

...AND I WILL SUPPORT THE CHURCH WITH MY PRAYERS,
MY PRESENCE, MY GIFTS AND MY SERVICE.

OUR PRAYERS: (Please put prayer requests in writing or call the office.)

For our ongoing ministries

For the sick and those in need:

Ken McDonald, nephew of Winnie Tegge
Rhodes Cook, friend of the Twomey and Snitzer families
Ronda Warrick, sister-in-law of Patti Jones
Jimmie Simmons, friend of Karen Rose Beth Neary, niece of Jackie Flynn
Mother of Mark Thompson, friend of Debbie Strickland
Ken Vaughan, cousin of Steve Reynolds
Shannon Svenson, relative of Tina Svenson
Arlene Chase, sister-in-law of Sandra Chase
Roger Ralay, friend of Nivosoa Robjhon
Art Seggerson, friend of Judy McConville
Tyler Meade, cousin of Chris Bradley
Barbara Cathcart, half-sister of DeEtte Johnson
Marcia Cornell, cousin of Luanne Pond
Amelia Masdin, friend of Elaina Carrillo
Patty Whitamore, niece of Winnie Tegge
Kiesha Morris, goddaughter of Cyndi Jones
Carolyn Johnson, friend of Allan Cogswell
Patricia Ann Morris, aunt of Chris Bradley
Richard Brooks, friend of Debbie Strickland
Margie Nichols, sister-in-law of Liz Walker
Bud Francis, cousin of Cyndi Jones
Sharon Kellam, friend of Allan Cogswell
Landyn Lee Jensen, son of Jaclyn Bradley
David Smith, brother of Debbi Iwig
Susan Leahy, friend of Michelle Ohmke Carmen, friend of Jay Morris
Isla Jean Cannon, friend of Jenny Otto Peter Rose, brother of Tom Rose
Philip McConville, brother of Jim McConville
Jeffrey Gaines, friend of Jaie Brown Jeryl McLeod, sister of Jaie Brown
Dr. Tara L. Covey, friend of Sandra Chase

For bereaved members and their families:

Family and friends of Donald Coleman.

OUR SERVICES:

Greeters: 8:30 a.m. R. Hampton, W. Lord, 9:30 a.m. B. Brown,
10:30 a.m. W. Ward, A. Crane
Fellowship Hours: Kairos Prison Ministry

Hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Presiding Bishop: Young Jin Cho, Richmond Area Virginia Conference

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Academy of Discipleship
Annandale United Methodist Church

(Rev. Cynthia Johnson-Oliver, cjohnsonoliver@annandale-umc.org)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:45 a.m.
Bible Fellowship is studying Romans in room 111.
Exploring Faith in Life meets in room 303.
In His Steps is studying *Troublesome Bible Passages* in room 302.

Coming Soon - Fall Classes begin September 22
Issues in Modern Christianity will study *When Christians Get it Wrong* in room 307.
Kaleidoscope will meet monthly in room 300.
Parents and Promises will meet in room 305.
Women in Search of Truth will study *Esther* by Beth Moore in room 306.
Women of the Day will study *Facing your Giants* by Max Lucado in the Parlor.
Williams Bible Class will meet in room 118

For more information and registration, visit www.academyofdiscipleship.com.

THE GRID

Youth Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

6th -12th graders meet for a combined Sunday School class in the Youth Room.

Just a friendly reminder - Ramp begins in two weeks!

Ramp Kick-Off Night is Sunday, Sept. 15 – see you there!

Sign up for Sunday Night Ramp meals at our website!

Youth Choir begins on Sunday, Sept. 15 at 12:15 in the Choir Room! See you there!

Parent Ramp Night – Sunday, Sept. 22, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Potluck-style dinner:
Last name A-O bring main dish, P-Z bring side dish (enough for 10 people)
Come experience RAMP and find out about upcoming events. **Deadline for sign-up is Wednesday, Sept. 18**

Paintball Trip to Hogback Mountain, Sunday, Sept. 29. Registration and payment deadline: **Sept. 22.** Leave church parking lot after 11 a.m. service, returning at 6 p.m. (Chaperones/drivers needed!) \$50 per person (\$35 if bringing own gun). Price includes: admission, lunch (2 hot dogs, chips, drink), paintball gun, face mask, air refills, 500 rounds (must use site paint; additional cases of 500 rounds available for \$17).



Children's Ministries ☀

(Director: Becki Stewart, bstewart@annandale-umc.org)

Serving Others Sunday: Making lunches for Safe Haven, 9:45 a.m.

