

...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:

Bill Stacy, husband of Mary Stacy Steve Jarvis, brother of Becki Stewart
Paul Fabricant, friend of Dottie Rogerson Lynette Dillard
Emily, daughter of Dana and Dana Goward Rachida Bent-Maria
David Gordon, friend of Rosemary Perdue Mary Breslin and her family
Anna Erecell Traynham, aunt of CDC teacher Jerry Bruce
Rev. Debra Copeland and family, friends of Julie Montgomery Ed Oliver
Donald and Connie Pearson, parents of Mark Pearson
Glenn Adams, friend of Pete and Alice Snitzer Mildred Atkins
WH Farley, friend of Cyndi Jones Ines Vaughn, mother of Pat Vaughn
Paul Oliver, father of Davis Oliver Michael Boley, friend of Ed Bock
Lenny Hall, niece of Vincent and Jeanne Guidi Liz Plewes
Laura Horn, mother-in-law of Eldon Hildebrandt Janet Woods
Matt McConville, brother of Jim McConville Andrew Miga
Matthew McConville, nephew of Jim McConville Victoria Mayo
Marcy Larriva, friend of Cyra Doty and Louise Golobic Evie Gibson
Kris Travis, friend of Chris Bradley Shirley Williams
Ann Woodle, friend of Betsy Clevenger Homer Ambrose, Jr.
Jasmine Gardner, friend of Charles Cox Patti Jones
Kathy James, friend of Natashi Anthony Walter Grant
Justin Shim, friend of Kyla Carney Bo Ramsey, friend of Carolyn Cook
Marcia Cornell, cousin of Luanne Pond Stella Byers
Andy Murphree, brother of Nancy Davis Sue Meekins
Tari Foltz, daughter-in-law of Betsy Clevenger Val Andrist
Michael Nemoh, son of CDC teacher Donna Dye
Guenther Koch, friend of Cyndi Jones Vincent Guidi
Lauren Ball, daughter-in-law of Sherri Kenski Virginia Crane
Shatirah Thompson, cousin of Chris Bradley Lenora Spelman
Dr. Tara L. Covey, friend of Sandra Chase Charles George
Beth Neary, niece of Jackie Flynn Jeryl McLeod, sister of Jaie Brown
Rafael Pino, grandfather of Natashi Anthony Lisa Thomasson Fitchett
Grace Brakefield, aunt of Sandy Barker Evrard Quansah
Roger Gray, friend of Joan Oliver Tatiana, friend of Betsy Clevenger
Arlene Chase, sister-in-law of Sandra Chase
Bob Levy, friend of Pat and Gary Sherfey

For bereaved members and their families:

Robert Burns and family on the death of his wife, Patricia Burns
Amy Neuberger and family on the death of her grandmother, Kathie Skelton

OUR SERVICE:

Greeters: Scott Fleming, Jerry Beyer, Rick Hampton, Brad Otto,
Rachel Bruns, Don Johnson
Fellowship Hours: Lydia Circle

Hearing devices are available upon request from the ushers.

Presiding Bishop: Young Jin Cho, Richmond Area Virginia Conference

District Superintendent: Jeffrey P. Mickle

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

Associate Pastor: Rev. Eduardo Carrillo

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

Dir. of Christian Ed. for Children: Becki Stewart Dir. of Youth Ministries: Trish Bradley

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

Dir. of Weekday Children's Programs: Maribeth Day Seminary Intern: Jim Harrington



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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.

Bible Fellowship is studying the Epistle of James in Room 111.

Brownies with Brown for new members meets in Room 212C.

Exploring Faith in Life is studying *Making Sense of the Bible* in Room 303.

Immanuel is studying *The Advent Conspiracy* in Room 300.

In His Steps is studying *The Advent Conspiracy* in Room 302.

Issues in Christianity is studying "Moral Decision Making" in Room 307.

Kaleidoscope meets Dec. 14 and Jan. 11 in Room 310.

Parents and Promises is studying *The Advent Conspiracy* in Room 305.

Speaking of Faith is listening to podcasts by Krista Tippet in Room 210.

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

Women in Search of Truth is studying a Beth Moore study in Room 306.

Women of the Day is studying *The Advent Conspiracy* in the Parlor.

ADVENT CONSPIRACY - Weekday classes and groups

Monday Night: Grace and Truth small group, Dec. 1 and 15, 7 p.m. in the Parlor.

Thursday Night: Thursday Bible Study at 7 p.m. in Room 209.

THE GRID

(Director: Trish Bradley, tbradley@annandale-umc.org)

Youth Sunday School Classes combine in Youth Room.

Classes will be combined through December.

No Ramp tonight - have a good week!

