

...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:

Billy Marts, nephew of Cyndi Jones	Jay Patton
Giulliana Rotava, daughter of Elizabeth Galbraith	Shirley Williams
Lloyd Flood, neighbor of Betsy Clevenger	Sherri Kensi
Bob Stevenson, brother of Tina Svenson	Cyra Doty
Marion and Joe Zipfel, grandparents of Jessica Irish	Bina Cumby
Brooke, daughter of a friend of Melissa Plewes	Janet Petty Sabo
Dale Southerland, uncle of Kelly Neitzey	Stephanie Lips
Pam Steibing, cousin of Margi McCarthy	Sook Han
Diane Iwig, sister-in-law of Bill Iwig	Peggy Ward
Marcia Cornell, cousin of Luanne Pond	Janet Woods
Kim family, friends of the Pagnard family	Teresa Beyer
Kathy Gallo, friend of Michelle Prieto	Pam Jones
Adena Jarvis, mother of Becki Stewart	Rocky Speake
Rusty Nichols, nephew of Liz Walker	Evelyn Thomas
Elizabeth Sedlins, friend of Scott and Jolie Fleming	Tina Svenson
Nayyar Farooq, uncle of Simon Samuel	Betty Paul
Mike Capitman, friend of Charles Perdue	Jack Lansberry
Vickie Gassman, friend of Bill and Debbi Iwig	Jim Whitt, friend of Winnie Tegge
Carla Padgett, mother of Mark Padgett	Carol, friend of Liz Walker
Karen Carlyle, cousin of Elaine Hiner	Ruth Miller
Genevieve Moss, aunt of Jolie Fleming	Ed Oliver
Madalynn, young relative of Jane Underhill	Nancy Shaffer
Victoria Weyant, mother of Debbie Strickland	Ruth Nabbie, mother of Jaie Brown
Elizabeth Miesen, friend of Jenny Otto	Mac, friend of Marcia Twomey
Sloane Springer, cousin of Tracy Carney	Betsy, friend of Dawn Perez
Peggy Early, friend of Judy McConville	Beth Neary, niece of Jackie Flynn
Frances Harbin, caregiver of Ruth Nabbie	Kurt Kruger
Mike Barron, brother-in-law of Debbi and Bill Iwig	Pat Cave
Bill Morris, step-brother of Steve Reynolds	Linda Land
Matt McConville, brother of Jim McConville	Jon Bretz, cousin of Erin McKenney
Evelyn Thomas, mother of Sherri Kensi	Virginia Cannon
Agnes Roberts, mother of Rohn Roberts	Shirl Peters, mother of Mary Peters
Tim Sheehy, friend of Helen Moreman	Sue, friend of Erin McKenney
Betty Chase, sister-in-law of Sandra Chase	Leslie, niece of Bob Herbst
Shelly Colbert, niece of Debbi and Bill Iwig	
Mabel W. Thornton, mother of Lavinia Odejimi	
Valerie Jersey, friend of Marcia Twomey	
Jacqueline Wilson, friend of Sandra Chase	
Micah Martino, nephew of Patricia Martino-Shapiro	
Roger Ralay, friend of Nivo and Landy Robjhon	
Darren McFate, friend of Denny and Jennifer Stokes	

Bereaved members and their families:

Emma Clay and family on the death of her daughter-in-law

Hearing devices are available upon request from the ushers.

Presiding Bishop: Sharma Lewis, Richmond Area Virginia Conference

District Superintendent: Rev. 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

Ministerial Assistant: Jim Harrington

Dir. of Weekday Children's Programs: Maribeth Day



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 to the Hebrews in Room 111.

Brownies with Brown meets today in Wright Hall.

Faith in Life meets in Room 303.

Immanuel is studying "Cultural Literacy for Religion" in Room 300.

In His Steps is sharing life stories of class members in Room 302.

Issues in Christianity is studying death and dying in Room 307.

Parents and Promises is studying John Wesley's teachings on kids in Room 310.

Williams Bible Class schedule is to be determined.

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

Women of the Day is studying Walking the Bible in the Parlor.

MIDWEEK CLASSES - Visit www.annandale-umc.org/academyofdiscipleship.

THE GRID

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

Sunday School classes meet today -

Middle School meets in Room 209

Senior High meets in the Youth Room - Room 105

THANK YOU SO MUCH to everyone who helped with and supported our Spaghetti Fundraiser - we made close to \$900. That's a lot of pasta!

A special thanks to all of our wonderful Ramp parents who worked so hard to make this event a success.

