ALEXANDRIA COVENANT CHURCH

November 15, 2026
8:00 am - Traditional
9:30 & 11:00 am - Contemporary

End of the Spear "Telling of the Story"

Tonight | 6:30 pm | Patio

Come hear an incredible, first-hand time of sharing from Phil Saint, the younger son of missionary pilot, Nate 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.

Wednesday Night Meals

November 18 | 5:00 pm | Hall

Come for a meal together before Wednesday night activities! We will be serving walking tacos. Please RSVP!

Click to sign up!

Click to volunteer



Women's Christmas Event

Friday, Nov 20 | 6:30-9:00 pm

Prepare Him Room is back—this time with a live speaker and worship. Holly Crowser will be teaching on John 1:1-14 and liturgical living to help us focus our hearts and minds this Advent season. Live worship provided by Alex & Toni Edwards. Open to teen girls and women so bring a friend! Desserts provided.

Click to sign up!

All Who Draw Near: Women's Advent Study

An Advent Bible study that focuses on the many journeys of the main characters of the Christmas story. We'll chart their travels and explore their stories as they made their way to the place where God "became flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14). Their first Christmas travels will inspire you to freshly behold the wonder and magnitude of Christ's entrance into the world and will challenge you to be diligent in your own joyful journey to know, love and reflect the Savior.

Tuesdays starting November 17
6:00-8:30 pm | S100

Childcare available for kids 10 and under. Kelly Hein, 507.313.1659

Click to sign up!

Wednesdays starting November 25
9:30-11:00 am | H103

Raydell Kleve, 763.458.3570

Click to sign up!

LOVING JESUS. BECOMING LIKE JESUS. SHARING JESUS.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Drop off shoeboxes by Nov 18

Help us reach our goal of sending 1,000 shoebox gifts to kids around the world and in doing so, sharing the gospel! Visit the table in the lobby to learn more.

Build shoebox

Bake Thanksgiving Cookies for Jail Ministry

Downstairs freezer by November 22

Be a blessing and share the gospel with inmates this Thanksgiving by baking cookies! Please label them as "Jail Ministry" and keep cookies nuts and peanut butter-free. Bring cookies to the downstairs freezer by November 22. MaryAnn Barsness, 320.808.0228.

Hope in Grief and Loss Over the Holidays

Sunday, Nov 22 | 12:30 pm | Fireside

This will be a place for those experiencing grief to process, be in community, and find tools to help with all emotions during the holiday season. No matter what brought about the grief, the holiday season can be extra heavy and we want to provide a place to support you. We will meet November 22 and January 10. Light snacks will be provided. Courtney Jessen, L.M.F.T., 651.236.0199

Scan to sign up!

His Kids Orphan Ministry Fundraiser

Sunday, Nov 22 | 5:30 pm | Gym

Come join us for a fun night of good food, kids activities, awesome auction items to bid on, and the opportunity to hear an adoption story from our speaker all while you are supporting adoption! His Kids' number one goal is to come alongside families who are pursuing adoption by giving grants to help with the high cost of adoption. We also want to support adoptive families by offering educational material designed for parents of adopted and foster care children.

Men's Movie Night

Sunday, Nov 22 | 6:00 pm | Patio

"Forge" is a powerful movie about a troubled young man and how a mentor, prayers, and faith impacted his life. Bring your son, your brother, that guy next door, you can even bring your dad and your weird uncle. Bring a snack to share. Movie theatre popcorn, bottled water, and pop will be provided.

The Patio: Friendsgiving

Nov 24 | 7:00-9:00 pm | Patio

Open to young adults! Come for a night of dinner, conversation, and a panel of wisdom. Featuring a panel representing each decade from 30's-90's, a mix of men and women, married and single, to answer "What I would have told my 20-something self about relationships, community, friendship, and marriage." You will be fed in more ways than one this night! Bring a friend!

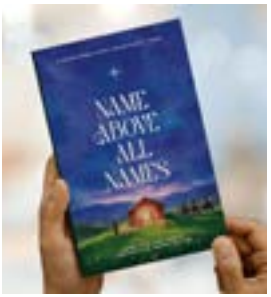
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Event info and signups are available online at alexandriacovenant.org/events

Thanksgiving Worship

Wednesday, Nov 25 | 6:30 pm

Join us for an evening of thanksgiving through worship, communion, and reflection. An offering will be taken to support Covenant World Relief, our Property Fund, and our Benevolence Fund. Afterwards, we will have a pie and ice cream fellowship time in the gym. Please bring a pie to share down in the kitchen prior to the service.



Available at the Welcome Desk

Join us again this year as we go through an all-church Advent devotional to keep our mind and heart on Jesus. The theme this year focuses on the Names of God. Readings start Sunday, November 29. Want to discuss it with others? Open to men and women.

Sundays starting November 29
9:30-10:45 am | Room H103

Click to sign up!

