

## Weekly Schedule

Church office hours are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Announcements for the bulletin are due by Thursday at 5 p.m.  
Small Groups meet various nights in homes and at the worship center.

## Monday Nights

Please participate in our weekly men's and women's Bible studies at ALC **every Monday at 6:30 p.m.**

## Wednesday Family Night!

Join us every Wednesday for your mid-week spiritual refill! The worship service starts at 6:15 p.m. with praise & music followed by a mini sermon to get you through the rest of the week. There are classes for children grades 1 – 8 following the music portion of the service. Senior High students go to youth group after the praise & music.

## Youth Group Schedule

Grades 6-12 meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

## Sunday Worship

- † 7:10 – 7:30 a.m. Radio Program on WMBS 590 AM
- † 8:45 – 9:00 a.m. Refreshments & Fellowship in the Lobby
- † 8:50 & 10:35 a.m. **Rooms 12/13**  
**Drop off Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade for Kid's Church**
- † 9:00 a.m. Worship service in the Sanctuary
- † 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. ROOM 6 - Nursery (ages 0 - 3)  
ROOM 7 – Pre-K to K  
ROOMS 12 & 13 – 1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grades  
ROOM 10 – JR High (grades 6-8) begins after the hymns
- † 9:30 a.m. ROOMS 8 & 11 – Adult Sunday School Classes
- † 10:20 – 10:45 a.m. Refreshments & Fellowship in the Lobby
- † 10:45 a.m. Worship service in the sanctuary

Watch us on **Cornerstone Network** Pittsburgh Faith & Family Channel WPCB DT 40.2 or **Atlantic Broadband Channel 119** on Saturday at 12:01 a.m., Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

**Prayer Chain: 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.**  
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**ABUNDANT LIFE**  
C H U R C H

**Abundant Life Church** exists to exalt Jesus (**worship**), to teach the Bible (**grow**), to share the gospel (**reach**), to love one another (**connect**), and to serve the Lord (**serve**).

## More Than Anything

*"I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things."*  
—*Philippians 3:8*

The most striking, life-changing feature of the newly created individual is his or her love for Jesus. Some believers have this feature immediately, while others take a lifetime to cultivate it. But it's there. It has to be. It's the only thing that can make someone new.

Some people might think that the core of discipleship is training yourself to be like Jesus. Others might think that discipleship is a matter of submitting to His lordship. Still more might think it's simply a matter of believing the right things and being taught to understand the truth. And all of these are important; they are even vital elements of discipleship. But they aren't at the core of being a disciple of Jesus. No, deep down inside, the believer must learn to love Jesus more than everything else. If that kind of love is not there, being a disciple will be an impossible task. Loving Jesus with all of your heart has to come first.

The essence of that love is captured well by Paul in this passage. Paul has lost a lot for the sake of his new belief in Jesus. He lost his career as a rising star in Jewish religious leadership circles. He lost friends and perhaps the love of family members. He lost a steady income and a place he could truly call "home". Most of all, he lost his identity—his old one, that is. Paul could no longer take pride in his heritage and his pedigree. He could not define himself by his tribe or his nationality. His only identity now was Jesus. Paul lost everything in order to gain this Savior. And, according to this passage, the trade-off was well worth it.

Every believer must develop that same mentality. Our hearts must get to the point where nothing matters except Jesus. Oh, we'll have our affections and goals, but they will sit unpretentiously below our greater love. When the choice between Jesus and any rival is presented, we won't need to hesitate for a second. The surpassing greatness of knowing Jesus—just *knowing* Him—will fill our hearts more than anything else.

This is a copy of the [Indeed](#) daily reading for May 16, 2022.

## Quote of the Week

**"They that deny themselves for Christ shall enjoy themselves in Christ."** —John Mason

## Announcements for the Week of May 22, 2022

**ALC MEN & WOMEN BIBLE STUDIES WILL NOT** be meeting the evening of Memorial Day, Monday, May 30.

**NURSERY WORKERS ARE NEEDED FOR AGES up to 3** – Loving people are needed to help the next generation by watching the little ones while their parents worship during Sunday morning and Wednesday evening services. Please sign-up in the lobby if you can help during one of the services one Sunday or Wednesday a month.

**COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:25 A.M.** Please remain after the 9:00 a.m. service or arrive early for the 10:45 a.m. service so that we may share communion together as the body of Christ.

**A NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will begin the week of June 6<sup>th</sup>.** Both the Monday night group and the Tuesday morning group will begin the study, Encountering God – Cultivating Habits of Faith Through the Spiritual Disciplines. Spiritual disciplines are essential to a more vibrant spiritual life and knowing God more intimately. In this 7-session Bible study author Kelly Minter unpacks the biblical foundation for these sacred habits. You may make a \$15 donation to cover the cost of the workbook if you wish to do so. Please sign up in the lobby or online through the Church Center app under Signups.

**CHRISTIANITY 101 – "Discovering Church Membership" – will be held on Thursday, June 16 from 6:15-8:00 p.m.** This class is required if you wish to become a member of ALC. However, if you attend the class, you are not required to become a member. Please sign up online or in the lobby if you plan to attend.

**MOTORCYCLE CHURCH RUN** ALC is hosting a motorcycle ride on **Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> (weather permitting)**. All bikers (men and/or women) will meet in the ALC parking lot at 9 a.m. for coffee, donuts, and route information. Departure is at 9:30 a.m. The route will consist of a stop at Spring Valley Bruderhof Community in Farmington, then a stop at New Life Free Methodist Church on Route 51, and will end back at ALC around noon for a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs. To participate, please sign up in the lobby or online through the Church Center app.

**ALC WOMEN'S MINISTRY LUNCHEON-SAVE THE DATE!** **Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>.** More details will be released once our plans are finalized.

## Assisted Listening Devices

Assisted Listening Devices are available from the information booth during both Sunday worship services. Please speak with the information booth volunteer to request a device if you need one.