

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, complacency, 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 blue 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:
- Prayer after the worship service. For personal prayer, come to the front of the sanctuary where at least one elder is available to pray with you. Please don't continue struggling alone!
- Worship for children. Our Nursery is downstairs, available for newborn to age 4. Ages 5 through 2nd grade are welcome to attend Children's Church following the offertory.
- Simulcasts of the worship service in the Main Level Adult Education Room (Room 112) and Nursing Mothers Room downstairs (Room 009, near the Fellowship Hall). As you or your family have the need, please feel free to use these areas to continue your worship!
- Large-Print Bulletins. For assistance, see one of our greeters.
- Assistive Listening Devices. For assistance, see one of our audio technicians.
- Translation available • Se ofrece traducción • Traducción disponible • Hear in Spanish, French, and Farsi every Sunday during the 9am service. For more details, see one of our ushers.
- Ministry Information. Please visit our 'information' table in the lobby for more info.

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

Baptisms. The next baptism is on June 21st. If you would like to have your child or children baptized, please reach out to Bailey Rolland at bailey.rolland@alexandriapres.org.
Vacation Bible School - God's Sola System of Salvation - June 22-26. Register by the end of the day. This is a great opportunity for outreach and to invite neighborhood children. This year's VBS is full of exciting twists and turns through the solar system as we learn the truths of the Reformation: Sola Scriptura, Solus Christus, Sola Gratia, Sola Fide, and Soli Deo Gloria. Rising Kindergarteners through rising 5th graders will experience the Gospel through "Sola System" songs, crafts, games, skits, and more! So don't wait... "3, 2, 1... Blast off! Register in "APC Sign-Ups."
Want to experience the fun of serving at VBS (8:45 AM – 12:00 PM)? Rising 6th graders through 17-year-olds are invited to sign up and join our VBS volunteer team! It takes a whole crew to make this week possible, and we also need an army of adults (ages 18 and older) to help lead and serve. Register in "APC Sign-Ups". Registration closes today for both kids and volunteers.
For the safety of all children and youth, all adult volunteers must be Care & Safety certified with APC before serving. Questions? Please contact amanda.petelik@alexandriapres.org.

Women's Ministry Summer Opportunities. Women of APC, join us for a summer of choose your own adventure(s)! New items will be periodically added.
Reading and Reflection in the fellowship hall lobby - On Reading Well by Karen Swallow Prior
Whether you're an avid reader or looking to go deeper in what it means to read well, we'd love to have you join us this summer for rich conversation and community. We'll meet three times through the course of the summer, so feel free to join us for one or all of these as we discuss:
The Cardinal Virtues - June 18 at 6pm; Light dinner provided
The Theological Virtues - July 10 at 12pm
The Heaven Virtues - August 15 at 10am
See our website for more details. Questions? Please contact Ginger Horton at ghorton@gmail.com.

Morning Meditation - The Psalms, APC Classroom 114
7:30am-8:30am or 10:30am-11:30am; same content at both
The Psalms often mirror our human emotions, help ground us in gospel truth, and deepen our connection with God. Come linger in God's word with us, turning it into a time of personal conversation with Him through prayer. We will focus on a different Psalm each week. Coffee and small breakfast bites provided. Virtual option for 7:30am only. Contact Shannon Allen for a link and with any questions - shannon.allen@alexandriapres.org.
Dates: Monday, July 6
Tuesday, July 14
Wednesday, July 22
Thursday, July 30
Friday, August 7

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRY WORKERS

- Hospitality: Gladys Acevedo, Sarah Stansfield
Nursery: This Week (9am): Jonerik Blank, Chase Chesser, Jamie Connelly, Rick and Sara Eppright, Nathan Fleischaker, Kristi Hellmuth, Andrew Hobold, Evan and Maureen Ward
This Week (11am): Catherine Chae, Juliet Edem, Laura Erickson, Andrew Hobold, Drew and Sally Lindsay
Next Week (9am): Laurianne Datchoua, Patricia Kodjo, Laurie LeRoy, Kathy McGee, Joe Mugg, Juliana Richardson, Jeremy Root, Rocky Ward, Justin and Amy Wells-Morgan
Next Week (11am): Mark Adams, Kendra Howard, Gina Mitchell, Jo Porwoll, Carmen Rives, Margaret Veenstra
Children's Church: 9am: Adam Davis and Madison Johnson, Tom and Amanda Petelik
11am: Allison Rivera
Tech Team: Liz Crowley, Connor Johnson, Will Roberts, Justin Root, Keith Zimmerman
Greeters: 9am: Joe Cho, Zach and Katie Beth Hensley, Patricia Kodjo
11am: Richard and Melinda Douglass, Kristi Hellmuth

KEY EQUIPPING

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. Adult equipping opportunities have ended for the year and will resume in August.

