

The Theological Umbrella of the Covenant Church

Today | Room S100

11:00 am - 12:15 pm

Do you wonder what the Evangelical Covenant Church believes and why? Often I will say "it needs to fit under the theological umbrella of the Covenant Church" what does that even mean? Come to this one time leadership class to grow in your understanding of what theology is and how the Covenant Church puts theology into practice. Holly Crowser, 715.577.8401



[Click to sign up!](#)

Hope for the Journey: Simulcast Training

Friday, October 30 | 8:30-5:00 pm

Great Room | Costs \$25

Designed to equip parents, caregivers, church communities, and professionals caring for children, particularly those impacted by adoption and/or foster care. This is a simulcast training opportunity teaching on topics including an introduction to TBRI® (Trust-Based Relational Intervention) and how to think about correction. Lunch will be provided. Certificate of training will be given to all attendees.



[Click to sign up!](#)

Guarding Hearts of Grandchildren

Sundays starting November 1

9:30-10:30 am | Room H103

Grandparents have a unique role and biblical calling to spiritually influence their grandchildren. This is a 3-session course that equips grandparents to help guide their grandchildren in understanding God's good design and plan for sex, marriage, children, and identity. Culture will tell your grandchildren what to believe; they must hear biblical truth from people they can trust, that includes their grandparents! Rooted in Proverbs 4:23 (Guard your heart) and Proverbs 13:22 (Leave an inheritance to your children's children), the course encourages grandparents to share biblical truths about sexual integrity and God's protective design. This course is to encourage and support you in the biblical calling of being an intentional Christian grandparent. Connie Ferris, 320.219.1454



[Click to sign up!](#)

Fall Fest

November 1 | 5:00-7:30 pm

Get ready for an evening of food, flannels, and fellowship at Fall Fest! From 5:00 to 6:15, enjoy a hearty meal with pulled pork, chips, cole slaw, fruit, bars and cookies, and apple cider punch downstairs in the fellowship hall. There will be games and activities

for all ages to enjoy. Then, from 6:30 to 7:30, come upstairs join us for a special blended worship time featuring hymns, contemporary worship songs, and kids' worship favorites. Be sure to dress in your favorite flannel! Invite your friends and family for a cozy and fun fall celebration.

The Lord's Prayer: Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays starting November 4
Noon - 1:00 pm | Room H103

The Lord's Prayer provides a foundational model given by Jesus Himself to teach, correct, and guide our hearts toward meaningful communion with the Father. In this study, we dive into the context of the Lord's Prayer, the Sermon on the Mount, to understand how Jesus transformed our perspective on righteousness. By moving away from ritualistic or habit-based prayer, we learn to cultivate a relationship with God that flows from a heart of faith. Explore this rich theology of prayer and learn to worship God as He intended. Kerri Mattson, 320.815.0982



[**Click to sign up!**](#)

End of the Spear Movie

Sunday, Nov 8 | 6:30 pm | Patio

We will be showing a full-length feature film called "End of the Spear". This movie is the telling of the story of how five missionaries, in their attempt to reach a native tribe in the jungles of Ecuador with the gospel, were all tragically killed. Film is rated PG-13 because of a few violent scenes. Parental discretion is advised. Childcare (ages 0-10) provided.

End of the Spear "Telling of the Story"

Sunday, Nov 15 | 6:30 pm | Patio

Come hear an incredible, first-hand time of sharing from Phil Saint, the younger son of missionary pilot, Phil Saint. Phil's father lost his life bringing the gospel to the Waoroni natives living in the Amazon forest in eastern Ecuador. Five missionaries lost their lives along with Nate Saint, including Jim Elliot. Don't miss an amazing opportunity to hear from Phil with a time for Q&A! Childcare (ages 0-3) provided. Pastor Mitch, 320.763.5659

Barnabas Book Club

Nov 10 | Noon | Fireside Room

The Barnabas Book Club focuses on spiritual formation and meets every other month at noon on Tuesdays. The book up for discussion on November 10th is *The Good and Beautiful Community* by James Bryan Smith. Purchase it on your own or pick up a copy at the Welcome Desk for a suggested donation. Questions? Kelsey Langager, 320.808.9581



[**Click to sign up!**](#)

Nursery Volunteer Opportunity

Do you love caring for little ones? We're looking for kind, dependable volunteers! Serve every week or serve once a month! You can make a big difference in our kids' formative years. Serving in the nursery allows parents to worship, knowing their little ones are cared for with love. Interested? Megan Lenz at 320.491.7852 or Pastor Chanda at 320.763.5659

New Hire: Pastor of Senior Adults and Visitation

We're excited to share some great news! Starting Sunday, November 1st, Jenn Tjepkes will be joining our staff as the Pastor of Senior Adults and Visitation. This part-time role will focus on shepherding and caring for our senior adults and providing support and encouragement through visitation. Jenn comes from Church of the Open Door in Maple Grove. She was the Associate Pastor of Formational Life. She is married to Chad, and has a daughter Maya, son Hunter and daughter-in-law Liz. She loves monster cookies, painting, and being outdoors! She is so excited to be here and meet you all! We're grateful to welcome Jenn to our team and look forward to the ways this ministry will continue to serve and care for our church family.