Reminder: We're scheduled to serve dinner during hypothermia tomorrow, Dec. 1



Children's Ministries

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL (3 year olds – 5th grade): 9:45 a.m.

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

Cherub Choir (3-4 yr old class): during Sunday School

CHAPEL (4 years-3rd grade): 11 a.m. service, room 313

Advent calendars for families available today!

Good Samaritan Kids (3rd-5th grade): 5 p.m., Wright Hall. Prepare and serve a meal to our hypothermia guests.

Register for 2014 Christmas Pageant! Forms are available from your Sunday School teacher, the 3rd floor Parent Resource Area (near the elevator & across from room 311) and on line. Turn in forms to the basket in the Parent Resource Area.

UPCOMING

Thursday, Dec. 4, 6 p.m.: Cherub Choir practice for Lessons and Carols in Sanctuary

Saturday, Dec. 13, noon - 2 p.m.: St. Nick's Workshop. Light lunch, craft activities, cookie decorating, shop the Secret Santa Shop, picture with Santa and more. Help needed with pre-event prep and at the event.



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THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

November 30, 2014, 8:30 and 11 a.m.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

+GATHERING SONG "My Life Is in You, Lord" *FWS No. 2032

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN PEACE

+THE HANGING OF THE GREENS LITANY Dr. Clarence Brown

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, evergreen.**

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:

All: **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.**

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.

People: **Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.**

RESPONSE "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" Hymnal No. 204

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.

PASTORAL PRAYER

HANGING OF THE GREENS

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

LAYING OF THE GARLAND

“Away in a Manger”

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray;
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

PLACING OF THE POINSETTIAS

“Silent Night, Holy Night”

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love’s pure light;
Radiant beams from thy holy face
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

HANGING OF THE EVERGREEN WREATHS

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

BLESSING OF CHRISMON TREE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRISMON TREE

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

Becki Stewart

(11 a.m. – Children may leave for Children’s Chapel)

ANTHEM

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

Miller
Adult Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Micah 5:1-5

ADVENT CONSPIRACY VIDEO

OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Adam Tyler

+DOXOLOGY

Hymnal No. 94

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE

I Timothy 6:6-10

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Spending Less?”

Dr. Brown

SENDING FORTH

+RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Soon and Very Soon”

Hymnal No. 706

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“O Come Let Us Adore Him”

Hymnal No. 234

O come, let us adore him,
O Come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

+POSTLUDE

Adam Tyler

+Please stand as you are able.

* The Faith We Sing supplementary hymnal

Events at AUMC!



Welcome! We pray that something in our worship today – the message, the music, the fellowship - will touch you, and we invite you to come back and worship with us again. Join us for fellowship in Wright Hall immediately after today’s worship service. Next Sunday, **Dec. 7**, is the annual **Lessons and Carols** worship with one service at 10:30 a.m. Vocal and bell choirs of all ages will be participating. As part of the continuing “Advent Conspiracy” series, the sermon will focus on “give more” and be preached by Rev. Carrillo.

New Member Class “Brownies with Brown” meets **today** at 9:30 a.m. in room 212C. The class, taught by Rev. Dr. Clarence Brown, Jr., is a time of exploration and discernment of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ at AUMC. Topics will range from Wesleyan Theology to United Methodism 101; from Stewardship to Spiritual Gifts. Pre-registration is not necessary. For details, call 703-256-8330.

A hypothermia relief center for the homeless is being hosted by AUMC **tonight through Dec. 7**. Volunteers are needed; sign up in the Atrium. Donations of the following are welcome: new or gently-used hats, scarves, gloves, coats, sweaters, warm socks, long underwear, regular underwear, hand warmers, chapstick, small tissue packs, individual size toiletries and baby powder. Donation boxes are near the coat racks. \$5 gift cards to fast food restaurants are welcome and should be taken to the church office for safe keeping. For details, contact AUMC’s Hypothermia Coordinator, Cyndi Jones, 571-282-3822 or cyndij123@verizon.net.

Wednesday Night Together fellowship dinner and Advent communion program is scheduled for **Dec. 3, 10 and 17** in Wright Hall. Dinner begins at 5:45 p.m. and the program begins at 6:30 p.m. The menu **Dec. 3** will be: garden salad, chicken and dumplings, pineapple upside down cake. Register for dinner on the pew pad, online at www.annandale-umc.org, by emailing Joyce Kitzmiller: jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org or by calling 703-256-8330. The meal price (pay at the door) is \$8 per person, \$3 for children under 9, and \$25 per family maximum. Dinner reservations for **Dec. 3** are due by noon on Monday, **Dec. 1**.

The Shepherd’s Center of Annandale-Springfield Lunch ‘N Life will be held Thursday, **Dec. 4**, 11:30 a.m. at AUMC. Come enjoy the music of The Capital Reunion. Lunch reservations are due by **Dec. 2** by calling the Shepherd’s Center Office at 703-941-1419 or e-mailing shepherdscas@vacoxmail.com.

