

Alexandria Covenant Church

November 3, 2024 | 8:00 am (Traditional) 9:30 & 11:00 am (Contemporary)

Sunday Evening Prayer

Tonight | 6:00 pm | Great Room

Join us in prayer over the requests of our church family. Fill out a yellow prayer card and drop it in the offering plate or submit your request online.



Small Groups 101: The Who, What, and Why of Small Groups

Today | 11:00 am | Gym -OR-

November 7 | 6:30 pm | S100

Small groups: What are they? Do I really want to be part of one? What is the commitment? Should I facilitate a study? I have ideas, but where do I go? Been there, done that, what more is there to know? I want to be in one but there isn't one for me. Who is Holly Crowser and what is her role? All of these questions will be answered and more in this one-time class. Think of this as your next first step in joining a small group. Childcare available.



[Click to sign up!](#)

Women's Study: Just Open the Door

November 5 | 6:30 pm | S101B

Over 7 sessions together, we'll look to Jesus as our model for hospitality. Discover how He lived a life full of interruptions, yet always welcomed people and invited them to follow Him. Learn to replace cultural expectations with biblical hospitality to create a legacy of invitation and reflect Jesus through simple acts of service. Questions? Kelly Hein, 507.313.1659.



[Click to sign up!](#)

Cookies for Jail Ministry

Be a blessing and share the gospel with inmates this Thanksgiving by baking cookies! Please label and keep cookies nuts and peanut butter-free. Bring cookies to the downstairs freezer by November 24. Questions? Contact MaryAnn Barsness, 320.808.0228.

Covenant Kids Congo

Hear an update from the work being done by Covenant Kids in the Congo through the partnership with World Vision! Pick up a copy of their newsletter at the Welcome Desk.



Interested in becoming a volunteer?

Fill out this form to let us know where you'd like to plug in!

LOVING JESUS. BECOMING LIKE JESUS. SHARING JESUS.

Married Young Adults Connect Night & Upcoming Advent Study

Are you married and between the ages of 18-35? Are you looking for community with others in your life stage? Is finding ways to grow your faith as a couple an interest of yours? There are two ways to get connected—sign up for one or both! Childcare available. Questions? Megan Lenz, 320.491.7852

Join us for pizza and root beer floats on Nov. 7th from 6:30-8pm in the Patio!



[Click to sign up!](#)

Or join us for an Advent Bible Study on Thursday Nov 21, Dec 5th, Dec 12th and Dec 19th in room S100



[Click to sign up!](#)

Wednesday Night Meals

November 13 | 5:00 pm | Hall

Come for a meal together before Wednesday night activities! We will be serving baked ziti and chicken alfredo. Please sign up to help us plan for you and your family!



[Click to sign up!](#)



[Click to volunteer](#)

Young Adult Game Night

November 16 | 6:00 pm | Gym

Young adults (18-32), come enjoy a fun and relaxed evening of games, snacks, and good company! We'll have 9 Square, board games, and plenty of time to connect with others in our church community. Feel free to bring a friend—we'd love to see you there! Use door #6. Emma Schonberg, 320.424.8539.

HELP US REACH 1000 BOXES For Operation Christmas Child!



Pack a shoebox to drop off at church or build one online at:
<https://sampur.se/3ZQhsNb>

Collecting shoeboxes until November 20
4005 Dakota St, Alexandria • 320.763.5659





• TAKING THE NEXT STEPS IN OUR FAITH JOURNEY •

Welcome to the eighth edition of Next Steps Quarterly. As a church we long for people to read and engage scripture on their own. We are hoping this and the Resource Wall, located by the Patio, will allow you to explore different ways to grow in your engagement with the Bible and grow as a follower of Jesus.

In this edition of Next Steps Quarterly we will focus on the coming Advent season. Advent is a time to prepare our hearts and mind for the birth of Jesus where we experience Immanuel, God with us. We want to equip you and your family to make Jesus the reason for the season. More Advent resources located at the Resource Wall.



A Time for Wonder

A Time for Wonder is a 4-week devotional to help individuals, small groups, and families journey through the 2024 Advent season. Grab some friends and be intentional this Christmas season.

Our gift to you: One copy per household available at the Welcome Desk.

CHECK OUT THE RESOURCE WALL FOR MORE OPTIONS!



Advent for Exiles by Caroline Cobb

This resource will be a great companion as we wrap up the 1 Peter sermon

series, understanding our place as exiles in this world. The great hope for being an exile is knowing that Jesus has prepared a place for us but is also “Immanuel” God with us while we are here in this world.



