

...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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| Mary White, aunt of Davis Oliver | Gail Stoker, friend of Lois Solomon |
| Cathy Bass, cousin of Richard Rosenberger | Helen Smith |
| Lynn Dannenfelser, friend of Dawn Perez | Andi Lohr |
| Betty Gordon, step-mother of Randy Gordon | Burns/Myers families |
| Alvin Teegarden, friend of the Wilkins family | Faye Liming |
| Luis Vasquez, son-in-law of Dottie Rogerson | Kurt Kruger |
| Brent Lewis, friend of Marcelo M. Soliz | Sue, friend of Erin McKenney |
| Beverly Thompson, mother of Amy Floyd | Lynette Dillard |
| Gary Thatcher, friend of Betsy Clevenger | George Hill, Jr. |
| Serge Kostun, cousin of Peter and Alice Snitzer | |
| Aubrey, daughter of Cherrie Welch | |
| Jasmine Gardner, friend of Charles Cox | |
| Drew and Erin Halford, brother of Jenny Otto | Janet Woods |
| Guenther Koch, friend of Cyndi Jones | Melanie Wirick |
| Victoria Weyant, mother of Debbie Strickland | Paul Flynn |
| Darren McFate, friend of Denny and Jennifer Stokes | Jane May |
| Micah Martino, nephew of Patricia Martino-Shapiro | Vincent Guidi |
| Robin Holmes, friend of Betsy Clevenger | Jim Shepard |
| Edith Clark, friend of Jane Underhill | Lisa Fitchett |
| Stephen Lawson, son of Liz Lawson | Jean Ross, sister of Jack Underhill |
| Carol Kocheisen, friend of Liz Walker | Robin Evans |
| Graham Nichols, nephew of Liz Walker | Janet Petty Sabo |
| Betty Chase, sister-in-law of Sandra Chase | Liz Plewes |
| Dave Sherfey, nephew of Gary Sherfey | Dale Hay |
| Rick Cogswell, brother of Allan Cogswell | Dan DeSouza |
| Ashleigh Blumer, friend of Bizer family | Bill Stacy |
| Bill Marts, brother-in-law of Cyndi Jones | Ed Oliver |
| Pam Seale, friend of Margi McCarthy | Beth Neary, niece of Jackie Flynn |
| Ron Spangenberg, father of Laurie Scheible | Patti Jones |
| Cayden, nephew of Debbie Strickland | Evie Gibson |
| Jacqueline Wilson, friend of Sandra Chase | Charles George |
| Leany Hall, niece of Vincent and Jeanne Guidi | |
| Matt McConville, brother of Jim McConville | Andrew Miga |
| Matthew McConville, nephew of Jim McConville | Victoria Mayo |
| Marcia Cornell, cousin of Luanne Pond | |
| Michael Boley, friend of Ed Bock | WH Farley, friend of Cyndi Jones |
| Andy Murphree, brother of Nancy Davis | |
| Tari Foltz, daughter-in-law of Betsy Clevenger | |

Bereaved members and their families:

Tom Plewes and family on the death of his mother, Joyce Plewes
Gary FitzGibbon and family on the death of his father, George FitzGibbon

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 Book of Proverbs in Room 111.

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

Immanuel is studying *Mark: Hope for the Gentiles* in Room 300.

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

Issues in Christianity meets in Room 307.

Parents and Promises is studying *Alpha* in Room 305.

Speaking of Faith is listening to podcasts with 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 *Living Like You Belong to God* in the Parlor.

SUNDAY, 12:30 p.m. - Young Adult lunch and discussion today in Room 210.

MID WEEK CLASSES – Visit www.annandale-umc.org/academyofdiscipleship.

THE GRID

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

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.

Confirmation Class - Hughes Hall

Middle School - Room 209; **Senior High** - Room 105/Youth Room

No Youth Choir today! Go spend some time with your Mom!

Reminder - No Ramp for the next 3 Sundays.

Final Ramp is on May 31 - come out for our last Ramp of the school year!
5 to 7:30 p.m..

Ramp Car Wash during both Sunday services on May 31. Parents and students are encouraged to sign up to volunteer or bring in needed supplies.



Children's Ministries

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

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL (3 year olds through 5th grade): 9:45 a.m., 3rd floor classrooms.

Cherub Choir (2 years and 3-4 year old class): during Sunday School, room 311.

Chapel will not meet today.

REGISTRATION for VBS is now open! Join us for God's Camp – Discovering Faith, July 20-24, 9 a.m. - noon Monday through Friday. Children age 3 (as of Sept. 30, 2014) – 4th Grade. Go to www.annandale-umc.org to sign up your child or to be a volunteer. Forms also available in the office, atrium, or on 3rd floor across from 310.

Volunteers – 5th grade and older - are needed to help with a class or center.
Contact Becki at bstewart@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330.

Come know, grow, and sow with us!



