

WELCOME TO ALEXANDRIA PRESBYTERIAN

**We are glad you're here!**  
APC is a church of sinners. It's that simple. But we are bound together by the Gospel that saves us and transforms us — UNCHANGING TRUTH, CHANGING LIVES. The transformation is, however, a process. God isn't through with us yet. Everyone in this church is struggling with something. If you are currently struggling with greed, gossip, drugs, alcohol, sexual brokenness, eating disorders, anger, pride, etc — you are not alone. More importantly, God does not intend for you to struggle alone. That's why He made the Church. If you would like to learn how your brothers and sisters at APC might be able to encourage you, pray with you, and struggle alongside you, we encourage you to visit our welcome desk, scan our "Connect with APC" QR code, and/or contact one of our pastors, officers, or staff.

**To assist you as part of our church family gathering today, we want you to know that we offer:**  
**Nursery downstairs for newborn to age 4.** Children age 5 through 2nd grade are welcome to continue worship in Children's Church following the offertory.

**A simulcast of the worship service in the Main Level Adult Education Room (Room 112).** As you or your family have the need, please feel free to use this area to continue your worship!

**A Nursing Mothers Room downstairs, near the Fellowship Hall in Room 009.** The worship service simulcast is also available here.

**Large-Print Bulletins.** See one of our greeters.

**Assistive Listening Devices.** For assistance, see one of our audio technicians.

**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 available every Sunday during the 9am service.** For more details, see one of our ushers.

**As you are able, please help us to serve people arriving after you by sitting toward the front of the sanctuary, moving to the middle of your row, and closing empty chairs between you and those next to you.**  
**To help focus our attention on Jesus during worship, please silence all electronic devices.**

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Discover Your Ministry Identity** continues from this past Sunday? **Yes!** As we each continue to discover God's call on our time, talents, and treasure in the ministry of APC, take this unique opportunity from 3 - 5 pm beginning this Sunday and continuing each Sunday through June 29. Continuing from last week's message, Dr. Paul Ford will lead us in a deeper dive into **Stewarding Your Time and Talents through Your Spiritual Gifts**. God calls each of us to steward our spiritual gift(s) to serve others (1 Peter 4:10). Right now He is calling some of you to go deeper in understanding and playing your part. This is your chance! **For this week only, the class will meet upstairs in Room 201.**  
**Childcare is available, but is limited and requires an RSVP.** To RSVP please email the staff at admin@alexandriapres.org.

**College-Aged Ministry Game Night.** The Ward Family is hosting a game night on June 20th at 7 PM. Invite a friend and join us for fellowship and board games. RSVP through APC Sign-Ups.

**Congregational Meeting.** Join us on June 29th at 5pm for a congregational meeting in the Sanctuary where we will share the budget and other important information. This meeting is open to all. After the meeting, we invite you to join us in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck. Please bring a dish to share.

**Spiritual Leadership Class Interest Meeting, June 29th at 10:30am in Room 114.** Come learn about the Spiritual Leadership Training class that begins September 2. Class is open to all who want to learn about spiritual leadership in the home, at work, or in your neighborhood. It is required for any considering leadership as an officer at APC (elder or deacon), leading in a ministry (CFG leaders/ hosts, lay leaders in ministry, etc), or appointment as a deaconess.

**Reading in Community. Saturday, June 28th - 9am-11am, Home of Shannon Allen; Monday, July 28th - 7:30pm-9am, Fellowship Hall Lobby.** Women of APC, come for the book. Come for the discussion and fellowship. Come for the gift of quietly reading for 45 minutes without interruption! Whatever your motivation, come join us in getting to know the flawed, relatable, and aging Sybil Van Antwerp, a life beautifully told through letters in The Correspondent: A Novel by Virginia Evans. Our two gatherings will begin with a brief time of fellowship over light refreshments. Then choose and enjoy 45 minutes of quiet reading, after which we will reconvene for a discussion of the book.

**Men's Summer Cookout and Fellowship for Junior High and Up!** Men, please join us at 12:30pm on July 19th at the Allen family home. Register in APC Sign-ups. The address will be provided at a later date.

**APC is looking for volunteer photographers!** Do you have a talent in photography and want to use your skills here? We would like to capture the life of the church and get photos of our special services, dinners, retreats, and events. Interested? Reach out to Phoebe Drybola at phoebe.drybola@alexandriapres.org.

