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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27 AT 9:45 A.M.

Bible Fellowship is studying Romans in Room 111.

Brownies with Brown meets in Room 212C.

Exploring Faith in Life continues studying *The Prodigal God* in Room 303.

Immanuel will begin studying From Christ to Constantine in Room 300.

In His Steps resumes studying Love Walked Among Us in Room 302.

Issues in Christianity is studying the Afterlife in Room 307.

Kaleidoscope meets monthly in the Sanctuary.

Parents and Promises meets in Room 305.

Spiritual Heroes meets in Room 210.

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

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

Women of the Day is studying He Chose the Nails in the Parlor.

THE GRID

There will be no Ramp this evening - hope everyone has a wonderful Easter!

Reminder - there are no youth Sunday School classes today.

Ramp Hoodies and T-shirts have finally arrived! See Trish for order pickups. Extras are available for purchase: \$12 for shirts, \$25 for hoodies.

Mark your calendars - 30 Hour Famine is April 25-26!

Children's Ministries

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

No Formal Sunday school for children today.

Please enjoy some family time together. Here are some activities especially for you: • Walk the courtyard labyrinth (weather permitting). • Table activities – coloring pages, mazes, and other activities in Wright Hall.

• Count the butterflies that have hatched from the cocoons. They are all over the building! • Discover the art of Ukrainian Easter Eggs. Visit the display in Wright Hall. • Check out the Alleluia Message Chain!

Childcare is available this morning for infants through kindergarten age children in room 206 and 207.



Online registration begins next week!

Join us for Walking In God's Light - Vacation Bible School. July 7-11. 9-noon Monday through Friday. Children age 3 (as of September 30,2013) – 4th Grade. 5th grade and up – be part of the fun by volunteering to help with a class or center. Go to www.annandale-umc.org to sign up your child, as a volunteer, and for childcare if you are a volunteer with a child too young for VBS this year. Invite your friends and neighbors!

Events at AUMC!



The people of Annandale United Methodist Church extend a warm Easter welcome to all who are visiting with us today. Your presence with us increases our joy on this great day of celebration. We pray that the Spirit of the Risen Christ will touch you this day, and we invite you to come back and worship with us again soon.

Sing Hallelujah today! Anyone interested may join the adult choir in singing the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah during worship today. If you have ever sung the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah, we invite you to come up during our final hymn and we will "raise our voices" in singing this timeless classic together as one great, massed choir in honor of our risen Savior!

Easter Sunday - Adult Sunday School classes combine for a special presentation, "Made Like Him, Like Him We Rise" by Rev. Dr. Kendall Soulen, Professor of Systematic Theology, Wesley Theological Seminary. Sunday, April 20 at 9:45 a.m., Sanctuary.



Lenten Cocoons are open! The butterflies are now released for all to enjoy!

Lenten Study 2014: A special thanks to clergy, staff, small group leaders, and over 130 people who participated in Lenten Study 2014. Your feedback is appreciated! Please e-mail your comments about the Lenten Study to cjohnsonoliver@annandale-umc.org.

Help spread Easter joy: Please take some of our Easter joy (Easter tulips) to homebound and shut-in members. A signup sheet is in the Atrium. Please put your name by the name of the person to whom you will deliver the flowers.

Love God, Love Neighbor, Serve the World: help support our community and the world through service, prayer, financial support and fellowship. Give generously to Lenten Mission projects: Poe Middle School Food Ministry, Camp Highroad, Heritage Drive Campus Ministries, Stop Hunger Now, Brazil Mission Trip, Haiti and Mozambique. Make checks payable to "AUMC" with "Lenten Mission Project" in the memo line. For more information, visit www.annandale-umc.org or pick up a Lenten Mission Project brochure in the Atrium or the church office.

Heritage Drive Ministry volunteer opportunities: Food Distribution operates on Thursdays from 5 - 7 p.m. Contact Betsy Clevenger, 703-425-6424. ESL classes meet on Tuesdays from 7 - 9 p.m. Contact Mike or Liz Hoefer at 703-845-7751. A Tutoring Program is being planned for this spring. Contact Barb Pearson at b-pearson@cox.net or 703-323-6114. For additional ideas and questions, contact Bill Sinclair 703-321-7529. Join your God-given passion to make a difference with one of these or other future ministries at the Heritage Drive Campus.

Enrollment is underway for AUMC's Early Learning Program in the fall for children 1-3 years. Call 703-256-8667.

Thanks all of you for your prayers, cards and visits while I was in the hospital and my return home. You aided in my recovery and I am grateful for your blessings and love. - Beverly Pierce



Mark Your Calendar



April 29 – United Methodist Women event
May 2 – 4 – Women's Retreat
May 3 – Contemporary Worship Service
May 14 – Wednesday Night Together

Name That Sermon Update: Thank you to everyone who submitted topic suggestions. Based on your suggestions, here are the upcoming sermons and who is preaching: April 27: "How Do I Overcome Pride?"; May 4, "Do I Have to Forgive Everyone?" (Dr. Brown with KAIROS Community); May 11, "What Does the Bible Have to Say About Women?" (Rev. Johnson-Oliver).

