


This week's Calendar ~ At a glance (subject to change-consult REMIND)

Pr. Amy is at *Family Camp* this week, leading groups with Pr. Christa Forsythe at *Green Lake Ministries* on Lake Andrew near New London/Spicer. We hope you can join us!

<p>Mon 8/19 Office hours 9a.m. - 1p.m. 10:30 a.m. Ecumenical Bible Study, Windmill Ponds Chapel – all welcome 5:30 Trustees Meeting 5:30 Adult Fellowship, Fat Daddy's</p> <p>Tues 8/20 Office hours 9a.m. - 1p.m. 9:30 a.m. Brush & Palette 6:30 p.m. Ala-non, Lounge</p> <p>Wed 8/21 Office hours 9a.m. - 1p.m. 4:15 p.m. to 7:00 pm Pizza Night Bricks to Bread dough making 7pm</p> <p>Thurs 8/22 Office hours 9a.m. - 1p.m. Bricks to Bread Baking day</p> <p>Fri 8/23 Offices are closed on Fridays.</p>	<p>Sat 8/24 5 pm Worship Team Practice</p> <p>Sun 8/25 9 am Worship</p> <p>Contact us: Pr. Amy's office hours are subject to change. It works best to contact her directly: 320-309-5574, pastor@alexumc.org. No Friday appointments.</p> <p>Main Office - Office Hours, M-Th, 9am – 1pm, Ginger Phone: 320-763-4624, Email: office@alexumc.org</p> <p>Treasurer, Cori Lecy, 1-507-829-6865, finance@alexumc.org.</p> <p>For online giving opportunities, go to www.alexumc.org and select "visit the giving page" in the left-hand navigation.</p> <p>Let's stay connected! All are encouraged to sign the blue books in the pews; include your contact information and let us know if you have any requests or if you would like the pastor to contact you.</p> 
--	---

Acknowledgements

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP: *Simple Gifts*, © public domain
SELAH: *Midsummer Nocturne*, composer Aaron Copland ASCAP Boosey and Hawkes work ID# 430292570
OFFERTORY: *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* arr. Anna Laura Page copyright 2013 Sound Forth permission One License
POSTLUDE: *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* arr. Anna Laura Page copyright 2013 Sound Forth permission One License

Opening Hymn: *UMH# 451 Be Thou My Vision* Ancient Irish, trans by Mary E. Byrne 1905; versed by Eleanor Hull, Music by Trad. Irish Melody harm by Colton Young © 1989 United Methodist publishing House harm © 1964 Abington Press. CCLI Song # 30639; CCLI #3027936
Congregational Hymn, *UMH# 632 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*, words by Percy Dearmer; music by Harold Friedell, words by permission of Oxford University Press, Music © 1957 renewed 1985 the H. W. Gray Co. CCLI Song # 171000; CCLI #3027936
Sending Hymn: *TFWS #2004 Praise the Source of Faith and Learning*, words by Thomas Troeger, Music by Rowland Prichard; harm from the *English Hymnal Words* © 1987 Oxford University Press Inc. CCLI Song # 3422034; CCLI #3027936
Doxology: *UMH #95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*, Words by Thomas Ken; music by Attr. to Louis Bourgeois. CCLI Song # 56204; CCLI #3027936

Scripture texts are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, © 1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA. All rights reserved. Used with permission. The Revised Common Lectionary. Vanderbilt Divinity Library. <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>. 2008. The scripture text for the Children's message today was from: Verses marked NIRV are from the New International Reader's Version (NIRV) Copyright © 1995, 1996, 1998, 2014 by Biblica, Inc.®. Used by permission. All rights reserved worldwide. Images: Images in our slide deck are from Vanderbilt University's library, used by permission from Discipleship Ministries UMC, https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=61#hebr_ew_reading. If there is an acknowledgement that is of particular interest to you and you do not see it listed here, please contact us at office@alexumc.org

Alexandria United Methodist Church

August 18, 2024

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year B, Gospel of Mark



Order of Service

*stand as you are able, in body and/or spirit

Gathering Words

Simple Gifts as Invocation and Call to Worship

Greeting and Welcome

***Opening Hymn, UMH# 632 Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether, vs 1&2**

Psalm 111, read responsively

Scripture Lesson, Ephesians 5:15-20

Bidding: Word of God, Word of Life

Response: Thanks be to God.

Selah - a time to pause, Midsummer Nocturne, all vs.

Offering on Scripture

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing of Backpacks

Prayers of the People

***Congregational Hymn UMH# 451 Be Thou My Vision, vs 1**

A Time for Generosity, I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Doxology, UMH #95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

Blessing and Benediction

***Sending Hymn, TFWS #2004 Praise the Source of Faith and Learning, vs 1**

Postlude, I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Sunday Ministry Team Assisting today ~ Thank you for your ministry!