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Happy Mother's Day!

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

May 10, 2015 • 8:30 and 11 a.m.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

+GATHERING SONG "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" arr. Mayfield
The Men of AUMC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN PEACE

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Gather Us In" *FWS No.2236

+CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Johnson-Oliver

Leader: As Abraham welcomed the strangers

People: So God welcomes us.

Leader: God greets us with joy

People: and says, "rest here for awhile."

Leader: God brings out water to wash our dusty feet.

People: God prepares a meal to nourish our weary spirits.

Leader: So let us receive the gracious hospitality of our God.

**All: Let us rest in this holy place where there is shade and water,
food and laughter.**

+OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, how often have we needed a drink of water, and something to eat in the shade during the heat of the day? How often have we needed your ear, too, while we rested at your gracious table? Help us this day set a table of hospitality for others. Help us listen with your ears to their journeys their disappointments, and help them experience Your sanctuary, Lord, as an oasis for weary travelers.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Jim Harrington
(Children's Chapel will not meet today.)

ANTHEM "Come, Thou Fount" arr. Schrader
The Men of AUMC

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

LAY READING 8:30 Trish Martino-Shapiro, 11 Denny Stokes
Hebrews 13:1-8

+CHORUS "Surely the Presence of the Lord" Hymnal No. 328

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN
THE LORD'S PRAYER
OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE
OFFERTORY

Justin Dean, piano

+DOXOLOGY Hymnal No. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION
SERMON SCRIPTURE

Genesis 18:1-15

Minister: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "That Ain't Funny" Dr. Brown

SENDING FORTH

+HYMN OF RESPONSE "Welcome" On Screens

+BENEDICTION

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "I Just Want to Be Where You Are"
On Screens
*I just want to be where You are,
dwelling daily in Your presence.
I don't want to worship from afar,
draw me near to where You are.*

+POSTLUDE Justin Dean, piano

+Please stand as you are able.
* Faith We Sing Supplementary Hymnal

Thank you men! In honor of Mother's Day, we gave the women in the Adult Choir the morning off and filled our loft with the men of AUMC!

"The Stone's Rolled Away; Now What?" Our post-Easter sermon series continues about the top reasons people come to church and leave the church. Rev. Johnson-Oliver will preach May 17, talking about the perception that "church has lame theology". We extend a special welcome to visitors and 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 refreshments and coffee in Wright Hall immediately after worship service.

GROW

Rev. Dr. Brown will narrate the "Lincoln Portrait" by Aaron Copeland at the Northern Virginia Youth Winds concert on Sunday, **May 17**, 3 p.m., at Woodson High School, 9525 Main Street, Fairfax. AUMC member Denny Stokes is the conductor. The public is invited to the concert.

The Annandale Book Lovers will meet **May 17** at 7 p.m. in the parlor to discuss any Perry Mason title. Everyone is welcome!

The AARP Safe Driver Course for Seniors will be **June 1 and 2**. Those who complete the two-day course will receive a certificate which often results in a reduction of the insurance premium. The course meets in AUMC's Media Center, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., with an hour off for lunch. The cost is \$15 for AARP members (bring your card) and \$20 for non-members. Call Jane Underhill at 703-573-2056 to register.

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OUR PRESENCE: May 3 Sunday Worship: 414

Flowers on the Altar are offered to the Glory of God and in honor of Emily Wilson on her birthday by Brett Wilson.

Flowers on the Altar are offered to the Glory of God and in memory of her mother, Wilma Prince, by Delma Jo Prince.

Flowers in the Atrium are offered to the Glory of God and in memory of her mother, Betty Mitchell, by Betsy Clevenger.

Connect

Quality time: Take a few minutes to visit with members/visitors/friends in Wright Hall (fellowship hall) immediately after worship. If you see someone you don't know, introduce yourself.

Today: Young Adults will meet for lunch and discussion at 12:30 p.m. in room 210. Light lunch will be provided. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Rev. Eduardo Carrillo, ecarrillo@annandale-umc.org.

Today: Visitors and new members are invited to attend "Connect", a time of exploration and discernment of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ at Annandale UMC. The informal gathering will meet at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, and will be led by the Rev. Dr. Clarence Brown, Jr. The program will include time for Q&A.

Today: RSVP on the pew pad for the Wednesday Night Together dinner on **May 13** in Wright Hall. Dinner begins at 5:45 p.m. and the program begins at 6:30 p.m. The menu will be green salad, pork tenderloin, apple sauce, vegetables, rolls and banana pudding for dessert. The program will be provided by Seminary Intern Jim Harrington on the topic of Faith Sharing. Register for dinner **by noon tomorrow** 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.