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

<b>Hospitality</b>	<i><b>This Week:</b></i> PROTAS
<b>Nursery</b>	<i><b>This Week (9am):</b></i> Femi Adeniji, Didier Balagizi, Jon and Nikki Blank, Carrie, Matt and Millie Brown, Jamie Connelly, Liz Crowley, Susanna Root <i><b>This Week (11am):</b></i> Cindy Cai, Phoebe Drybola, Frank Girgenti, Gina Mitchell, Stacey Stephens, Amy and Justin Wells-Morgan <i><b>Next Week (9am):</b></i> Catherine Marks, Abby and Jenny McGahey, Amy and Mila Murr, Madison Newman, Abbie and Ellie Olsen, Staci Root, Evan and Maureen Ward <i><b>Next Week (11am):</b></i> Juliet Edem, Rob Fisher, Erin Furgerson, Kendra, Alexis and Faith Howard, Jodie and Anna Kirk, KayCee Poole <i>9am:</i> Nate and Maria Myers, Tom and Amanda Petelik <i>11am:</i> Ryan and Erin Furgerson
<b>Children's Church</b>	Manuel Bravo, Ethan Novak, Brittany Payton, Bailey Rolland
<b>Tech Team</b>	<i><b>9am:</b></i> Mary Baird, Mike and Vicki Gutshall, Lindsay Hutter, Emma and Crissy Stubbs
<b>Greeters</b>	<i><b>11am:</b></i> Pierre Jolly, Jodie Kirk, Cynthia Oviatt

KEY EQUIPPING

**We believe rest is part of equipping (following Jesus' example) which is why we take Sunday evening equipping off each summer to allow leaders, teachers, and individuals to rest.**

**Upcoming Dates:**  
**August 17** - Ministry and Service Fair  
**August 24** - Key Equipping Resumes  
**August 31** - Hot Dog and Ice Cream Social

**Fall Key Equipping Opportunities:**  
**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!

**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.

**Adults:** 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: a book of the Bible class, a topical class and a foundational class. Details to come.

Connect with APC



APC Sign-Ups



Give to APC



Vision 2026 Webpage



Sign-ups for all events can be found in the QR Code above titled, "APC Sign-Ups."

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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.

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Holy Worship Service

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

- prelude
- call to worship | Josh Diack, Pastor of Congregational Life and Missions  
Psalm 99

The Lord Our God Is Holy	
Leader:	The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
Musicians:	The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is He!
Left:	The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
Right:	Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!
Left:	Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called upon his name. They called to the LORD, and he answered them.
Right:	In the pillar of the cloud he spoke to them; they kept his testimonies and the statute that he gave them.
Leader:	O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.
All:	Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy!

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

- song of praise
- Holy, Holy, Holy (#100)  
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
- Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,  
though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see.  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee perfect in pow’r, in love, and purity.
- Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
- Words by Reginald Heber, 1826; Music NICAEA by John B. Dykes, 1861; © Public Domain; CCLI Song # 1156

- prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

- scripture reading | Nate Kane (9am); Nathan Newman (11am)  
2 Kings 19:14-20 (pg. 304)
- Hezekiah’s Prayer  
<sup>14</sup> Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers and read it; and Hezekiah went up to the house of the LORD and spread it before the LORD. <sup>15</sup> And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD and said: “O LORD, the God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth. <sup>16</sup> Incline your ear, O LORD, and hear; open your eyes, O LORD, and see; and hear the words of Sennacherib, which he has sent to mock the living God. <sup>17</sup> Truly, O LORD the kings of Assyria have laid waste the nations and their lands <sup>18</sup> and have cast their gods into the fire, for they were not gods, but the work of men’s hands, wood and stone. Therefore they were destroyed. <sup>19</sup> So now, O LORD our God, save us, please, from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you, O LORD, are God alone.”