RightNow Media: Advent by JD Grear

The Christmas story, or Advent, is more than a sentimental myth or a quiet manger scene

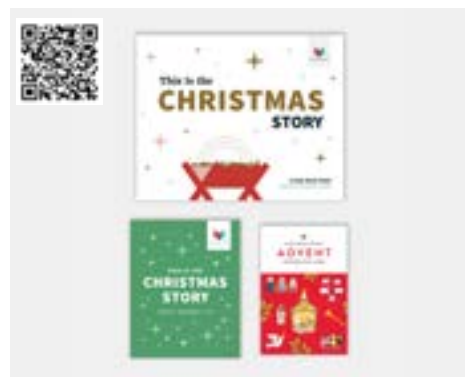
we use to decorate our living rooms. The Christmas story is the good news of God entering into our darkness. Join J.D. Grear in this four-session series as he takes a deeper look at Jesus as Emmanuel, our Wonderful Counselor, the Everlasting Father, and the great I Am. When you know Jesus, you will realize Christmas is more than a nice story—the arrival of Jesus changes everything. Do this one on your own or in community!



The Bible Recap

Looking for a great Christmas gift to jump start the new year? Have you ever closed your Bible and thought, What did I just read? Or maybe

you have tried to read through the Bible in a year, but quit when it felt confusing or impersonal. The Bible Recap is here to help. Tara-Leigh Cobble, host of the popular podcast The Bible Recap, walks readers through a one-year chronological Bible reading plan and explains each day's passage in an easy-to-understand way.



WIN ME!

Hey families! Looking for a great way to engage the Christmas story with your whole family? This set includes a book with the Christmas story, advent conversation cards and an ornament set. Visit the Resource Wall to enter to win. The winner will be chosen the week before Advent.

ENTER THE MONTHLY DRAWING AT THE RESOURCE WALL!

Weekly Attendance & Giving

Sunday, October 27, 2024

**Total
In-person**
743

**Total
Online**
288

**Weekly Giving
(General Fund)**
\$29,011.12

**Weekly
Need**
\$43,624.00

**YTD
Giving**
\$647,813.20

**YTD
Need**
\$741,608.00

Growing God's Kingdom

Goal: \$1,750,000.00

Outstanding Need: \$550,759.28

CONTRIBUTIONS

Campaign Contributions YTD	Total Pledged Outstanding
\$1,337,591.63	\$161,649.09

How to Give Online to the Capital Campaign:

1. Scan the QR code and click "Give" or go to our giving page on our app and website.
2. Select "Growing God's Kingdom Capital Campaign" from the fund dropdown and enter amount.



Groups & Studies

Sunday, Nov. 3

Young Adult Bible Study
11:00 am | S101

Monday, Nov. 4

Men's Inductive Bible Study
Noon | GR200

GriefShare

5:00 pm | GR200

Celebrate Recovery

6:30 pm | Hall

Tuesday, Nov. 5

Sew to Share

9:00 am | H102

Just Open the Door (Women)

6:30 pm | S101B

Wednesday, Nov. 6

Koffee & Kare

9:00 am | Family Room

Thursday, Nov. 7

Seniors 65+ Bible Study

1:30 pm | Patio

Friday, Nov. 8

Men's Friday Bible Study (Book of Ezekiel)

6:15 am | GR200

Saturday, Nov. 9

Men of Mighty Prayer

8:00 am | GR200

Connect with Us

We have many areas for you and your family to get plugged in! Between Sunday school classes, Wednesday night youth activities, small groups, care groups, and prayer nights, there is something for everyone no matter who you are.

Listen to past sermons, check out upcoming events, sign up for small groups and studies, and look at what all our ministries have to offer on our website at alexandriacovenant.org or on our church app available for free on both the Google Play Store and App Store.

Get connected into the life of the church and join us in our walk with God. Life is better together.



Give

Support the ongoing ministry of Alexandria Covenant Church by giving at the end of the service or through our website or app.

Prayer Requests

Do you have a prayer request or something you would like prayer over? After the service our Prayer Team will come up and be there to pray with you over any requests.

We also have prayer request cards in the pew that you can fill out and drop in the offering plate to be prayed over on our Sunday Evening Prayer services. You can also submit requests online on our website or church app.

New to Alexandria Covenant Church?

Welcome! It's our sincere desire that you are welcome and at home here at Alexandria Covenant Church. Stop by the Welcome Desk for a **Visitor Bag** to help you become familiar with our church family.

Let us know who you are! Fill out a Connect Card in the pew or online and drop it in the offering plate.



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