Let There Be Light: Women's Advent Study

Sundays starting November 29
11:00 am - 12:15 | Room H103

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world" John 8:12. Over the 5 weeks of this Advent reading plan, we will trace that light through scripture—from the first glimmers of creation to the guiding presence of God among His people to the star over Bethlehem and beyond. Along the way, we'll be reminded that we are called to reflect His light even now, as we wait with hope for the day when He comes again to be our light forever.

Holly Crowser, 715.577.8401

Click to sign up!

Joy of Every Longing Heart: Women's Advent

Advent is a gracious invitation to slow down and shift your focus from holiday pressures to the anticipation of Christ's presence. This study invites you to bring your exhaustion and your hopes to Him, discovering for yourself that He is truly the Joy of Every Longing Heart—the One who meets us exactly where we are.

Sundays starting November 29
5:00-6:30 pm | Fireside Room

Gretchen Jeseritz, 320.491.8418

Click to sign up!

Wednesdays starting December 2
Noon-1:00 pm | Room H103

Kerri Mattson, 320.815.0982

Click to sign up!

MN Adult & Teen Challenge Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 5 | 6:00 pm

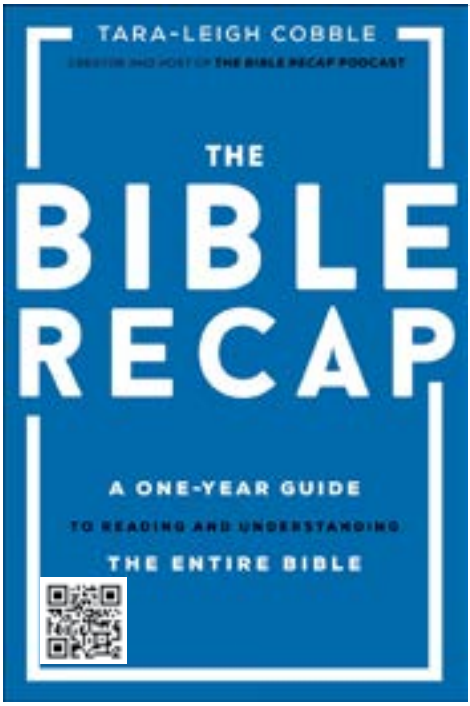
Enjoy an evening of joyous Christmas songs and worship praising our Savior hosted by the MN Adult & Teen Challenge Men's Choir. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Enjoy fellowship with the choir immediately following the concert with refreshments and desserts. Questions? Kellen Morrissey, 320.815.3321

Next Steps Quarterly

vol. 16

• TAKING THE NEXT STEPS IN OUR FAITH JOURNEY •

This edition of the *Next Steps Quarterly* is focused on Advent resources to bring depth and focus to your Christmas season for you and your entire family. It will also have great resources to start your new year in the Word of God along with some gift ideas. There are new resources, including the books listed here, at our Resource Wall for you to look through that will eventually end up in our church library for checking out.



The Bible Recap: A One-Year Guide to Reading and Understanding the Entire Bible (GREAT GIFT IDEA!)

Start Reading, Understanding, and Loving the Bible with this Companion Guide

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 with:

- 365 daily Scripture readings in chronological order
- Grasp the full story of the Bible—from Genesis to Revelation—like never before
- Daily reflections on God's character and faithfulness perfect for devotional reading
- Insightful but easy-to-understand summaries that will fortify your faith
- Each day's recap is only 2 pages and takes about 5 minutes to read
- Ideal for small-group Bible study, as a faith-forward gift, or for morning or evening devotions
- Use The Bible Recap alongside your regular Bible
- Join millions who've read the Bible for the first time with Bible Recap

This year we will offer a monthly discussion group at 11:00 am on the first Sunday of the month starting in February to stay accountable and talk about what you are reading.

ENTER THE MONTHLY DRAWING AT THE RESOURCE WALL!



The Questions Handbook by The Daily Grace Co.

Be equipped with clear, biblically supported truth for difficult questions about faith, culture, and the Bible.
If you've ever struggled to answer hard questions about God, the Bible, politics, or cultural issues, you're not alone. *The Questions Handbook* is your trustworthy, biblically rooted guide to finding clarity in the only place that matters: God's Word. This resource addresses over 120 common questions, ranging from the character of God to the complexities of modern politics. The responses are the result of deep study, prayer, and consultation with the work of professional theologians to ensure every answer is faithful to Scripture. We aim not just to satisfy your curiosity but to draw you closer to the heart of Jesus.

Made Like Me by Jen Wilkin

Teach Kids How God Made Us to Help and Care for One Another

Introduce kids ages 3-6 to God's good design for us to work together and help each other. Whether they're shy, sociable, timid, or convinced they can



"do it themselves," children will discover that we are wonderfully made to need one another. Beloved Bible teacher Jen Wilkin uses memorable rhymes and delightful storytelling to show kids that it's wonderful when we live, work, and play as a team. Starting with the story from Genesis 2 of Adam naming pairs of animals and then God creating Eve, this book lays a foundation for kids to discover...

"From these two came four and more,
Helpers, siblings, friends galore
Boys and girls all made to be
Partners in God's family."