Experience the Lands of the Bible (optional Jordan extension)

October 23 - November 3, 2027

Limited seats, 25 spots available

Experience the Holy Land together as a church family! This is a 12 day tour of Israel with an optional 4 day Jordan extension hosted by Pastor Trinity. Pick up an informational packet and registration form at the Welcome Desk. Questions? Pastor Trinity, 320.763.5659

C.O.R.E. Bible Study Groups starting soon!

Are you looking for a men's Bible study that is 6 weeks long, has a start and stop date and focuses on a set of scriptures for an hour? C.O.R.E. Men's Bible Study is your opportunity to do just that and designed for any guy at any stage in their understanding of the scriptures. These 6 weeks will be focused on the 7 miracles or signs in the book of John. These signs are meant to show us who Jesus is and what He is like. They disclose to us what He cares about and point us back to God.

Check out these groups starting soon!



[Click to sign up!](#)

Chad Ferguson:

Thursdays, Nov 5-Dec 17 | 6:30-7:30 am
Common Ground Coffee Shop (upstairs)

Scott Hurlbut:

Wednesdays, Nov 4-Dec 9 | Noon-1:00 pm
GR200 Alexandria Covenant Church

Jim Emter:

Tuesdays, Nov 3-Dec 8 | 6:15-7:15 am
Van Ahn & Company, 690 Voyager Dr.
Suite 100

Ryan Rooney:

Sundays, Nov 8-Dec 13 | 6:30-7:30 pm
H100 Alexandria Covenant Church

Election Season: A Guide for Faithful Engagement

Available at the Welcome Desk

Pick up a copy of this guide created by church staff to help you prayerfully discern during this voting season.

HELP US REACH 1000 BOXES



Pack a shoebox to drop off at church or build one online at:

<https://sampur.se/4s5rXIv>

Collecting shoeboxes until November 19

4005 Dakota St, Alexandria • 320.763.5659



How to Pack Your Shoebox Gift

As you prayerfully prepare to pack your shoebox gift, please remember that your shoebox gift will be an expression of God's love to a child. In fact, it may be the only gift the child receives. So, plan to pack quality items that will last, **and don't forget to make it FUN!**

1

SHOEBOX

Get a standard size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl. Need shoeboxes? Great preprinted boxes are available on our website.



4

PRAY

Most importantly, **pray** for the child who will receive your gift. Include a personal note and photo to delight the heart of the child.



2

"WOW" ITEM

Select a quality **"wow"** toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal to bless a child.



5

DONATE \$10 PER BOX

A donation of **\$10** per box is critical to cover shipping and other project costs. For easiest processing you can give online. If you use our **Follow Your Box** feature online, you can also discover the destination of your shoebox!



3

OTHER GIFTS

Pack full with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.



6

DROP OFF

Take your shoebox gift to a local drop-off location during **National Collection Week, the third week in November**. Visit our website to find one near you.



[SAMARITANSPURSE.ORG/OCC](https://sampur.se/4s5rXIv)



Operation Christmas Child The Power of a Simple Gift

Churches in more than 100 countries distribute gift-filled shoeboxes to boys and girls during outreach events that focus on Jesus Christ, God's Greatest Gift.

232 = 232
MILLION MILLION

shoebox gifts
delivered since 1993.

Gospel
opportunities.

"Let the little children come to Me,
and do not forbid them; for of such
is the kingdom of God."

—Luke 18:16

11.9 MILLION

shoebox gifts collected in 2024.

134,000+

outreach events led by trained local church leaders.



The Greatest Gift
Gospel story booklet
accompanies
shoebox gifts.

Available in
118
LANGUAGES
with 10 additional
translations in progress.



More than
100 COUNTRIES

receive shoebox gifts for boys and girls.

11
NATIONS

collected shoeboxes in 2024:
Australia, Austria, Canada, Finland,
Germany, New Zealand,
South Korea, Spain, Switzerland,
United Kingdom, United States.

"It's the first present that I have
ever received. I'm so excited; tears
started to come down with joy in my
heart. I began feeling care and love."

—Lim, 12, accepted Christ as Savior



"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations."

MATTHEW 28:19

Weekly Attendance & Giving

Sunday, October 18, 2026

**Total
In-person**
728

**Total
Online**
390

**Weekly Giving
(General Fund)**
\$43,155.90

**Weekly
Need**
\$48,857.00

**YTD
Giving**
\$653,225.02

**YTD
Need**
\$781,727.00

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

Financial Assistance

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

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

Online Bulletin

Text ACCNEWS to 844.415.0031 to receive the digital version of the bulletin on Saturday nights.

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 each week. You can also submit requests online on our website or church app.



320.763.5659 | alexandriacovenant.org | 4005 Dakota Street
Office open Mon-Thu 8:00 am - 4:30 pm & Fri 8:00 am - Noon
Find us on social media    @alexandriacovenantchurch