



ALEXANDRIA COVENANT CHURCH

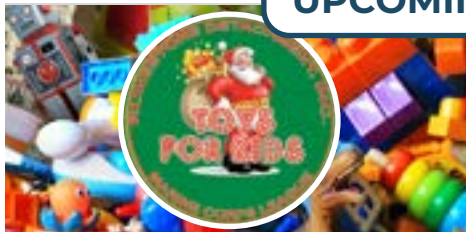
DECEMBER 2021

Sunday Worship: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am

WELCOME! It's our sincere desire that you are welcome and at home here at Alexandria Covenant Church. Please stop by the Welcome Center and ask for a **Guest Guide** to help you become familiar with our church family.

Find details at alexandriacovenant.org or on our church app.

UPCOMING EVENTS



TOYS FOR KIDS

We are partnering with our local Marine Corps League and Love INC to bless in need families in our community this Christmas. You can be a part by donating new toys to the bins located at church entrances through December 12.



ISRAEL TRIP

March 20-31, 2022

Experience a biblical tour of Israel with Pastor Trinity. Details at the Welcome Center. Registration deadline is December 20.

**“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son,
and they will call him Immanuel ”** (which means “God with us”).

Matthew 1:23

LOVING JESUS. BECOMING LIKE JESUS. SHARING JESUS.



Advent is the time when millions of Christians gather to celebrate the birth of the Savior of the World. It is a time to reflect on what it means that Jesus fulfilled several of the Old Testament prophecies about the coming Messiah at His birth. Christmas is a time to celebrate *A Promise Fulfilled* by God through the birth of His Son, Jesus Christ, that brings hope, peace and joy to the world.

DECEMBER 12

Jesus - God with Us!

Pastor Dave Mergens

DECEMBER 19

Jesus - Human Like Us!

Pastor Trinity Opp

DECEMBER 24

Jesus - Savior for Us!

Pastor Trinity Opp

DECEMBER 26

The Child with Four Names

Pastor Gregg Donnelly

MEN'S FOOTBALL & FOOD

December 9 | 6:30 pm | Patio

Men, come watch the Vikings vs. Steelers with other men from our church. Bring an appetizer to share!

WOMEN'S NIGHT OF CONNECTION

December 13 | 6:00 pm | Patio

Come for a festive night of games, cookie decorating, caroling and conversation. Wear your favorite Christmas sweater!

CHRISTMAS COOKIES

Share the gospel by baking cookies that are delivered to the jail during the week of Christmas. Please no nuts or peanut butter. Bring cookies to church freezer by December 19.

CHRISTMAS BREAK

December 22 & 29

No Awana or youth groups.

December 26 & January 2

No Sunday School.

BIBLES BY THE BEDSIDE

January - April 2022

Bibles by the Bedside is a Bible reading incentive program that encourages 1st - 9th grade students to spend time **daily** in God's Word. Details at Covenant Kids Welcome Desk.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ONE YEAR BIBLE READ THROUGH

Beginning January 1

Deepen your faith and familiarity with God's Word by reading through the Bible in 2022. Join your Alexandria Covenant Church family to read the One Year Bible together!

Plans are available through our church app, a monthly handout or pick up a copy of the One Year Bible in the Patio for a \$10 suggested donation. Bibles available beginning December 12.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Are you in financial need? There are resources available to regular attendees of Alexandria Covenant Church through the Benevolence Fund. Call Sam Williams, 320.763.5659, with requests.

Give to the Benevolence Fund through our app, website or designated check.

CHURCH LIFE

NEWBORN

- **Cameron Paul Jr.** born November 15 to Cameron & Lindsey Nyberg.

BAPTISMS

- **Tanner Anthony**, son of Tony & Amy Lesnar
- **Eden Nicole**, daughter of Riley & Nicole Rosengren

DEDICATION

- **Laec Eoghan**, son of Phil & Jenna Tolbert

DEATH

Please remember this family in your prayers.

- **Kyle Sands grandfather, Pastor Gerald Stenberg**, passed away October 26.

FINANCIAL REPORT

(Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Weekly Ministry Needs

\$35,000

Year to Date Budget Needs

\$770,000

Year to Date Weekly Giving

\$742,760

STAFF

Trinity Opp
Senior Pastor

Sam Williams
Church Administrator

Dave Mergens
Pastor of
Adult Formation

Gregg Donnelly
Pastor of
Connection & Care

Brian Farka
Pastor of
Student Ministry

Sarah Erickson
Director of Middle School
Ministry

Nancy Holm
Director of
Worship Ministry

David LeVahn
Director of
Technical Ministry

Chanda Winkels
Pastor of Children's
Ministry

Jamie DeBoer
Director of Nursery
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Sue Davids
Facility Assistant

Cheri Timm
Administrative Assistant

Marie Coffman
Office Assistant/First
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Michelle Heem
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Christmas Season

DECEMBER 12

Cantata Worship

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am

The adult and kids choirs will lead us in worship with, *A Noel Celebration*. Pastor Dave begins our Christmas sermon series, *A Promise Fulfilled*.

DECEMBER 19

Covenant Kids Worship

9:30, 11:00 am

You will be welcomed by the joyous sound of ringing bells by the elementary bell choir when you arrive at church. The preschool students will sing their Christmas praises during worship.

DECEMBER 23 & 24

Christmas Worship

December 23 | 6:00 pm

December 24 | 11:00 am, 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm

The birth of Jesus brings hope, peace and joy to the world. We look forward to celebrating with you! RSVP on church app or website to help us plan for you!

DECEMBER 26

Carol Worship

9:30, 11:00 am

Join us for festive Christmas carols and a message by Pastor Gregg. There is no 8:00 am service.

Serving Opportunities

SIGN UP AT TABLE IN PATIO

DECEMBER 12

Covenant Kids Church | 8:00 am - 2 volunteers

Covenant Kids Church | 11:00 am - 2 volunteers

DECEMBER 19

Covenant Kids Church | 8:00 am - 2 volunteers

Covenant Kids Church | 11:00 am - 2 volunteers

DECEMBER 23

6:00 pm

Nursery - 8 volunteers

Ushers - 6 volunteers

Greeters - 6 volunteers

Floating Greeters - 4 volunteers

Welcome Desk Host - 1 volunteer

DECEMBER 24

11:00 am, 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm

Nursery - 8 volunteers at each service

Ushers | 11:00 am, 2:00 pm - 6 volunteers at each service

Greeters - 6 volunteers at each service

Floating Greeters - 4 volunteers at each service

Welcome Desk Host - 1 volunteer at each service

DECEMBER 26

Covenant Kids Church | 9:30 am - 2 volunteers

Covenant Kids Church | 11:00 am - 2 volunteers

Nursery | 9:30 am - 5 volunteers

Nursery | 11:00 am - 5 volunteers