Children 4 yrs -rising 5th graders. Room 311

Connect Sunday – Sept. 8

9:45 – 10:15 a.m., Media Center, Connect Sunday for Families with Children :
- Special Blessing for the start of school for children and families. Bring your backpacks!
- Promotion for children - Register your child and sign up for events and activities
- Get connected with all the activities and fun for the upcoming year!
10:30 a.m. – worship; **11:30 – 1:30**, Ministry Fair and lunch

Sunday, Sept. 15

- First day of Sunday School for children 3 years-5th grade
- Children's Choirs resume - Chapel (11 a.m. service) resumes

Come KNOW, GROW, and SOW with us!



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THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

September 1, 2013 • 8:30 and 11 a.m.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

WELCOME OF VISITORS

+GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN PEACE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

VOLUNTARY

"Sonata in F Minor"

Telemann

Adam Stokes, trombone and Justin Dean, piano

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Trust and Obey"

Hymnal No. 467

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: When we are left to our own devices, we become like weak and cracked vessels, unable to sustain love, mercy, and justice.

People: **But when we come before God, seeking God's healing love, we are given the strength and courage to serve others.**

Leader: We often want to have our own way in all that we do.

People: **We have a difficult time trusting in God.**

Leader: Lord, come to us this day, healing our mistrust and our hesitancy.

All: **Give us spirits ready to receive your forgiveness and mercy. Amen.**

+OPENING PRAYER

We confess, O Lord, that we love attention. We are pleased when people single us out for something good that we have done, for some outstanding act or trait of kindness that we exhibit. We revel in the light; but the seductive light too often captures us and we seek its brightness and glory and turn our backs on others in need. We have been given many gifts, but have failed to use them to help others and to serve you. Forgive us our vanity and greed. Heal our wounded and aching souls. Place us again on the pathway of peace and hope that is your way to true life. For we ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11 a.m.)

Hymnal No. 39

Baptismal Candidate:

Aaron Louis Bateman, son of Ryan and Cynthia Bateman

Refrain: *Aaron Louis, God claims you.*

God helps you, protects you, and loves you, too.

We this day do all agree, a child of God you'll always be. [Refrain.]

We your family love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow. [Refrain.]

We are here to say this day that we will help you on your way. [Refrain.]

And if you should tire or cry then we will sing this lullaby. [Refrain.]

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM

"Here at the Table"

Mengel

Adult Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SERMON SCRIPTURE

Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Luke 14:1-14

SERMON

"Moving On Up!"

Dr. Brown

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Minister: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God, Amen.

OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY "Two Studies in English Folk Song" Vaughan Williams
Adam Stokes, trombone and Justin Dean, piano

+DOXOLOGY

Hymnal No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Hymnal No. 17

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION MUSIC

Justin Dean, piano

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND COMMISSIONING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Holy Spirit, to give ourselves for others. Unite your church throughout the world as we commission your servants to deliver these tokens of Christ's love to our homebound members, that your name may be praised in all the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

+SENDING FORTH

+HYMN OF RESPONSE "Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast" Hymnal No. 339

+BENEDICTION

+CHORAL RESPONSE "On Eagle's Wings" Hymnal No. 143

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,

bear you on the breath of dawn,

make you to shine like the sun,

and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

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+POSTLUDE

Justin Dean, piano

+Please stand as you are able.

...AND I WILL SUPPORT THE CHURCH WITH MY PRAYERS, MY PRESENCE, MY GIFTS AND MY SERVICE.

OUR PRESENCE: Aug. 25 Sunday Worship: 333 Sunday School: 42

Offerings Last Sunday: \$10,291.25

News and Events



Pick up your copy of the Academy of Discipleship 2013-14 Bulletin for fall classes and small groups today. Register on the church website.

"Brownie Evenings with Brown," AUMC's New Member Class, will meet on Friday, **Sept. 6, 7-9 p.m.**, and will be taught by Rev. Dr. Clarence Brown, Jr. It is a time of exploration and discernment of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ at Annandale UMC. Topics will range from Wesleyan Theology to United Methodism 101; from Stewardship to Spiritual Gifts. Pre-registration is not necessary. For more information, call 703-256-8330. The class meets in Room 210.

Get Connected: Come to the Connect Ministry Fair on Sunday, **Sept. 8** to Connect with the church family, learn about and sign up for classes and small groups, new opportunities for mission projects, children, youth, young adult and adult programs, music ministry, UMM and UMW and more! On Sept. 8, one worship service will be held at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Connect Ministry Fair and lunch from 11:45 – 1:45. Children's Ministry will hold a parent orientation at 9:45 a.m. in the Media Center.

Disciple 1 and Disciple 3 bible study classes are forming now. Classes offered evenings and on Sundays. Information session on Sunday, **Sept. 8** at 9:45 a.m. in Room 210. Contact: cjohnsonoliver@annandale-umc.org.

