

...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:

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| Kim Good, friend of Sheila Kyer | Lisa Fitchett |
| Mike Herrman, friend of Erin McKenney | Rick Hampton |
| Jane Kable, mother of Michelle Ohmke | Preston Adams |
| Chip Boswell, cousin of Davis Oliver | Victoria Mayo |
| Lauren Stewart Ball, daughter-in-law of Sherri Kenski | Judi Farber |
| Maranda Mazyck, mother of Robin Mazyck | John Reeves |
| Paul Foltz, grandson of Betsy Clevenger | Lois Lowry |
| Ray Crump, friend of Vincent and Jeanne Guidi | |
| Kyunga Han, sister of Sook Han | Foster Caffi, friend of Sandra Chase |
| Meg Barr, friend of Wanda Carr | Shannon Svenson |
| Brittney Gunn, niece of Wanda Carr | Ruth Grogan |
| Michael Myers, nephew of Carol Burns | Kayla Sherfey |
| Nancy Morris, friend of Clarence Brown | Donna Dye |
| Natalie Cheatham, friend of Trish Bradley | Kate Svenson |
| Guenther Koch, friend of Cyndi Jones | |
| Laurence Rabarijohn, mother of Nivo Robjhon | Evie Gibson |
| Beth Neary, niece of Jackie Flynn | Charles George |
| Jay Walker, friend of Julie West | Helen Grant |
| Sandra Jewett, friend of Elaina Carrillo | Helen Smith |
| Arlene Chase, sister-in-law of Sandra Chase | Foy LaFone |
| Jimmie Simmons, friend of Karen Rose | Pat Cave |
| Bert Harrold, friend of Jerry Beyer | Frank West |
| Kiesha Morris, goddaughter of Cyndi Jones | Virginia Crane |
| Carolyn Johnson, friend of Allan Cogswell | Mary Ann Marples |
| Landyn Lee Jensen, son of Jaclyn Bradley | Ellie Whitfield, CDC |
| Jeffrey Gaines, friend of Jaie Brown | Jeryl McLeod, sister of Jaie Brown |
| Dr. Tara L. Covey, friend of Sandra Chase | Robin Evans |

For bereaved members and their families:

Mollie Yancey and Barbara Yancey and family on the death of their husband and father, John Yancey
Pam Odom and family on the death of her brother, Perry

OUR SERVICE:

Greeters: Rick Hampton, Willie Lord, Brittlea Brown, Wilton Ward
Fellowship Hours: Phoebe/Lydia Circles

Hearing devices are available upon request from the ushers.

Presiding Bishop: Young Jim Cho, Richmond Area Virginia Conference

District Superintendent: Rev. Kenneth Jackson

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Clarence R. Brown, Jr.

Associate Pastor: Rev. Eduardo Carrillo

Associate Pastor, Adult Discipleship: Rev. Cynthia Johnson-Oliver, J.D.

Associate Pastor, Hispanic Outreach: Rev. Luz Zuleta

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Dir. of Music Ministries: Patrick Vaughn *Pianist: Justin B. Dean*



(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 is studying **Advent Study 2013** in Room 303.

In His Steps is studying **Advent Study 2013** in Room 302.

Issues in Christianity is studying *When Christians Get it Wrong* in Room 307.

Kaleidoscope will meet on Dec. 8 in Room 300.

Parents and Promises meets in Room 305.

Spiritual Heroes meets in Room 210.

Women in Search of Truth is studying *Esther* by Beth Moore in Room 306.

Women of the Day is studying **Advent Study 2013** in the Parlor.

Williams Bible Class is studying Men of the Bible in Room 118.

Thursday Small Group is also studying **Advent Study 2013** on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. in Room 210.

THE GRID

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Grades 6-7: room 209; **Grades 8-9:** room 308; **Grades 10-12:** Youth Room (105)

Youth Choir will meet today from 12:15-1 p.m. in the Choir Room!

Be sure to sign up for our annual ski trip – this year's trip will be to Winterplace Resort in Ghent, WVA. Be sure to register online and get \$100 deposit to Trish; cost is \$325 total.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – Decorate-A-Vet will be on Saturday, Dec. 7!

Don't forget this week's hashtags - #thankful #family #orange

Ramp will not meet today – see you next week!



Children's Ministries ☀

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

TODAY:

• **2-3 year old and 4 year old** classes meet as usual.

• **K-2nd grade** meet in room 313

• **3rd-5th grade** meet in room 314.

Celebration Singers (K-5th): 9:15 a.m., room 311.

Cherub Choir (2-4 year olds): during Sunday School.

KIMyr: Prepare and serve a meal for hypothermia guests **today** at 5 p.m. in Wright Hall!

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL – Support this important mission with a donation today!

