

Announcements

In need of prayer? If you would like members of the lay care ministry team, members of the prayer chain, and the pastoral team to uphold you in prayer you may contact us at prayerrequests@acparis.org.

Worship/Coffee Fellowship Online: Sundays at 10h45 via Zoom. At 11h, we will worship online together via shared screen. Once the service has ended, we will return to the large group and then fellowship will follow in smaller breakout groups. If you worship online at another time, please feel free to join the zoom meeting for the fellowship at noon! If you would like the Zoom, please register at: acparis.org/worship-fellowship.

GratiZoom – An online gathering devoted to Thanks Giving and Giving Thanks: TODAY at 17h via Zoom. Please join this special gathering where we will focus on our gratitude for all that God is doing in the midst of this challenging season, and how ACP is inspiring the lives and faith of others. Additionally, we will have an update on the finances of ACP and prayerfully consider how each one of us can continue to generously support the missions and ministries of our church and community. We'll also have a chance to share in Zoom breakout groups and connect with others from the ACP community. Register at acparis.org/gratizoom in order to receive the GratiZoom link.

Community Thanksgiving Day Worship Online Service: 26 November 18h at acparis.org. Join the American Church, the American Cathedral, and other communities of faith in Paris as we come together online for a special service to give thanks to God!

ACP Weekly

Sundays from 10h45 via Zoom

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Mondays from 6h at acparis.org

Monday Musings with the Maestro

ACP Music Director Fred Gramann shares the behind-the-scenes stories about music and musicians associated with the American Church in Paris over its long history. Whether you're up for cogitating, ruminating, or just pondering with Fred, you're welcome to tune in and perhaps be, well, a-mused.

Wednesdays from 6h at acparis.org

Sanctuary Sessions with *Natalie Raynal* and *ACP Contemporary Worship Musicians*

Join us for acoustic sessions in the sanctuary with musicians from ACP's contemporary worship team.

Thursdays 19h-19h30 via Zoom

Thursday Evening Communion with *Pastor Odette*

A weekly opportunity to see each other's faces, to pray, to center our lives with Holy Communion in community, remembering that Jesus is with us through the power of the Holy Spirit in the bread and wine. Register at acparis.org/communion

Children's Ministries

Kids' Monthly Bible Study 2020-21: 6 December 12h45 via Zoom. This virtual monthly Bible study is for all children seven and older. We will spend the year studying the Lord's Prayer. Please contact Rev. Allison Wheeler at childrensworship@acparis.org for more information, and/or register at acparis.org.

Threaded Together: A Children's Ministry Initiative. During these days when we cannot safely experience the joy of being all together in person, our Threaded Together initiative offers different ways for us to stay connected, and for parents and children to experience support from church staff, volunteers, and other families. Register at acparis.org/threadedtogether to participate in a family small group or contact childrensworship@acparis.org for information.

ACP Children's Music Ministry Fall program 2020: Join us in lifting a joyful noise unto the Lord through voice and instrument, in praise, prayer, and thanksgiving. The ACP children's choirs will continue via virtual choir rehearsals sent as private YouTube video links to watch, alternating with Zoom rehearsals. Children of all ages are welcome. See acparis.org/childrensmusic for registration.

Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Fall 2020-2021 program *Out There: Together in One Place*. For more information contact Pastor Victor Greene at youthpastor@acparis.org.

Adult Ministries

Lectio Divina at ACP – An Advent Journey: Beginning on 27 November, weekly in Advent on Fridays 19h-20h or Saturdays 8h30-9h30 via Zoom. The practice of Lectio Divina stems from an ancient monastic prayer tradition which emphasizes scripture as the "Living Word of God," and is a contemplative way to read short passages of sacred text and discover meaning deeper than the literal layer. See acparis.org for more details and request the Zoom link from ACP staff member Jörg Kaldewey at admin@acparis.org.

Women's Monthly Bible Study: 6 December 13h30-14h30 via Zoom. All women are welcome to join this study on Women of the Old Testament, led by Teri Lee Valluy. Register at acparis.org/women-sunday.

Making Sense of the Bible: This six-week, small group pursuit of greater Biblical understanding has begun, but new participants are welcome. If you would like to participate in a "Making Sense of the Bible" small-group encounter with others via Zoom, please register your interest at acparis.org.

Sunday Afternoon Adult Bible Study: Sundays 16h-17h30 via Zoom. All adults are welcome to join this study as hosts Nathaniel Akujobi and Patti Lafage lead us through an in-depth study of the book of Philippians. To register and receive the Zoom link please sign up at acparis.org.

Women's Weekly Bible Study: Tuesdays 10h-12h via Zoom. Join us for our virtual study of "Job, an Unlikely Story of Joy." Contact Katherine for more information at womensbiblestudy@acparis.org.

Men's Ministry Bible Study at ACP: Thursdays 7h30-8h30, in the ACP Theater. In-house and Zoom option available. Register at acparis.org/men-thursday.

Read all about it – inspiration information, news, and events from ACP in the most recent edition of the Spire. Available now on the app, or at acparis.org.

For more information on all the offerings for children, youth, and adults mentioned above, see acparis.org.

Ministers of the American Church in Paris

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The Ministry of the American Church depends on you

The American Church's operating costs depend primarily on the generosity of its members and alumni around the world who have been touched by its ministry. If you wish your gift to be tax-deductible in the United States, you must make your check payable to our parent organization "The American and Foreign Christian Union" (AFCU) and put the words "for ACP" on the memo line of your check. In France, your gift in Euros is deductible under the category "*réduction pour dons à des organismes d'intérêt général.*" The church issues year-end receipts of giving acceptable for French tax authorities. Contributions in either euros or US dollars are accepted by both the ACP and the AFCU. To find out more about how you can help secure the future of the ACP through bequests, charitable trusts, and other forms of planned giving, please speak to one of the pastors. If you would like to set up recurring electronic fund transfers to facilitate giving, please visit acparis.org to find out how.

2021 Generosity Campaign

All we have belongs to God, and we are stewards of what He's given us.

Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us. (1 Chronicles 29:14)

One of ACP's goals of the Generosity campaign is for **100** individuals or families in our congregation to take the spiritual step of committing to be generous contributors to God's work at the ACP by pledging their donation for 2021. This goal is not focused on the amount that each individual or family commits but about the very act of pledging to be purposeful about our role in carrying out the ACP's mission. Let's show our collective generosity – go to the website acparis.org and make your pledge today!

Please make sure to join us today, 22 November, at the special GratiZoom event at 17h. We will focus on our gratitude for all that God is doing in the midst of this challenging season, how ACP is inspiring the lives and faith of others, and we will have an update on the finances of ACP and our 2020 seasonal giving goal.

