministry, please fill out the following form or contact deaconess Emily Kinch at emily.kinch@alexandriapres.org.

Save the Date: APC Women's Retreat at Meadowkirk—May 2-4, 2025. Women of APC, we invite you to join us for a weekend at the lovely Meadowkirk Retreat Center in Middleburg, VA! Be on the lookout for more details and registration coming soon.

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

This Week: Gladys Acevedo, Miriam Moreno Coto, Suyapa Martinez Hospitality This Week (9am): Nikki Blank, Catherine Chae, Sarah Huntington, Jenny Nursery

and Abby McGahey, Tommy and Emily Ribaric, Jeremy and Evan Root, Dani

Sauer, Margaret Veenstra

This Week (11am): Cindy Cai, Catherine Chae, Stacey Diack, Kirsten Etherton, Ben, Kimberly, Sam, Max, and Eli Signer, Mary Mitchell Todd Next Week (9am): Jon Blank, Lina Gentry, Sharon Holliday, Tom Mood, Joe, Mckinzie, Anna, and Paul Newman, Abbie and Ellie Olsen, Tom

and Amanda Petelik

Next Week (11am): Cindy Cai, Matt Coombs, Frank Girgenti, Caitlin Jolly,

Eleanor Nagy, Allison Rivera

Children's Church 9am: Daniel and Andrea Jones

11am: Phoebe Drybola, Stephanie Olsen Lauren Evans, Hensley Gollop, Abby McGahey

Greeters 9am: Sara and Hannah Butler, Matt Coombs, Mike and Sun Williams

11am: Maggie Cho, Ginger Horton, Jo and Joane Leotta

KEY EQUIPPING

Tech Team

Key Equipping is meeting tonight 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.

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:

Walking in the Spirit (WitS) taught by Pastor Tom and Sharon Holliday, Room 201. (Registration closed).

This is a 10 week in-depth study of the person and work of the Holy Spirit. **Becoming More Like Jesus** taught by Tom Tarrants, room 112.

(Open to all)

When we are born again, we become disciples of Jesus and enter a lifelong process of transformation into his image. Through the gospels Jesus both teaches and demonstrates the essential keys to this life-changing spiritual journey. In this co-ed class we will learn from Jesus some of the vital keys to faithfully following him, becoming more like him, and bearing fruit for God's glory. Discussion is encouraged and reading of 10-15 pages before each class is required.

Isaiah taught by Elders Aaron Renenger and Bryant Streett, room 114. (Open to all)

Isaiah has sometimes been called The Fifth Gospel, anticipating as it does the coming of Jesus and the consummation of Christ's kingdom. Isaiah is about the Holy One of Israel's relationship to his people throughout the arc of history. In its pages, we glimpse the unfathomable holiness of God, the deep rebelliousness of humanity, God's covenant love for his people, the promise of the coming Messiah, and God's plan for redemption of the world. It is a book filled with terrible judgment and unsurpassable hope and promise. Join us for this 11-week course as we come to know both God and ourselves better through the lens of Isaiah.

Connect With APC



APC Sign-Ups



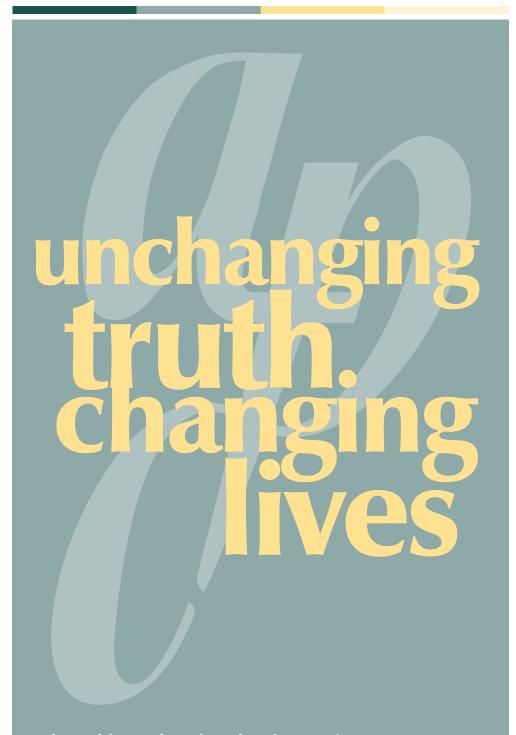
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Alexandria Presbyterian Church is a welcoming community God and world. We long to taste the glory of God in such an the majesty and mercy of our great God. It is our desire that our worship will serve as an authentic model to our city of the possibilities for transformation of individuals, families and a city encountering the glory and grace of God.

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Holy Worship Service GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

prelude

■ call to worship | Joel Acevedo, Pastor of International Outreach Psalm 145:10-13

¹⁰ All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you!

11 They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom and tell of your power.

¹² to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

¹⁰ Te alaben, oh Jehová, todas tus obras,

Y tus santos te bendigan.