It's not too late to sign up for a Mission Trip to Belo Horizonte, Brazil, the last two weeks of July. Contact team leader Ryan Witkowski at witkowskir@gmail.com or 703-635-6062. The focus of the trip will be construction of a second floor of an existing building, led by Mark Bradley. There will also be many children around, so there will be opportunity for interaction and activities. The trip's cost will be dependent on the airline rates, but may be at least \$2,000, but under \$2,500.

Christmas in April (Rebuilding Together) is scheduled for next Saturday, April 26, and volunteers are needed for a half or full day. We are teaming with ACCA/St Barnabas Episcopal on a local "house repair project" to a deserving family or Fairfax County "group home". We look forward to AUMC youth (age 14 and over), young and older adults participating. This project is sponsored by our Missions Committee and ACCA. Anyone interested in joining us or "fixing a treat for the workers" email John Clark: clarkejh I@gmail.com.

On Sunday, April 27, the Immanuel Class will begin an award-winning series titled From Christ to Constantine: The Trial & Testimony of the Early Church. This twelve-week series includes bible study, DVD segments filmed in the Holy Land, and discussion. Join us as we learn about the early church.

On Sunday, April 27, Women of the Day begins a new study of He Chose the Nails. Author Max Lucado invites you to examine the cross, contemplate its purpose, and celebrate its significance.

Annandale UMW will present Methodist Women of Mozambique Program and Dessert on Tuesday, **April 29**, 7 p.m. in Wright Hall. The program will feature Almina Baibaze, president of the Mozambique Women, and Victoria Chifeche, General Secretary for Methodist Society of Women in Mozambique and part of the Bishop's cabinet. All are welcome! Childcare will be available if requested by April 24 by calling the church office 703-256-8330.

A Parent Support Group, "Parents Helping Parents", supported by Poe Middle School After-School Program and Annandale United Methodist Church, will hold its first meeting on April 29, 7 p.m., at Poe Middle School. Enter through Exit 2. Babysitting will be provided. This group will discuss raising children, seek and offer advice to others, Special Guests, and many other topics. For details, contact Sheila Kyer, 703-981-6080, Kyer027@aol.com, or Amanda Sperling at acsperling@fcps.edu.

Camp out and camp cleanup: reservations are due May I for AUMC's Camp Highroad Camp Out May 16-18. Everyone is invited to help clean up and repair the facilities and grounds at this Methodist adventure camp near Middleburg, VA, which is also one of AUMC's Lenten Mission projects. Cost is \$20/night/person for inside lodging or \$15/night/person for tent space. Contact Mark Bradley Bradleyfam@aol.com.

A Parent Coffee presentation on "Emotional Intelligence", sponsored by the AUMC Weekday Children's Programs, will be held Thursday, May 1,7 p.m. in the Media Center. Francine Ronis, LPC, LLC will explain emotional intelligence, the significance of it in your child's life, and discuss how you can increase your child's Emotional Quotient to help him/her have more successful relationships. Everyone is welcome.

A Contemporary Worship Service will be held at AUMC on Saturday, May 3, from 6:30 − 7:30 p.m. in Hughes Hall. Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend! For more information, contact Rev. Eduardo Carrillo, ecarrillo@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330.

AARP Safe Driving Course for seniors will be offered on Monday and Tuesday, **May 5 and 6**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the Media Center. The cost is \$15 for AARP members (bring your card) and \$20 for non-members. Space is limited. Contact Jane Underhill at 703-573-2056 or jrundie 37@gmail.com.

Young Adults twice-monthly lunch discussion following Sunday worship will meet on May 11 and 15 at 12:30 p.m. in room 210. Light lunch will be provided. For more information, contact Eduardo Carrillo, ecarrillo@annandale-umc.org.

"Scream-Free Parenting", a free seminar, will be offered here on Sunday, May 18, 4 - 6 p.m. Reservations are required for chilcare only; call 703-256-8330 or email jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org. The seminar will be presented by Myra Binns Bridgforth, M.S., Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist.

Pew Patrol needs a volunteer to prepare the pews for the 5th Sundays of each month. For 2014, that will include **June 29**, **Aug. 31** and **Nov. 30**. Pew Patrol works any day during the week; duties include making sure the pews have attendance pads, pencils and other materials. To volunteer or for more information, contact Garry Bell gbell@annandale-umc.org.

Summer fun opportunity: volunteers, center leaders, and shepherds are needed for AUMC's Vacation Bible School "Walking In God's Light" **July 7-11,** 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Becki Stewart, bstewart@annandale-umc.org or call 703-256-8330.

A Volunteers in Mission adult mission trip to Brenton, WVa. with the Appalachian Service Project is scheduled for **Sept. 21-27**, 2014. Cost for the trip is \$525 and includes transportation, lodging, meals and all construction materials. Volunteers who cannot go for the full seven days (five work days and two travel days) are welcome. Some may go Sunday and return Wednesday or early Thursday at a cost of \$350. Contact John Clarke by phone or text 703 606-6464 or email clarkejh I @gmail.com. Commitments are needed with a nonrefundable deposit of \$250.