Announcements cont'd:
Join us for The Glorious Mess Level 1a workshop. Hosted at New Hope Church in Lorton, VA on Saturday, July 18 from 9am-4:30pm. It all begins with The Glorious Mess, a dive into the paradox of human life. As people, we can be such a mess and yet through Christ, we can gloriously reflect His light. We are essentially...a Glorious Mess. Find more details and payment information in the weekly emails or "APC Sign-Ups."

APC short-term mission trips. Several of our APC members will be traveling to serve the world this year. We have a team going to Paraguay (July 25-August 3) and a team going to Japan (November 13-22). Both of these teams are serving alongside missionaries who have a long-time relationship with APC. If you would like to support one (or both!) of these teams financially, scan the QR code "APC Sign-Ups" and click Donate. Be on the look out for future fundraising opportunities!

Connect with APC, APC Sign-Ups, Give to APC, Vision 2026 Webpage. Four QR codes are provided for each category.

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.

Holy Worship Service

GOD INVITES HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

■ prelude

We encourage you to find a seat to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

■ call to worship | *Tom Holliday, Senior Pastor*

Psalm 130

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! ²O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

³ If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

⁵ I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

⁶ my soul waits for the Lord

more than watchmen for the morning,

more than watchmen for the morning.

⁷ O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

⁸ And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of praise

From the Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation;

Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication.

If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark,

Men: O who shall stand before Thee? (*Women:* who shall stand before Thee?)

O who shall stand before Thee? (who shall stand before Thee?)

To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth;

our works, alas! are all in vain; in much the best life faileth.

No man can glory in Thy sight; all must alike confess Thy might

and live alone by mercy, (live alone by mercy,)

and live alone by mercy. (live alone by mercy.)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit;

on Him my soul shall rest; His Word upholds my fainting spirit.

His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort, and my sweet support;

I wait for it with patience, (wait for it with patience,)

I wait for it with patience. (wait for it with patience.)

What though I wait the live-long night, and till the dawn appeareth,

my heart still trusteth in His might, it doubteth not nor feareth;

do thus, O ye of Israel’s seed, ye of the Spirit born indeed,

and wait till God appeareth, (wait till God appeareth,)

and wait till God appeareth. (wait till God appeareth.)

Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more aboundeth;

His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.

Our Shepherd, good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free

from all their sin and sorrow, (all their sin and sorrow,)

from all their sin and sorrow. (all their sin and sorrow.)

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■ prayer of adoration

GOD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

■ scripture reading | *Sarah Williams (9am); Cynthia Oviatt (11am)*

Matthew 6:7-15 (pg. 761)

⁷ “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that

they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what

you need before you ask him. ⁹ Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

¹⁰Your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread,

¹² and forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³ And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵ but if

you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of praise

Jesus, Strong and Kind

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to Him.

No one else can satisfy; I should come to Him.

Jesus said if I am weak, I should come to Him.

No one else can be my strength; I should come to Him.

For the Lord is good and faithful; He will keep us day and night.

We can always run to Jesus— Jesus, strong and kind.

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to Him.

No one else can be my shield; I should come to Him.

Jesus said if I am lost, He will come to me,

and He showed me on that cross, He will come to me.

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■ congregational prayer

■ offertory prayer | *Jeremy Root (9am); Rob Pittman (11am)*

■ presentation of tithes and offerings

■ offertory | *Adult Choir (9am)*

This Love of God

This love of God, vast beyond measure, wider than the sky above.

This love of God, a priceless treasure; wondrous gift, this love of God.

Neither life nor death, nor angels nor rulers,

nor the present, nor things to come;

neither height nor depth, nor anything in all creation

can separate us from this love of God.

This love of God, perfect and holy; spotless One, His Son, Jesus.

This love of God, behold His glory; matchless gift, this love of God.

O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong!

It shall forevermore endure—this love of God.

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Music Group).

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

Matthew 18:21-35 (pg. 773)

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive

him? As many as seven times?” ²² Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-

seven times. ²³ “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle

accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten

thousand talents. ²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and

children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring

him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of

that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found

one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him,

saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience

with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the

debt. ³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they

went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³² Then his master summoned him and

said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And

should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And in anger his

master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will

do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

■ prayer for illumination

■ sermon | *Matt Roberts, Pastor of Church Planting*

“Guilt and Anger”

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:

Not What My Hands Have Done

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul.

Not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole.

Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God.

Not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin.

Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within.

Thy love to me, O God— not mine, O Lord, to Thee!—

can rid me of this dark unrest and set my spirit free.

These guilty hands are raised— filthy rags are all I bring,

and I have come to hide beneath Your wings.

These holy hands are raised— washed in the fountain of Your grace,

and now I wear Your righteousness.

Thy grace alone, O God, to me can pardon speak.

Thy pow’r alone, O Lamb of God, can this sore bondage break.

No other work but Thine; no other blood will do;

no strength but that which is divine can bear me safely through.

I praise the God of grace; I trust His truth and might.

He calls me His, I call Him mine— my God, my joy, my light!

My Lord has saved my life, and freely pardon gives.

I love because He first loved me; I live because He lives!

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GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

■ song of response

Not What My Hands Have Done

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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