

...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:

Tony Krakoviak, father of Sally Bizer	Catie McConville Padgett
Brenda Andrews, sister of Cindy Keplinger	Peggy Ward
Nicole Miller, friend of Elaine Hiner	Sherril Reid
Maureen Hitchings, friend of Sheila Kyer	Janet Petty Sabo
Carsten Christensen, friend of Mikaela O'Brien	Stefan Ohmke
Jeanette Cyrus, aunt of Robin Patton	Barbara Moen
Emily, daughter of Dana and Dana Goward	Paul Oliver, father of Davis Oliver
David Gordon, friend of Rosemary Perdue	Lynette Dillard
Anna Erecell Traynham, aunt of CDC teacher	Bill Stacy
Donald and Connie Pearson, parents of Mark Pearson	Freda Hill
Steve Jarvis, brother of Becki Stewart	Charles George
Maria Perez, mother-in-law of Dawn Perez	Mary Breslin and her family
WH Farley, friend of Cyndi Jones	Justin Shim, friend of Kyla Carney
Lenny Hall, niece of Vincent and Jeanne Guidi	Liz Plewes
Laura Horn, mother-in-law of Eldon Hildebrant	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
Ann Woodle, friend of Betsy Clevenger	Homer Ambrose, Jr.
Jasmine Gardner, friend of Charles Cox	Tatiana, friend of Betsy Clevenger
Kathy James, friend of Natashi Anthony	
Rev. Debra Copeland, friend of Julie Montgomery	Patti Jones
Michael Boley, friend of Ed Bock	Kris Travis, friend of Chris Bradley
Marcia Cornell, cousin of Luanne Pond	Ed Oliver
Andy Murphree, brother of Nancy Davis	
Glenn Adams, friend of Pete and Alice Snitzer	Vincent Guidi
Pauline Dray, friend of Joan Oliver	Ines Vaughn, mother of Pat Vaughn
Tari Foltz, daughter-in-law of Betsy Clevenger	Val Andrist
Michael Nemoh, son of CDC teacher	Jeryl McLeod, sister of Jaie Brown
Guenther Koch, friend of Cyndi Jones	Beth Neary, niece of Jackie Flynn
Lauren Ball, daughter-in-law of Sherri Kenski	Virginia Crane
Shatirah Thompson, cousin of Chris Bradley	Donna Dye
Dr. Tara L. Covey, friend of Sandra Chase	
Grace Brakefield, aunt of Sandy Barker	
Arlene Chase, sister-in-law of Sandra Chase	
Bob Levy, friend of Pat and Gary Sherfey	

For bereaved members and their families:

Jim Harrington and family on the death of his grandmother, Kathren Harrington

OUR SERVICE:

Greeters: Jacki Maxwell, Karen Redden, Steve Naugle, Mark Pearson,
Don Johnson, Rachel Bruns
Fellowship Hours: Bible Fellowship Class

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



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 the Epistle of James in Room 111.

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

Immanuel is studying The History of Christian Worship in Room 300.

In His Steps is studying The Wesleyan Way in Room 302.

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

Parents and Promises meets 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 resumes Jan. 4 in Room 306.

Women of the Day meets in the Parlor.



THE GRID

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

Youth Sunday School Classes

Confirmation Class - Hughes Hall

Middle School - Room 209

Senior High - Room 105/Youth Room

Ramp resumes tonight - tonight we begin our Underground Reality: Colombia series. Come check it out - 5 to 7:30 p.m.!

Grid Winter Retreat - Jan. 30 through Feb. 1.

Cost \$100 for weekend if payment is made before Jan. 18.

Cost \$125 beginning Jan. 19.

Sign up online today!



Children's Ministries

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:45 a.m.

Good Shepherd Class (3-4 years old): Room 312

GODLY PLAY (Kindergarten through 5th Grade): 3rd floor Classrooms

Chapel and Celebration Singers (K-5th grade) resume Jan. 11

Cherub Choir (2 years and 3-4 year old class) resumes Jan. 25

Children may join choir any time during the year. Registration required.

Register your child for Sunday School, Good Samaritan Kids (3rd-5th grade), choir, and chapel using the same form. Forms available from teachers and in the Parent Resource area across from 310

Pick up Pictures with Santa from the Parent Resource Area (across from 310).

Want to receive the weekly Children's Ministry Parent Eblast? Contact Becki.



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THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR DIVINE WORSHIP
January 4, 2015, 8:30 and 11 a.m. • EPIPHANY SUNDAY

INTROIT *"Christmas Presence"* arr. Parks Brethren

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
+GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN PEACE

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"The First Noel"* Hymnal No. 245

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: There are many gifts, talents, and abilities given by God.
People: But there is only one Spirit.
 Leader: There are a variety of things we can do to serve the Lord.
People: But it is the same Lord we all serve.
 Leader: There are many activities we can do to serve God: teach, sing, clean, preach, play, work...
People: But all these are activated by God.
 Leader: There are many manifestations of God's Spirit in the world.
All: God gives to each as God chooses. Thanks be to God!

+OPENING PRAYER

God of all good gifts, we thank you and praise you. Your Spirit has touched our lives, bringing wisdom, ability, strength, courage, and passion. Enable us to use our gifts in service to you and to others. In all that we do, and in all that we are, may your name be glorified, that your kingdom will be with us and reside here on this earth. We pray this in the name of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Becki Stewart
(No Children's Chapel on Communion Sundays)

ANTHEM Brethren

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SERMON SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
Minister: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON 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 "How Great Thou Art" arr. Raney
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 "We Three Kings" Hymnal No. 254
+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.