Isaiah Prophesies Sennacherib’s Fall

<sup>20</sup> Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, “Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Your prayer to me about Sennacherib king of Assyria I have heard.”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

- songs of praise
- Psalm 34 (Taste and See)  
I sought the Lord, and He answered me and delivered me from every fear.  
Those who look on Him are radiant; they’ll never be ashamed, they’ll never be ashamed.
- This poor man cried, and the Lord heard me and saved me from my enemies.  
The Son of God surrounds His saints;  
He will deliver them, He will deliver them.
- Magnify the Lord with me; come exalt His name together!  
Glorify the Lord with me; come exalt His name forever!
- O taste and see that the Lord is good!  
O blessed is he who hides in Him!  
O fear the Lord, O all you saints;  
He’ll give you everything, He’ll give you everything.
- Let us bless the Lord every day and night.  
Never ending praise—may our incense rise.
- Words and music by Joe Rigney and Shane Barnard; © 2015 Songs From Wellhouse; CCLI Song # 7054932
- Come Unto Jesus  
Come unto Jesus, all you who are weary; come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.  
Here bring your wounded hearts, broken and needy; come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.
- Joy of the comfortless, Light for the straying, Hope of the penitent, Peace in our strife;  
here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying, “My yoke is easy, my burden is light.”
- Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus. Lay down your burdens; He is enough.  
Come unto Jesus—rest in His love.
- Come taste the Bread of Life, broken for sinners, drink from the cup of His promise made sure,  
feast at His table as sons and as daughters; grace overflowing is yours evermore.
- Come now and follow Him, this life forsaking; all that was gain count as nothing but loss;  
trade all this world for His kingdom unfading. Come unto Jesus—take up your cross.  
Come unto Jesus—take up your cross: Life everlasting He offers to us!
- Words and music by Jordan Kauflin, Laura Story, and Matt Merker, adapted from “Come, Ye Disconsolate” by Thomas Moore (1824) and Thomas Hastings (1832); © 2023 Getty Music Hymns and Songs; Getty Music Publishing; Jordan Kauflin Music; Laura’s Stories and Songs; Matthew Merker Music; CCLI Song #7228728

- sacrament of baptism
- This morning we are pleased to baptize the following covenant children:  
Veronica Rae, Dashiell John, and Eugene Michael Dornbos; children of Kyle and Malary Dornbos (9am)  
Ruth Alan Newman; daughter of David and Madison Newman (9am)  
Patrick Arthur Johnson; son of Dan and Kathryn Johnson (11am)

- covenantal blessing
- from the liturgy of the French Reformed Church
- For you, little one(s), 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.”

- congregational prayer

- offertory prayer | Rob Coit (9am); Nick Carter (11am)

- presentation of tithes and offerings
- offertory | Adult Choir (9am)
- Jesus Died on Calvary’s Mountain  
Jesus died on Calvary’s mountain, long time ago, and salvation’s rolling fountain now freely flows.  
Once His voices in tones of pity melted in woe, and He wept o’er Judah’s city, long time ago.
- On His head the dew of midnight fell, long ago; now a crown of dazzling sunlight sits on His brow.  
Jesus died, yet lives forever, no more to die; bleeding Jesus, bleeding Savior, now reigns on high.
- Children, let your lights be burning in hope of heav’n, waiting for the Lord’s returning at dawn or ev’n.  
When He comes, a voice from heaven shall pierce the tomb, “Come, ye blessed of my Father; children, come home.”
- Words by Edward Payson Hammond, 19th cent.; Music from American folk hymn, arr. by K. Lee Scott; © 1987 Morning Star Music Publishers.

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 7:24-30 (pg. 791)
- The Syrophoenician Woman’s Faith  
<sup>24</sup> And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. <sup>25</sup> But immediately a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. <sup>26</sup> Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophoenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. <sup>27</sup> And he said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>28</sup> But she answered him, “Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” <sup>29</sup> And he said to her, “For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter.” <sup>30</sup> And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.
- prayer for illumination
- sermon | Josh Diack, Pastor of Congregational Life and Missions
- “Emboldened to Intercede”  
Series: The Gospel According to Mark

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

- song of response
- Pass Me Not  
Pass me not, O gentle Savior; hear my humble cry:  
While on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.
- Let me at Thy throne of mercy find a sweet relief,  
kneeling there in deep contrition; help my unbelief.
- Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry: while on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.
- Trusting only in Thy merit would I seek Thy face;  
heal my wounded, broken spirit; save me by Thy grace.
- Thou the Spring of all my comfort—more than life to me.  
Whom have I on earth beside Thee? Whom in heav’n but Thee?
- Words by Fanny Crosby, 1868; Music by W. Howard Doane, 1870; © Public Domain; CCLI Song # 41594
- 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, Exectuvie Director of Ministries