

Alexandria Covenant Church

March 23, 2025 | 8:00 am - Traditional, 9:30 & 11:00 am - Contemporary

Adult Sunday School: Learn to Read Biblical Hebrew!

Starting today | 6 sessions 9:30 am | Gym | No signup required Learning to read Hebrew will open up a whole new world of understanding, strengthen your faith and dramatically increase your Biblical knowledge! I can personally attest to this! Craig Bjerke, 320.219.8159

Ruth: Loss, Love, & Legacy by Kelly Minter

Starting tonight | 6:00 pm | S100 Come for a 7-week women's Bible study of Ruth's journey of unbearable loss, redeeming love, and divine legacy. This study delves into the virtuous character of Ruth, her unique relationship with her mother-in-law Naomi, and her blossoming love with Boaz. If you've ever felt devastated, struggled as a stranger, longed to be loved, or wept along the way, you'll find a loyal sister in Ruth. Gretchen Jeseritz, 320.491.8418

Finding God Faithful

Starting March 25 | 6:30 pm | S100 In this 8-session women's Bible study, we will trace the path of Joseph's life in the book of Genesis to observe how God's sovereignty reigns, even in our darkest moments. Questions? Kelly Hein, 507.313.1659



Click to sign up!

Young Married Couples Easter Study

Starting March 27 | 6:30 pm | S100 Are you a young married couple (18-35) and looking for connection? Join us in a study this month on Easter! We will be taking a deep dive into the life of Jesus, his death and resurrection, and how we should see ourselves in Jesus' story. Childcare available. Questions? Megan Lenz, 320.491.7852.



Click to sign up!



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Friday Night at the Movies

March 28 | 5:45 pm Concessions

Everyone is welcome to come enjoy a fun night of entertainment! Choose from one of 3 movie options, we've got something for everyone from littles to adults. Movie theatre popcorn and water will be provided. Doors open at 5:45 pm, all movies will start 6:00 pm.







G Family Room

PG-13 Great Room

PG Patio

Men's Wild Game

March 29 | 5:00 pm | Patio

Come cheer on the Minnesota Wild as they play the New Jersey Devils. Watch all the action on a 14' screen! Pop will be provided. Bring a snack to share.

Matchless by Angie Smith (Women's Study)

Starting March 31 | 6:00-8:00 pm 2098 Svaboda Drive SE, Alexandria

As you dive into Jesus' message, miracles, and mission, you'll be challenged and invited to see him in a new light whether you've walked with Him for many years or are meeting Him for the first time. This is an 8-week study. Costs \$20 for the book and video access. Steph Tvrdik, 320.815.7942

The Promise and Power of Easter (Women's Study)

Starting April 2 | 6:30 pm | S100 Join us in this 4-week study that walks through the details of Jesus' life, agony of His death, and the overwhelming joy of His resurrection. Relive His steps with a heart full of hope and see it all with eyes of faith. Questions? Ashley Eckhoff, 320.293.6577



Click to sign up!

"Life of Christ in Context" Seminar

Fri., April 4 | 6:00-8:30 pm
Sat., April 5 | 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Dr. John DeLancey from Biblical Israel
Ministries & Tours will host a seminar
about the life and ministry of Jesus
in the context of 1st century Israel by
diving deep into the world of historical
geography, archaeology, the Hebraic
background of Jesus, and the customs
and culture of the Bible.



Click to sign up!

Cookies for Jail Ministry

Bring to freezer by April 15

Be a blessing and share the gospel with inmates this Easter by baking cookies! Please label and keep cookies nut and peanut butter-free. Questions? MaryAnn Barsness, 320.808.0228

Text ACCNEWS to (844) 415-0031 to receive the bulletin Saturday nights



EQUIPPING RURAL PASTORS & LEADERS TO BE "ROOTED & RESILIENT"

This past weekend we had the chance to host the 4th annual "Rural Impact **Leadership Conference**". This one-day training event is intentionally designed to equip rural and small-town pastors and leaders as they minister to and serve in their local contexts. We know that God is working in powerful ways through these pastors and leaders as they serve their communities and we are grateful for this opportunity to help create a space where they can feel encouraged, equipped, and refreshed. We want to give a huge shoutout to our amazing team of volunteers and our staff for making this a welcoming and warm place to be and for serving in a way that reflected Jesus.

It was so fun to see our church filled with ministry leaders sharing, learning, and growing with one another. Despite having to brave a blizzard warning, we still had many attend in person and



Grateful for our conference partners

had leaders join virtually from seven states and several from Canada as well. We often hear from leaders that rural ministry can feel isolating, but having this kind of space to grow and learn together, to be resourced in ways that fit their context, and to be surrounded by people who understand what it's like to minister in rural communities, is such an encouragement. The conference featured two main sessions, times of connection, and a wide variety of breakout options throughout the day.









The main sessions included worship and two speakers: Dr. Martin Giese, who is the President of Oak Hills Christian College, and Rev. Kara Stromberg, who is the Superintendent of the Northwest Conference of the ECC. Both speakers framed their message around this question: How do we stay effective in our calling to the mission of the Church in what may be the most difficult and complex time in history?

The breakout sessions addressed a variety of topics from developing teams and leaders, to suicide prevention and trauma care, to ministering to Gen Alpha, encouraging revitalization in the church, and managing stress as a church leader. We were also able to share proven resources at no cost with those who wanted them. Two full sets of children's curriculums and about 70% of books went to new homes.









As a church we feel that God has uniquely equipped and positioned us to be able to come alongside and support those serving in rural communities. Getting to be a part of this conference each year is one way that we are intentional about living into that and we are grateful for the ways our church family generously and prayerfully supports God's ongoing work in and through our church.





And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the day drawing near. (Hebrews 10:24-25)







Traditional & Contemporary Worship



Learn more at ruralimpact.church



The church will be ordering flowers to decorate during Easter weekend.

If you would like to remember a loved one in this way, please fill out the form below, include payment and place in the offering plate by April 7. Please take your flowers home after the 11:00 am service on April 20.

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Relationship		
n Honor of Relationship		
☐ Tulips - \$14.00 ☐ Hyacinths - \$14.00 ☐ Hydrangeas - \$40.00		
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Weekly Attendance & Giving

Sunday, March 16, 2025

Total In-person 787 Total Online

Weekly Giving (General Fund) \$39,471,44

Weekly Need \$43.624.00

YTD Giving \$1,592,654.28 YTD Need \$1,614,088.00

Growing God's Kingdom

Goal: \$1,750,000.00

Outstanding Need: \$435,835.06

CONTRIBUTIONS

Campaign Total Pledged
Contributions YTD Outstanding

\$1,187,875.85 \$126,289.09

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, March 23

Young Adult Bible Study 11:00 am | S100

Monday, March 24

Men's Inductive Bible Study Noon | GR200

Celebrate Recovery

6:00 pm | Hall

Wednesday, March 26

Koffee & Kare

9:00 am | Family Room

Thursday, March 27

Senior 65+ Bible Study

1:30 pm | Patio

Young Adult Bible Study

6:00 pm | H102

Friday, March 28

Men's Friday Bible Study (1 & 2 Timothy)

6:15 am | GR200

Saturday, March 29

Men of Mighty Prayer 8:00 am | GR200

New Groups & Studies



Looking to get connected to the church through a study? Scan to see all upcoming groups.

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.