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, refreshments and coffee in Wright Hall immediately after today's worship service. Our sermon series continues next week: "Serving from the Heart: Finding Your Gifts and Talents for Service". Rev. Dr. Brown will preach. Series includes spiritual gifts inventory and information on opportunities to serve at AUMC.

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 today, please give generously.

It's New! Rev. Dr. Clarence Brown, Jr., will lead a new Sunday morning class called Connect **today and Jan. 18** at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary. The gathering is a time of exploration and discernment of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ at AUMC. The informal format will include time for Q&A. This is especially for visitors and potential new members, but everyone is welcome.

Young Adults' lunch discussion following Sunday worship will meet **Jan. 11 and 25** at 12:30 p.m. in room 210. Light lunch will be provided. For more information, contact Eduardo Carrillo, ecarrillo@annandale-umc.org.

Babypalooza is coming on Sunday, **Jan. 11**, 9:45 a.m. in the sanctuary, when AUMC will host this event in honor of the "extraordinary event or an exceptional instance" of 19 (yes, 19) babies born into our congregation in 12 months! The birth of a baby is something special, whether it is your first, second, or third child. AUMC recognizes children in special ways with an announcement in the bulletin, a rosebud on the altar, and baptism. Babypalooza is a time to come together and hear more about how AUMC welcomes you and your precious child into our faith family. Bring your baby or toddler, meet other parents (and babies, of course), learn about what baptism means for infants in the Methodist tradition, hear about the nursery, meet our childcare supervisor and more! No reservations required. For more information contact Becki Stewart bstewart@annandale-umc.org.



Wednesday Night Together fellowship dinner is scheduled for **Jan. 14** in Wright Hall. Dinner begins at 5:45 p.m. and the program begins at 6:30 p.m. Register for dinner by noon on Jan. 12 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.



Discipleship Event – The State of the Dream: AUMC Reflects on How We are Living Dr. King's Legacy – This panel discussion will take place on Sunday, **Jan 18** at 12:30 pm. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330. For details, contact Rev. Cynthia Johnson-Oliver.

Clothe the children! Donations of new or gently used clothing for infants and children are being collected for local families. A Children's Clothes Closet collection box is located in the AUMC Parent Resource Area (near room 311).

The Communion Steward Committee needs volunteers who assist with setting up communion in the Sanctuary. If you are interested, contact Emily Wilson, 703-876-5858 or Garry Bell, gbell@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330. Feed the hungry! Volunteers are needed to help with food distribution, Heritage campus, 7901 Heritage Dr., every Thursday, 5 – 7 p.m. For more information call Betsy Clevenger, 703-425-6424.

Mark Your Calendar

Jan. 11 – Young Adults Lunch Discussion

Jan. 11 – Babypalooza

Jan. 14 – Wednesday Night Together

Jan. 18: Discipleship Event: The State of the Dream



Volunteers are needed to help staff and maintain the Children's Clothing Closet on the Heritage Drive Campus. We would like to be able to be open at regular hours beginning this month. If you can help, we can work around your hours. For information please call Betsy Clevenger at 703-425-6424.

Volunteer office assistance needed. Would you like to help the church office staff during busy times by answering the phone, making copies, collating, and other clerical tasks? The time commitment is minimal: usually 1-3 hours. If you are interested in adding your name to a list of folks who would be willing to be called when there is a need for a volunteer, please contact Joyce Kitzmiller, jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org or call 703-256-8330.

Upper Room Readers: a new Upper Room devotional booklet is available each month and 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.

Times are tight; help AUMC save postage and paper costs. Sign up to receive the monthly Witness newsletter via email instead of USPS mail by contacting Dottie Rogerson, drogerson@annandale-umc.org. If you do not receive it, but wish to, please contact the church office. AUMC does not share its email lists.

Serve as a tutor: AUMC's Heritage Drive Tutoring Program assists elementary and middle-school students on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. To volunteer as a tutor, receptionist, helping with snacks, or in some other way, contact Jerry Beyer at beyerga@gmail.com or 703-399-1395.

Help support AUMC activities: purchase an AUMC T-shirt for \$10 each in youth and adult sizes or an AUMC car magnet for \$5 (supports youth missions). Purchase in the church office. Please pay with exact cash or by check payable to AUMC with "t-shirt" or "magnet" in the note line.

Flowers on the Altar Needed: If you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory or honor of a loved one, please circle the date(s) you wish and return this form with a check, made payable to AUMC. Cost: \$25 per arrangement. Flowers are not placed on the altar on the first Sunday of each month, Communion Sunday; Easter Sunday and the Sunday before Christmas have special flowers.

January		11	18	25	July		12	19	26
February		8	15	22	August	9	16	23	30
March	8	15	22	29	September		13	20	27
April		12	19	26	October		11	18	25
May	10	17	24	31	November	8	15	22	29
June		14	21	28	December		13		27

Name of Donor: _____ Phone: _____

In Memory of In Honor of (check one)

I/we wish to leave the flowers for distribution to shut-ins or those in the hospital.

YES _____ NO _____