¹¹ La gloria de tu reino digan,

Y hablen de tu poder,

¹² Para hacer saber a los hijos de los hombres sus poderosos hechos,

Y la gloria de la magnificencia de su reino.

¹³ Tu reino es reino de todos los siglos,

Y tu señorío en todas las generaciones.

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of praise

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing:

iOh alaben! iAleluya!

Thou, burning sun with golden beam; thou, silver moon with softer gleam:

iOh alaben! iOh alaben! iAleluya! iAleluya! iAleluya!

Let all things their Creator bless and worship Him in humbleness:

iOh alaben! iAleluya!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:

iOh alaben! iOh alaben! iAleluya! iAleluya! iAleluya!

All the redeemed, washed by His blood, come and rejoice in His great love:

iOh alaben! iAleluya!

Christ has defeated every sin; cast all your burdens now on Him:

iOh alaben! iOh alaben! iAleluya! iAleluya! iAleluya!

He shall return in pow'r to reign; heaven and earth will join to say:

iOh alaben! iAleluya!

Then who shall fall on bended knee? All creatures of our God and King:

iOh alaben! iOh alaben! iAleluya! iAleluya!

iOh alaben! iOh alaben! iAleluya! iAleluya! iAleluya!

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prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

scripture reading | James Whittaker (9am); Bryn Elliott (11am)

Galatians 4:1-7 (pg. 915)

Sons and Heirs

¹ I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ² but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³ In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of praise

Come Praise and Glorify

Come praise and glorify our God, the Father of our Lord! In Christ He has in heav'nly realms His blessings on us poured; for pure and blameless in His sight He destined us to be, and now we've been adopted through His Son eternally.

To the praise of Your glory, to the praise of Your mercy and grace, to the praise of Your glory, You are the God who saves!

Come praise and glorify our God, who gives His grace in Christ; in Him our sins are washed away, redeemed through sacrifice. In Him God has made known to us the myst'ry of His will: that Christ should be the Head of all, His purpose to fulfill.

Come praise and glorify our God, for we've believed the Word, and through our faith we have a seal, the Spirit of the Lord. The Spirit guarantees our hope until redemption's done, until we join in endless praise to God, the Three in One.

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congregational prayer

offertory prayer | Ruth Fisher (9am); Bill Barnett (11am)

presentation of tithes and offerings | Choir

God's Son Has Made Me Free

God's Son has made me free from Satan's tyranny;
From fear of death, and bonds of sin; from all that plagues my soul within.
The Holy One divine became a friend of mine.
From heaven high, from starry sky, He came to live, to die.
O boundless love— He came, He died, He rose forever glorified!
He came to give, to die, that I might live on high.
From heaven high, from starry sky, He came to die that I might live with Him eternally: God's Son has made me free!

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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 5:1-20 (pg. 788)

Jesus Heals a Man with a Demon

¹ They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. ² And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. ³ He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, ⁴ for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. ⁶ And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. ⁷ And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." ⁸ For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" ⁹ And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." ¹⁰ And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. ¹¹ Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, ¹² and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." ¹³ So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.

¹⁴ The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. ¹⁵ And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ¹⁶ And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs. ¹⁷ And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region. ¹⁸ As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. ¹⁹ And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." ²⁰ And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

prayer for illumination

sermon | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor

"Breaking Free"

Sermon Series: The Gospel According to Mark

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS TABLE

sacrament of the lord's supper

Explanation, Invitation, Participation

All baptized Christians who are members in good standing of a church that proclaims the Gospel of Jesus Christ are invited to participate. Children who have been admitted into the church as communicant members are invited to participate as well. If you have any questions, please ask one of our pastors or elders.

Members will be invited to come forward to receive the bread and the cup. You will receive the elements from the pastors and elders standing up front in your section of the Sanctuary, and then take the bread and cup back to your seat. If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand and a server will bring the elements to your seat. We will take the elements together as prompted by the pastor.

During the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper you are invited to sing or meditate on the following song:

Come, O Sinner

Come, O sinner; come and see Christ the Lord upon a tree.

See the crown of thorns adorn the King who labors to breathe in agony.

Come, O sinner; come and see what our God became to set us free.

Come, O sinner; come and mourn, for He calls your sin His own.

Do you feel the weight of justice served? He suffers the wrath that you deserve. Come, O sinner; come and mourn, for He bears the curse for all you've done.

O, the wonder of this awesome scene where our Savior bleeds!

O, the power of the love of God; come and stand in awe.

Come, O sinner; come rejoice: Mercy fills this place of scorn,

for He dies to save His enemies, that all who draw near may know His peace.

Come, O sinner; come rejoice: Through the death of Christ, death is destroyed!

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GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

song of response

And Can It Be (#455, vv. 1, 3-5) see screen or hymnal for lyrics

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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

■ vision 2026 introduction | Brian and Sarah Field