Begin the fall on a high note! Join the choir! Adult Choir Open House Wednesday, **Sept. 11**, 7:15 p.m. For details contact Music Director Pat Vaughn pvaughn@annandale-umc.org or call 703-256-8330.

Day Trip: Thursday, **Sept. 12** to Dumbarton House, a historic Georgetown Federal House. Reserve your seat by **Sept. 4**. Bus leaves at 10 a.m. from AUMC. For more information, call the Shepherd's Center Office at 703-941-1419 e-mail shepherdscas@vacoxmail.com.

Annandale Book Lovers will meet on **Sept. 15**, 7 p.m. in the parlor (room 203) to discuss James Michener's *Recessional*.

Donate Back-to-School supplies now through **Sept. 16**. Help local children get a strong start on the new school year! Bring the following items (new) to the collection box in the atrium: crayons, markers, glue sticks, scissors, notebook paper, and folders. These items will be distributed to families in need at the Immanuel campus of AUMC on food distribution nights.

Come for fellowship, delicious dinner and a fascinating program! Wednesday Night Together Fellowship Dinner resumes Wednesday, **Sept. 18**, 5:45 p.m. Registration is due by noon on Monday, **Sept. 16**. Registration is available online at www.annandale-umc.org, by emailing Joyce Kitzmiller at jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org, or calling 703-256-8330. The program will be stories and photos from the Mozambique Mission trip. Meal price (pay at the door): \$8 per person, \$3 for children under 12, and \$25 per family maximum. (Please note: if you make a reservation and are unable to attend, please call the church office by noon on Monday, Sept. 16 to cancel.)



Mark Your Calendar



Sept. 4 – Adult Choir rehearsal resumes

Sept. 6 – Brownies with Brown

Sept. 8 – One worship service; "Connect" Ministry Fair

Sept. 11 – Adult Choir Open House

Sept. 15 – Convocation Sunday; first day of Sunday School

Sept. 15 – Book Lovers

Buy a water filter and help provide safe drinking water. AUMC's Earth and Spirit Committee is raising funds to purchase drinking water filters for the people of northern Ghana. The goal is to purchase 25 filters, at a cost of \$250 each, for a total of \$6,250. To make a donation of any size, make your check payable to AUMC with "E&S water filter" in the note line.

Personal financial accountability is the focus of the Financial Peace University Class scheduled for **Sept. 19 – Nov. 14**, 7 – 8:30 p.m. in room 210. FPU is a biblically-based video curriculum that incorporates small-group discussions and encourages personal financial accountability and discipleship and is taught by best-selling author Dave Ramsey. Register at DaveRamsey.com by clicking on "Find a Class" and then choose Annandale UMC. Cost is \$93 for nine, 90-minute classes. The program at AUMC is being coordinated by AUMC members Bill and Robin Evans.

Winter clothes drive for the homeless: A collection is underway for mostly men's coats, sweatshirts, stocking caps, jeans, socks, underwear, and waterproof gloves. Women's winter clothing will be taken, but most of the homeless are men. Items should be clean without holes. Label each item with gender (men or women) and size. Place donated clothes in the boxes under the coat racks **before Oct. 17**. The clothing will be distributed to homeless people in Washington, D.C. For more information or to volunteer, contact Dan Evans at 571-334-6223 or danevans@frontiernet.net.

Calling all women! Space is limited so early registration is encouraged for the Women's Retreat **May 2-4**, 2014, at the Eden Resort, Lancaster, PA. <http://www.edenresort.com/>. Registration forms are available on the web site and in the church office. To have a registration form mailed or emailed to you, or for more information, contact Cyra Doty, 703-354-5330 or email radu94@aol.com.

September Upper Room Readers: the September edition of the Upper Room devotional booklet can be picked up in the brochure racks by the front door. To help off-set the costs, those who take the Readers are requested to contribute \$5. Checks should be made payable to AUMC with "Upper Room Reader" in the note line. Checks can be brought in or mailed to the church office.

Help the youth! AUMC Car Magnets are available for a suggested donation of \$5 each as a fundraiser for the AUMC youth program. The 7" oval magnets have a white background with the letters AUMC in red in the center. Around the edge are the words Annandale United Methodist and the web site www.annandale-umc.org. The magnets can be purchased in the church office or at the Connect Ministry Fair. The Youth appreciate your support!

Help is needed with food distribution, Immanuel campus, every **Thursday**, 5 – 7 p.m. For more information call Betsy Clevenger, 703-425-6424.

Help save postage and paper! Tell the church office you would like to receive the Witness newsletter via email instead of U.S. mail.