A Charge Conference will be held at AUMC on Thursday, **Dec. 4**, at 7:30 p.m. All members are welcome to attend.

Young Adults’ lunch discussion following Sunday worship will meet **Dec. 7** at 12:30 p.m. in room 210. Light lunch will be provided. For more information, contact Eduardo Carrillo, ecarrillo@annandale-umc.org.

The need for food is growing: help our neighbors in need! Bring non-perishable canned and boxed food on Sunday, **Dec. 7**, for the ACCA Food Pantry.

St. Nick’s Workshop and Secret Santa Shop (Dec. 13) need donations of gift wrap supplies, small gifts and helpers who can make crafts in advance and set up the workshop **Dec. 12**. Bring donations of gift wrapping, bags, tissue paper, and tags to the Atrium. Place gifts of new/gently used gifts (board games, soaps, jewelry, and other gifts for dad) in the donation box in the Atrium or 3rd floor Parent Resource Area by **Dec. 7**. To help make crafts in advance contact Becki Stewart bstewart@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330. To help set up the Secret Santa Shop, contact Joni Laurence, 703-941-7481 or Laurence4school@verizon.net.

Feed the hungry: Help with food distribution, Heritage campus, 7901 Heritage Dr., every Thursday, 5 – 7 p.m. **except Dec. 25 and Jan. 1**, when the site will be closed. For more information call Betsy Clevenger, 703-425-6424.

Christmas wreaths will be sold by Boy Scout Troop 150 before and after Sunday services until they sell out. This is the troop’s only fundraiser each year, and your support is appreciated. All funds go toward trips, Scout events, and troop equipment.



Mark Your Calendar

Dec. 3, 10 and 17 – WNT and Advent Program

Dec. 4 – Charge Conference

Dec. 7 – Lessons and Carols

Dec. 13 – Pageant Rehearsal, St. Nick’s Workshop

Dec. 14 – Christmas Pageant

Deliver hope to children, families in need, the homeless, and victims of human trafficking victims this holiday season by participating in AUMC’s Advent Giving Tree. Look for Christmas trees with special tags just outside of the sanctuary. The Missions Committee is collecting gift items and donations for local needs, including:
- \$15-\$25 gifts identified for pre-teen and teenage boys and girls in the Rising Hope angels program. Gifts should be unwrapped and returned to AUMC by **Dec. 7**.
- “Alternative Giving” donations to 100,000 Homes; to the food programs at Poe Intermediate School, Heritage Drive campus, and Safe Haven; and to victims of human trafficking. The deadline for Alternative Giving is **Dec. 21**.

The Haiti Mission Team seeks donations for its trip to Petit Goave, Haiti, in January. The team will be doing construction work, relational ministry and hosting Vacation Bible School for 350 children. Cash donations to purchase supplies or donations of these items are needed: eight regulation-size soccer balls, eight Chinese jump ropes, eight jump ropes 14’ or 16’ long (jump ropes available at Amazon), eight plastic beach balls to use with parachutes, stickers (anything child oriented), clothes pins, and 350 Crayola fine-tip markers. Place donations in the marked boxes in the Atrium by Sunday, **Dec. 14**. Bring cash to the church office. For details, contact Pam Jones at 703-820-0058 or foueverfree@verizon.net.

Stamp Out Loneliness: Caring Ministries is collecting 2015 picture calendars, note/greeting cards, Christmas cards, writing paper and “Forever” postage stamps for women incarcerated in the Fluvanna (Va.) Correctional Center. Bring items to the purple collection box outside of the church office; give stamps to the office staff.

Serve as a tutor: AUMC’s Heritage Drive Tutoring Program assists elementary and middle-school on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. To volunteer as a tutor, receptionist, helping with snacks, or in another way, contact Jerry Beyer at beyerga@gmail.com or 703-399-1395. The Tutoring Program will be **closed Dec. 24 and 31**.

Volunteer as a teacher at the ESL Program on the Heritage campus. Call Mike or Liz Hoefler at 703-845-7751.

Buy pecans, help UMW Missions! UMW is selling a new crop of pecans (whole and in pieces) and walnuts 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. Please make checks payable to AUMW.

The need is greater than ever. A special offering is taken on Communion Sundays (first week of each month) to help ACCA and for our neighbors in need. So when you see the plates by the communion rail **Dec. 7**, please give generously. Share your love with future generations. Leave a gift through your will or estate plan to AUMC. To discuss potential gifts to the AUMC Foundation, contact Bill Iwig at 301-365-7532.



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 \$11 per plant **by next Sunday, Dec. 7**.

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