Sponsored by 3rd- 4th grade class. See display in the Atrium. Last Sunday is Dec. 8.

Pick up your family Advent Calendar and other materials in the Atrium and the Parent Resource Area on the 3rd floor.



AUMC CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – Dec. 15 at 8:30 and 11 a.m.!

Forms available from your child's Sunday school teacher (Children age 3 yrs.-5th grade). Registration deadline is next week, Dec. 8.

ST. NICK'S WORKSHOP – Saturday, Dec. 14, noon - 2 p.m., after pageant practice. Light lunch, craft activities, cookie decorating, shop the Secret Santa Shop (gifts \$1-5), pictures with Santa and more. Invite your friends and neighbors!

Come KNOW, GROW, and SOW with us!

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THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

December 1, 2013 • 8:30 and 11 a.m.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

WELCOME OF VISITORS

+GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN PEACE

+CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

"Aria"

Flor Peeters

Beverly Dahlin

+THE HANGING OF THE GREENS LITANY

Rev. Carrillo

Leader: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the King?

People: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.

Leader: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the Eternal Christ?

People: With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.

Leader: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of our Savior?

People: With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death and resurrection.

Leader: How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Son of God?

People: By hearing again the words of the prophets, who foretold the saving work of God.

Leader: For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.

ALL: Glory to God in the highest!

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus" Hymnal No. 196

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

LIGHTING OF THE 1ST ADVENT CANDLE

Leader: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Our liturgy continues...

Leader: Let us pray:

God of Abraham and Sarah and all the Patriarchs of old, you are our Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God, and Son of David. Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth, to make our hearts ready and to place our hope in you. Help us today and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your hope with others. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

RESPONSE

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

Hymnal No. 204

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Johnson-Oliver

HANGING OF THE GREENS

After each reading, please join us in singing the carol listed below.

LAYING OF THE GARLAND

"Away in a Manger"

PLACING OF THE POINSETTIAS

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

HANGING OF THE EVERGREEN WREATHS *"O Little Town of Bethlehem"*

BLESSING OF CHRISMON TREE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRISMON TREE

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Micah 5:1-5

SERMON

"Transformative Peacemakers"

Rev. Luz Zuleta

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

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

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Paul Manz

Beverly Dahlin

Hymnal No. 95

+DOXOLOGY

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Hymnal No. 17

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS

"One Bread, One Body"

Hymnal No. 620

"Take Our Bread"

Hymnal No. 640

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 home-bound members, that your name may be praised in all the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

+RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Soon and Very Soon"

Hymnal No. 706

+CHORAL RESPONSE

"Star Child"

Faith We Sing

Hymnal No. 2095

Hope for peace Child God's stupendous sign,

down-to-earth Child, Star of stars that shine,

This year, this year, let the day arrive when

Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!

+POSTLUDE

"In Thee is Gladness"

Setting by Michael Burkhardt

Beverly Dahlin

+Please stand as you are able.

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

OUR PRESENCE: Nov. 24

Sunday Worship: 379

Sunday School: 177

Offerings Last Sunday: \$15,115.25

Events at AUMC!



Advent Study 2013: "Messianic Prophecies: Hope for a Savior". **Today:**

The Peace Jesus Brings. See back of bulletin for participating classes and groups.

Please give generously to the communion offering today. The offering collected on most communion Sundays is used for the pastor's discretionary fund, which is especially needed this time of year. Your gift today will help a child smile, a family recover, and a community rebuild after disaster strikes.



Did you know? 79% of Americans say they would rather have a charitable gift given in their name than be given a present. The Children's Ministry's Living Gift Market invites you to give an animal through Heifer Project International to help a hungry family feed themselves. Heifer provides a free custom honor card with every donation, making it easy to honor someone special to you. There are only two more Sundays to make your donation, **Dec. 1 and 8!**

Register today for the **Wednesday Night Together** fellowship dinner and **Advent Worship and Communion on Dec. 4.** Dinner begins at 5:45 p.m.

The menu will feature minestrone soup, Caesar salad, garlic pesto bread, and chocolate chunk pecan pie. The meal price (pay at the door) is \$8 per person, \$3 for children under 12, and \$25 per family maximum. Dinner reservations are due by noon on Monday, **Dec. 2**, at www.annandale-umc.org or by contacting Joyce Kitzmiller, jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330.

The Weekday Children's Programs are listed as one of the "Top Daycare/Preschools" in Northern Virginia Magazine January 2014 issue. Congratulations!

AUMC's Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet **Dec. 3, 17 and 31** at 1 p.m. in room 303. The shawls and lap robes created by the group are given to homebound and recovering members. For details, call Rosemary Perdue 703-354-6645.