AUMC's Mission Team is blogging about its adventures in Mozambique. To read the team's entries and to see photos, follow this link or find it on the AUMC website: <http://www.travelpod.com/z/erinmckenney/1/1430493043>

High School and College Grads: An upcoming issue of the Witness will highlight AUMC's 2015 college and high school graduates. Please send a digital photo and the following information: name of student, degree, name of high school/college/university, and any other information you would like to share, such as name of parent(s) and future plans (college, graduate school, new job, etc.). Also list what AUMC activities the student has participated in (choir, acolyte, crucifer, mission trip, etc.) Please email information to bgordon@annandale-umc.org by **May 11**.

Wear an AUMC t-shirt in the community: Purple AUMC t-shirts are available for \$10 each in the church office. All sizes: children, youth and adult.

Serve

Join the Brazil Mission Team from AUMC which will return to Belo Horizonte, Brazil, this summer! The work will include building a second floor on a community center. The trip will occur the last week of July and the first week of August, with exact dates to be finalized based on airline rates. The cost for the trip will depend on the airline rates, and is estimated to be between \$2,000 and \$2,500. Those attending for just one week will have a reduced rate. Contact Ryan Witkowski at witkowskir@gmail.com or 703-635-6062. Commitments are needed by **May 15**.

ACCA's furniture ministry, which delivers donated furniture to needy families, needs volunteers. AUMC's next date to assist is Saturday, **May 16**, 8 a.m. - noon. For details, contact Brad Rothermel bigbadbrad63@hotmail.com or 703-256-3511.



Mark Your Calendar

May 13 – Wednesday Night Together

May 16 – ACCA Furniture Delivery

June 1-2 – AARP Smart Driver Course

June 7 – AUMC's Got Talent, Ice Cream Social

June 13 – Taste of Annandale (AUMC is a sponsor)



Support our community and the world through AUMC's Lenten Mission projects. To make a donation, and for more information, visit www.annandale-umc.org or call the church office 703-256-8330.

Feed those in need: make sandwiches for the Poe after school program on Tuesday, **May 26** at 1 p.m. Meet at the Heritage Campus of AUMC, 7901 Heritage Dr. Distribute food to needy neighbors at Heritage campus every Thursday, 5 – 7 p.m. Contact: Betsy Clevenger, 703-425-6424. Help prep and serve after-school meals at Poe Intermediate School one Tuesday per month. Contact: Sheila Kyer, 703-981-6080 or Kyer027@aol.com.

Help tutor or read to elementary and middle-school students on Wednesdays through **May 27** from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Heritage Campus. 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. For information, call Jerry Beyer at 703-399-1395, Bill Iwig at 301-365-7532, or Betsy Clevenger at 703-425-6424.

Recycle more: AUMC's Earth and Spirit Bible Class is collaborating with a private firm to collect specific items to be recycled and then converted to new products ("upcycled"). Collection boxes are on a table in the hallway outside Wright Hall. Items that can be recycled are tape dispensers and cores (Scotch tape reels) and specific personal care items: mouthwash bottles and caps, deodorant containers and caps, toothpaste tubes and caps, floss containers, and toothbrushes. It is important that all items are clean before left in the collection boxes! There is a potential for a small donation to AUMC from the firm if the amount of items collected is substantial.

Samaritan Gifts, which are received from today, Mother's Day, through **June 21**, Father's Day, go directly to the financial support of residents in need who reside at a Virginia United Methodist Home (VUMH). Your gift can be designated to any VUMH community or go where the need is greatest as an undesignated gift.

Support Annandale United Methodist Preschool Programs by saving box tops, and labels. Bring in "Box Tops for Education" labels from General Mills products and "Labels for Education" from Campbell's Soup products, and deposit in the marked box by door #2. If you shop at Safeway, and have a Safeway rewards card, log on to www.escrip.com, go to "sign up", register your Safeway card, and select the AUMC Preschool Group ID #149029884. If you shop at Harris Teeter, and have a Harris Teeter savings card, give the cashier the AUMC Preschool Code #1481 during checkout and AUMC Preschool will receive a percentage of your Harris Teeter brand purchases. All of these programs award customer loyalty by providing funds to the Preschool. AUMC's Child Development Center is also registered with Harris Teeter and the CDC code is #5814.

Help the youth pay for their summer mission trip: purchase an AUMC car magnet in the church office by making a suggested donation of \$5.

Volunteer as shepherds and center leaders at AUMC's Vacation Bible School "God's Camp – Discovering Faith" **July 20-24**, 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Becki Stewart, bstewart@annandale-umc.org or call 703-256-8330.

Go on the ASP mission trip to Brenton, WVA, with the Appalachian Service Project (ASP), on **Oct. 5-11**. The team will do relational ministry and home repairs, including roofing, drywall and insulation, wheelchair ramps, plumbing, electrical, foundation repair, painting, stair and floor repairs. Cost for the 7-day trip is \$450 and includes transportation, lodging, meals and construction materials. Cost for a shorter trip is \$300. Email John Clarke, clarkejhl@gmail.com. Commitments are needed with a nonrefundable deposit.