Officiant: Pr. Amy VanValkenburg & Alyssa Saleem **Liturgist:** Kai Garcia, **Lay Leaders:** Scott Garvin and Chuck Holm, **Greeter/Ushers:** Chuck and Sharon Holm **Worship Team:** Pianist: Janet Eisele Guitar: Deb Parrott
Vocals: Scott Garvin, Sue Walker, Pr. Amy
Tech: Sawyer VanValkenburg, *YouTube*; Thomas VanValkenburg, *A/V*
Fellowship: Viva Lelm; Heidi Ryan **Bulletin/Slides:** Ginger Mayer & Pr. Amy

Please join us today in the Sanctuary after worship service 10:15 - 11:15 am Stories from Pakistan, Fellowship Hall

We are pleased to have another opportunity to host Seminarian Alyssa Saleem, with the added bonus of having her husband, Rev. Saleem, along! Rev. Saleem has recently been

accepted to Luther Seminary to study in one of the doctoral programs. He will share more about this news when he comes! Alyssa will be co-officiating service with Pr. Amy and immediately following, Rev. Saleem and Alyssa will share about recent and ongoing missions in Pakistan with their church. They will be sharing many pictures with their updates about our collaboration and support of their children's ministry project. At the end of the presentation, there will be a Q and A session - what would you like to know about Pakistan?

From our office Ginger will be on vacation August 15-22. Thank you to Merry Luchau and Phyllis Frier for office coverage. Reminder: our office is closed on Fridays/Saturdays. Pr. Amy is leading at Family Camp on Lake Andrew August 19-25.

Community Wood Fired Oven, August 21, 2024, 4:30-7:00 p.m. Non-profits: PEO and Matt Kjelland Memorial Foundation. Visit us online at <http://alexandriacommunitywoodfired.com/> or through the Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/UMCWoodFired>

Family Camp August 20-25 - ALL AGES!!! Family Camp -- come one day or come two, come for the week - what works for you? It's an incredible way to share fun and faith together! Grandkids & grandparents encouraged! Family Camp is offered through Immanuel Lutheran Church with Pr. Christa Forsythe and her youth leader, Janelle Eisenbacher with Pr. Amy helping with programming and ministries throughout the week. **Consider coming for the day! Sunshine Day (lunch provided) is in the works. Watch for the announcements in next week's bulletin! Looking for something mid-week to do with your grandkids? Grandparents and grandkids are encouraged to attend!** If you are considering the week at Family Camp but funds are not available, scholarships may be available. Talk to Pr. Amy. We want everyone to have this amazing opportunity!

Sermon Series begins October 2024. Pr. Amy will begin a *never-been-done* at Alex UMC sermon series, "Enough". With many opportunities for dialogue and beginning this September, we hope you will join us for this series that wraps up in early January (no series in December). Together, we will endeavor to look at how we can manage our financial resources and truly experience simplicity, generosity, and joy!

Bricks to Bread had great success again this week! Watch for our next bake event in the bulletin and on Facebook! We also send the order portal through email so if you want to be included, you must opt-in. You can do so by contacting Nancy at info@brickstobread.org.

Do you now regular committee meeting schedules? And did you know approved Council minutes and financial reports are always posted on the bulletin board in the office hallway?

SPRC, 5pm - First Monday of the month
Administrative Council, 8:30am - Second Monday of the month
Trustees, 5:30pm - Last Monday of the month
Finance Committee - No Sept meeting – new fall/winter schedule posted soon
Missions and Social Concerns – Third Thursday of the month, 3pm

For the meeting schedule of the following committees, please consult their chair:

Care Team, Sue Helgeson, jshelgy@charter.net
Card Care Team, Pat Vickerman, ptvick@gctel.net
Kitchen Committee, Betty Van Zomeren, bvanzome@wisper-wireless.com

Upcoming 'Global Special Sundays':

- October 6, *World Communion Sunday*, provides scholarships for U.S. racial-and ethnic-minority students and international students, on both undergraduate and graduate levels.
- November 24, *Reign of Christ Sunday* and *United Methodist Student Day*, furnishes scholarships and loans for student attending United Methodist-related and other accredited colleges and universities.

Becoming a member at Alex UMC is as easy as contacting Pr. Amy to receive member forms. During Membership Sunday, we welcome and celebrate your membership with our congregation!

Visit us online, www.alexumc.org. To join us for online worship, find us on YouTube, @ALEXUMC. To find us on social media, visit us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AlexMNUMC/>

Receive weekly updates/reminders join *REMIND*. Text @28kcbk to this number: 810810. Follow the prompts, select "Student account".