Kaleidoscope/Seminar: On **Dec. 8** at 9:50 a.m. in room 300, Dr. Jack Underhill will complete the second half of his presentation on the Quality of American Education and Its Impact on Poverty and Inequality.

Lessons and Carols will fill the sanctuary on **Dec. 8**, 10:30 a.m., with voices of children, youth and adults as the Music Ministry offers this traditional worship service of Lessons and Carols in music and scripture. This second Sunday in Advent will be a single worship service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School will meet at 9:30 a.m.

Seeking Santa's Helpers: Youth and Children's Ministries are collecting new (and very gently used) gift items for the St. Nick's Workshop. Items needed: gift bags, tissue paper, gift tags and tape, games, soaps, jewelry, and gifts for dad. At the Children shop, youth "elves" will help children shop for family members and wrap their secret selections to take home and place under the tree. Collection boxes will be in the atrium and on the third floor in the Parent Resource Area (by the elevator near room 311). Donations are due by **Dec. 8.**

The Shepherd's Center Lunch N' Life program will be held at AUMC on Thursday, **Dec. 12**, beginning at 11:30 a.m. The Kings Park Concert Band will play some lively tunes. For more information, and reservations, call the Shepherd's Center Office at 703-941-1419 or e-mail us at shepherdscas@vacoxmail.com

Sandwich making and food distribution volunteers are needed at the Heritage Drive campus every Thursday. Help make sandwiches for guests at Bailey's Homeless Shelter from noon - 1 p.m. and help distribute food to our neighbors from 5 - 7 p.m. For more information call Betsy Clevenger, 703-425-6424.



Mark Your Calendar

Dec. 4 - Wednesday Night Together

Dec. 8 - Lessons and Carols, one service at 10:30 a.m.

Dec. 11 - Wednesday Night Together

Dec. 15 - Christmas Pageant, St. Nick's Workshop, *An Evening in December* Concert

Dec. 18 - Wednesday Night Together

Evening in December Christmas Recital will be presented in the sanctuary on Sunday, **Dec. 15**, at 6:30 p.m. Members of the congregation will bring their gifts of instrumental and vocal music and fill the sanctuary with songs of the season.

AUMC note cards (\$10) and AUMC magnets (\$5) can be purchased in the church office on weekdays. Please pay exact amount in cash or check to AUMC.

Pecan Sale: UMW is selling a new crop of pecans after each Sunday worship service. To reserve a case of 24 or to make a special request, contact Joni Laurence at 703-941-7481, or Sally Bizer at 703-256-3373. Thank you for supporting UMW mission projects.

Ramona's Tuesday Bible Study will not meet on **Dec. 17, 24, or 31.**

Day Trip to Mount Vernon on Tuesday, **Dec. 17**, leaving at 10 a.m. from the AUMC and returning about 3 p.m. The cost for this Shepherd's Center program is \$25 and includes bus transportation and museum admission. Space is limited so call early to sign up at 703-941-1419 or e-mail shepherdscas@vacoxmail.com.

The Haiti Mission Team needs donations of children's play equipment. The team will depart for Haiti on **Jan. 6** and is scheduled for construction work and providing Vacation Bible School for 300 to 350 Haitian children. Please bring the following items and place in marked boxes in the Atrium by Friday, **Dec. 27:** 1 megaphone, 2 tarps (20' x 30') for the children to sit on, 6 regulation-size soccer balls, 6 Chinese jump ropes, 4 jump ropes 12' to 14' long, 8 plastic beach balls (to use with parachutes), 350 Quaker Variety Bars (48 count pack available at BJs), stickers -- anything child oriented, clothes pins, 350 felt tip markers any size box, and boxes of 8-count Crayola crayons (this size only). For more information, contact Pam Jones at 703-820-0058 or foueverfree@verizon.net.

Year-end reminders: All gifts to be credited for 2013 tax purposes must be received in the church office by 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, **Dec. 31** or postmarked by Dec. 31. If you are responsible for expense vouchers for your work area, vouchers must be submitted on or before Wednesday, Dec. 18.

Help stamp out loneliness: Caring Ministries is collecting 2014 picture calendars, note/greeting cards, Christmas cards, writing paper and "Forever" postage stamps for women incarcerated in the Fluvanna (Va.) Correctional Center for Women. Bring items to the collection box outside of the church office. Please give postage stamps to the office staff.



POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS



To place a poinsettia in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on Dec. 24, please complete the form below and return it to the church office with your check for \$10.50 per plant **by Sunday, Dec. 8.**

Please use a separate form for each plant ordered.

No telephone orders will be accepted. Make checks payable to AUMC.

Poinsettia given by: _____

Phone: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

In memory/honor of: _____

(Check one) I will take the poinsettia Give poinsettia to shut-ins