Tonight is another RAMPATHON! Come out for a night of games from 5:30 to 9 p.m.! Prizes available - be sure to bring a friend!

Ramp Retreat to Camp High Road will be March 3-5. Early bird special ends today - \$70. Otherwise, cost will be \$80. See details in E-blast or online.

Reminder - Next Sunday is Guy's & Girl's Night. (Regular Ramp time: 5:30-7:30 p.m.)



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-year-olds): during Sunday School, Room 312

2-year-olds may attend with parent

CHAPEL (age 4 years through 3rd grade): follows Moments with Children, Room 313.

Parents of participating children must sign up on the sheet outside Room 313 to help.

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

Forms available from teachers and across from 310.

Shrove Tuesday is coming soon! Get those costumes and dress up clothes ready now for the parade that follows the pancake supper on Feb. 28. Sign up in the atrium or email jkitzmilller@annandale-umc.org. Gluten free pancakes available with a reservation. Deadline is noon this Friday, Feb. 24.

Vacation Bible School - Save the Date: July 10-14!!!



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THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

February 19, 2017 • 8:30 and 11 a.m.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

+OPENING PRAISE MEDLEY "He Has Made Me Glad" *FWS No. 2270

"We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise" *FWS No. 2031

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN PEACE

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Hymnal No. 127

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: That we may turn to God for guidance and direction as we strive to serve one another and the Church with the gifts God has entrusted to our care.

People: Open our hearts, Lord, to serve you with joy.

Leader: That we may more easily choose to serve rather than to be served, to give rather than to take, to contribute rather than to consume.

People: Open our hearts, Lord, to serve you with joy.

Leader: That we may learn to more deeply trust God to provide us with all that we need.

People: Open our hearts, Lord, to serve you with joy.

Leader: That we may learn to see the difference between the simple things we need and the many things we want.

People: Open our hearts, Lord, to serve you with joy.

All: That, through our good stewardship, we may build up God's kingdom here on earth as it is in heaven. Open our hearts, Lord, to serve you with joy.

+OPENING PRAYER (From Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral, IN)

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:30 a.m.)

Hymnal No. 39

Baptismal Candidate:

Violet Olivia Svenson, daughter of Frank and Kathleen Svenson

Refrain: Violet Olivia, God claims you.

God helps you, protects you, and loves you, too.

We this day do all agree, a child of God you'll always be. (Refrain)

We your family love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow. (Refrain)

We are here to say this day that we will help you on your way. (Refrain)

And if you should tire or cry, then we will sing this lullaby. (Refrain)

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Becki Stewart
(11 a.m. – Children may leave for Children’s Chapel)

ANTHEM “Many Gifts, One Spirit” Pote
Adult Choir

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.

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Timothy 6:6-12 8:30: Randy Lyle, 11: Hilde deSouza

+CHORUS “More Precious Than Silver” *FWS No. 2065

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY “Great is Thy Faithfulness” Runyan, arr. Hayes
Caroline Evans, 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

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 6:24-33

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

SERMON “Buried Treasure” Dr. Brown

SENDING FORTH

+RECESSIONAL HYMN “Seek Ye First” Hymnal No. 405

+BENEDICTION

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE “As We Go” On Screens

*As we go, may Your Spirit go before us.
As we go, may we follow where You lead.
May we live what we have learned,
Share the message we have heard.
And be a light unto the world as we go.*

+POSTLUDE “Sanctuary” Thompson and Scruggs, arr. Tornquist
Caroline Evans, piano

+Please stand as you are able.

*Faith We Sing supplementary hymnal

The church office will be closed Monday for President’s Day.

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OUR PRESENCE: Feb. 5 Sunday Worship: 374 Sunday School: 129

Flowers on the Altar are offered to the Glory of God and in honor of Garry Bell by a friend.

Flowers on the Altar are offered to the Glory of God and in memory of her aunt, Mildred Kosey, by Arlene Gribben.

Rosebud on the Altar celebrates the birth of Skyler Eve Padgett, daughter of Katie and Mark Padgett, born Feb. 4.

Welcome to Annandale United Methodist Church! We extend a warm welcome to visitors and pray that something in our worship service - the message, the music, the fellowship - will touch you, and we invite you to come back and worship with us again. Join us for light refreshments and fellowship immediately after the service! Next Sunday, **Feb. 26**, at 8:30 and 11 a.m., Rev. Johnson-Oliver will preach the final sermon in the series on stewardship. Sunday school will meet at 9:45 a.m.