With childlike simplicity and deep theological insight, Jen Wilkin shows kids that God has given us a gift in giving us each other.

Pilgrim's Progress Graphic Novel

Graphic Novel Reimagines John Bunyan's Beloved Classic

Pilgrim's Progress has inspired the lives of countless believers for centuries. This winding allegory follows

the tumultuous journey of a pilgrim traveling from the City of Destruction to the Celestial City. Brimming with hope and excitement while demonstrating the inevitable perils along the way, John Bunyan masterfully illustrates the Christian experience, helping readers of all ages understand the path to spiritual formation.



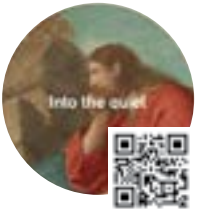
Faithful Adaptation: This condensed version takes great care to preserve John Bunyan's original language.
Compelling Artwork: Bold illustrations by artist Brent McKee are artistic treasures.
For Teens and Young Adults: Written for those 14 and older, this book invites a brand-new generation of readers to experience this beloved classic .
Timeless Biblical Truths: Explores the nature of the Christian life, warns against sin, and highlights the blessings of sanctification and salvation.
Chapter Reflections: Theological reflections located at the end of the book draw out spiritual truths and explain important characters and themes.



The Advent Storybook by The Daily Grace Co.

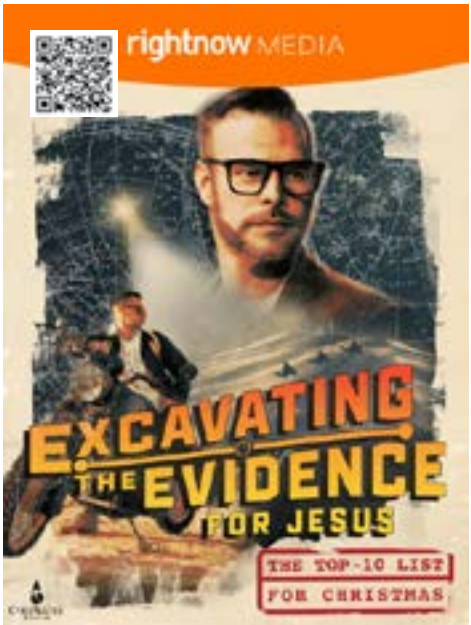
The Advent Storybook: From Creation to Christ is a 4-week Advent devotional that will help you and your family walk through the days of Advent with wonder and excitement as you see how God has prepared the way for Jesus's birth. Create a family tradition of anticipating Jesus throughout the Advent season. Learn the stories and truth found in Scripture, revealing Jesus as the center of it all. Reflect upon Jesus as your hope, peace, joy, and love.

Into the Quiet: Following Jesus in a World of Noise by John Mark Comer



Modern living is inundated with noise, busyness, and a digital cycle fueled by outrage and fear. We are anxious, overstimulated, exhausted, and bone-dry in our souls. We ache for God yet can barely pay

attention. Drawing on the wisdom of the contemplative tradition and spiritual practices that date back to the earliest centuries of the church, Comer invites readers to rediscover an ancient path of quiet, peace, and serenity—to step out of the chronic noise and constant motion of the modern world into the still, silent presence of the God of peace. What *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry* was to the speed of the modern world, this book is to the noise of it.



RightNow Media: Excavating the Evidence for Jesus

Archaeologist and author, Dr. Titus Kennedy, explores the scripture, history, archaeology, and evidence for the ancient world surrounding the birth of Jesus Christ. The home base for the series is Dr. Kennedy's research lair, a secret basement where he stores maps, slides, tools, and artifacts from his various excavations and adventures. In addition to teaching with a collection of old school resources, Titus treks outside his lair for special visits to Israel's archaeology sites and museums. Designed for all ages, *Excavating the Evidence for Jesus* is fun and educational, encouraging families to dig deeper into the Gospel accounts together.



The Bible Project Advent Series: Podcasts, Devotional, Videos, and Study Guides

The traditional Advent season invites participants into four weeks of deep reflection on the first advent, or arrival, of God in Jesus of Nazareth, as well as on his promised return. Explore resources on the four themes of hope, peace, joy, and love. This resource has everything you could want for engaging in the Advent season. Videos, podcasts, study guides and devotionals.

The YouVersion Bible App

The Most Downloaded and Used Bible App in the World

Built to help people create daily spiritual rhythms, the Bible App brings scripture to life on any device, in thousands of languages. All completely free. Whether it's a verse before school, a devotional with friends, or a shared prayer in a church group, this is more than an app. It's a community of people staying connected to God through His Word. Download and find devotions for Advent and for all year. You can even connect your account to our church!

Weekly Attendance & Giving

Sunday, November 8, 2026

Total In-person	Total Online
731	370

Weekly Giving (General Fund)	Weekly Need
$79,373.42	$48,857.00

YTD Giving	YTD Need
$825,070.47	$928,283.00

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.



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