

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

Our next Inquirers Class is June 13th-14th. If you are interested in membership or in gaining a deeper understanding of APC, we invite you to attend this class. You will receive an introduction to Christianity, the PCA, and the specific vision/mission and philosophy of ministry at APC. Attending the class does not obligate you to join the church. Sign up through the APC emails or the QR code “APC Sign-Ups”.

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!
Childcare is available, but is limited and requires an RSVP. To RSVP please email the staff at admin@alexandriapres.org.
For this Sunday only (6/8/25), any attending the class from 3 - 5 pm that are **interested in SPIRITUAL GIFTS COACHING should arrive at 2:30 pm.** If you were interested or moved by Paul’s sharing about this at the end of Sunday’s sermon, join us for this introduction to the part this coaching would play if God calls us to establish a new gifts mobilizing ministry.

Baptism. The next baptism is Sunday, June 15th. If you would like to have your child or children baptized, please reach out to Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org.
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.

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

Hospitality	<i>This Week:</i> the Streett CFG
Nursery	<i>This Week (9am):</i> Kari and Elaina Adams, Adam Davis, Sue Edwards, Alex Gesch, Andrea and Mary Ellis Jones, Jackie McCauley, Joe, Paul, McKinzie and Anna Newman, Tom and Emily Ribaric <i>This Week (11am):</i> Rick and Sara Eppright, Laura and Alex Erickson, Allison Rivera, Bailey Rolland, Athena Selim <i>Next Week (9am):</i> Femi Adeniji, Didier Balagizi, Jon and Nikki Blank, Carrie, Matt and Millie Brown, Jamie Connelly, Liz Crowley, Susanna Root <i>Next Week (11am):</i> Cindy Cai, Phoebe Drybola, Frank Girgenti, Gina Mitchell, Stacey Stephens, Amy and Justin Wells-Morgan
Children’s Church	<i>9am:</i> Owen and Lina Gentry, Nathan and Amanda Leamer <i>11am:</i> Chris and Amy Weld
Tech Team	Ben Crowley, Beth Ifft, Abby McGahey, Joey Rolland
Greeters	<i>9am:</i> Mary Baird, Joe Cho, Lindsay Hutter, the Kodjo family <i>11am:</i> the Connelly family, Pierre Jolly, Peggy Locher

KEY EQUIPPING

Adult Key Equipping Classes have concluded, but we will continue to have other Key Equipping opportunities/events. Please keep an eye out for future adult key equipping opportunities.

June 8 - Hymn Sing and Potluck (open to all)
June 29 - Congregational Meeting and Potluck (open to all)

Hymn Sing: Hymns of the Bible. Join us today at 5pm in the Sanctuary for a time of singing and learning about the central role of hymns in the church’s life and worship. This all-church event is family friendly. Please bring a dish to share and drop it off in the Fellowship Hall before joining us in the Sanctuary. **We will begin promptly at 5pm, so we encourage you to arrive by 4:45pm.**

Volunteers are needed for the Hymn Sing! We are in need of more volunteers to help with set-up directly following the 1st service on June 8th, receiving food and clean-up. If you would be available, please sign up in “APC Sign-ups” or on the weekly emails.

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APC Sign-Ups



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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 | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor
Joel 2:28-32
The LORD Will Pour Out His Spirit
²⁸ “And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.
²⁹ Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

³⁰ “And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.
³¹ The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.
³² And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

- song of praise
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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- prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

- scripture reading | Nate Myers (9am); Jim Taft (11am)
Romans 7:21-8:6 (pg. 887)
²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand.
²² For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,
²³ but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.
²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?
²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!
So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.
Life in the Spirit
^{8:1} There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.
³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do.
By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,
⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.
⁶ For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

- song of praise
Before the Throne of God Above
Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea—
a great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav’n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,
for God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,
to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there! the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless Righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by His blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high—with Christ, my Savior and my God,
with Christ, my Savior and my God.

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- congregational prayer

- offertory prayer | Becky Mason (9am); Greg Thomas (11am)

- presentation of tithes and offerings

offertory Adult Choir	
iCantad al Señor!	Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!
Cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo, icantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!	
Porque el Señor ha hecho prodigios, icantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!	Because the Lord has done wonders, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!
Cantad al Señor, alabdle con arpa, icantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!	Sing to the Lord, and praise Him with the lyre, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!
Es Él que nos da el Espíritu Santo; icantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!	It is He who gives us the Holy Spirit; sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!
iJesus es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya! iCantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!	Jesus is Lord! Amen, alleluia! Sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!
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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
Acts 2:29-39 (pg. 856)
²⁹ “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.
³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne,
³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption.
³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.
³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.
³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,
“The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at my right hand,
³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool.”
³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”
³⁸ And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

- prayer for illumination

- sermon | Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor
“The Gift of the Holy Spirit”

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS TABLE

- prayer of confession
Heavenly Father, You have said there is no condemnation for us in Christ Jesus, but we cave to sin and fear. In our thoughts, words, and deeds, we forget Your peace, resent Your sovereignty, and resist Your Holy Spirit. Our ways will lead us to death. But You offer us life in the Spirit for the sake of Jesus, who died for us and was raised to be Lord and Christ! Forgive us for taking lightly our surrender to You— settling for knowledge without experience, ignoring the battle in our own desires, and refusing to truly listen to You.
Holy Spirit, only You can bring us to true repentance and change. Please cut us to the heart, in order to show us anew the glory of our King and the joy of our salvation. Amen.
- assurance of pardon | Romans 8:13-14
¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.
¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.
- 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:

■ communion song
Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God
Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me, give me faith for what I cannot see, give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may Your joy be seen in all I do—
love enough to cover every sin in each thought and deed and attitude, kindness to the greatest and the least, gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace; breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation’s birth, giving life to all that God has made, show Your power once again on earth; cause Your church to hunger for Your ways. Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice, that in unity the face of Christ may be clear for all the world to see.

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- GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND
- song of response
There Is a Redeemer
There is a Redeemer—Jesus, God’s own Son, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit till Your work on earth is done.

Jesus my Redeemer, Name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory, I will see His face;
there I’ll serve my King forever, in that holy place.

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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