New members will be received next Sunday. If you are considering joining AUMC, see one of our clergy, or contact Dottie Rogerson at 703-256-8330 or drogerson@annandale-umc.org.

Connect

The Annandale Book Lovers meet **tonight** at 7 p.m. in the parlor. We are reading *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins. All are welcome!



Children of Eden is this week! Be sure to get your tickets for the musical *Children of Eden*. Come enjoy this inspirational show and support our music ministry! Performances will be **Feb. 23, 24** (7:30 p.m.) and **25** (1 p.m.) in the sanctuary. Tickets are \$10 in advance/\$15 at the door, and can be purchased in the atrium, in the church office or online using the link on our homepage (www.annandale-umc.org). Children under 5 are free.

Celebrating Becki Stewart’s service to AUMC: We will honor Becki Stewart, AUMC’s Director of Christian Education for Children for the past 10 years, with a special presentation **next Sunday, Feb. 26**. We’ll also be collecting a love offering for Becki, who is moving back to Texas later this year.

AUMC Weekday Preschool and Early Learning Program registration for the 2017–2018 school year is approaching! Don’t miss out on the opportunity to enroll your child in these NAEYC-accredited programs at our church! AUMC members receive priority registration. The deadline for returning a completed application and registration fee is 3 p.m. on **Feb. 28** in order to be considered in the first round of admissions. Attend an open house on **Feb. 22** at 10 a.m. to learn more. For details, call 703-256-1100 for the Weekday Preschool and 703-256-8667 for the ELP. Or visit <http://www.annandale-umc.org/preschool-programs/weekday-preschool>.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Feb. 28: Join us for pancakes with all the fixings, activities for the kids, a children’s parade, king cupcakes and pancake races! (The serving line will be open 5:45–6:30 p.m.) To make a reservation, contact Joyce Kitzmiller at jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org or sign up in the atrium. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children and \$15 maximum per family. Make checks payable to AUMC.



Ash Wednesday fellowship dinner and worship: There will be a potluck dinner on **March 1** at 6:30 p.m. in Wright Hall, followed by a worship service in the sanctuary at 7:30 p.m. that includes the imposition of ashes and communion. Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, the season of preparation for the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday.



Wednesday Night Together/Lenten worship during Lent: Join us Wednesday nights, **March 8, 15, 22, 29** and **April 5**, at 5:45 p.m. in Wright Hall for a light dinner, followed by a Lenten worship service with communion at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Grow



Lenten Study 2017 begins **March 1** - *The Hole in Our Gospel* by Richard Stearns. Is the Christian faith only about going to church, studying the Bible, and avoiding sins, or does God expect something more? Stearns says it took answering God’s call on his life, a call that tore him out of his corner office at one of America’s most prestigious corporations—to walk with the poorest of the poor in our world. Through personal story and theological reflection, he demonstrates that the whole gospel was always meant to be a world-changing, social revolution that begins with each one of us. Contact cjohnsonoliver@annandale-umc.org to form a small group to discuss this study. Sign up for a small group and purchase a book in Wright Hall.



Centering Prayer meets at 9:30 a.m. on Mondays in Room 308, and all are welcome. If you are seeking a meaningful way to begin the week in a quiet place away from the busy pace of life, the Centering Prayer Group may serve your needs. This time includes a practice of silence in which we open the mind and heart to God’s transforming work. We also support one another and discuss a short piece of spiritual wisdom. Contact Becki Stewart at bstewart@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330.

Stephen Ministers are there for you: Are you going through a rough patch in your life? Whatever you may be facing, AUMC’s Stephen Ministers are available to talk to you so that you don’t have to walk alone. Our mission is not to “fix” you but to “listen, listen, love, love” as you heal and move forward. For more information, contact one of our clergy or Pat Sherfey at psherfey@yahoo.com. All conversations are confidential.

The February Witness newsletter is available for downloading on our website at <http://www.annandale-umc.org/about-aumc/monthly-witness>, or pick up a copy in the atrium on the table under the monitor.

Serve

Greeters and ushers needed: Make our visitors and members feel welcome on Sundays. Greeters are needed at the front door and welcome desk for the 11 a.m. service. Contact Sheila Kyer at 703-981-6080 or Sheila.Kyer@dbhds.virginia.gov. Also, volunteers are needed to serve as ushers for the 8:30 service once a month. Contact Randy Gordon at rgordon@ngfa.org, or call the church office 703-256-8330.

Thank you for giving to AUMC. Many, many thanks to the congregation for its continued generosity! We ended 2016 in the black with a slight surplus! When we serve God and give of our time, talents, gifts and service, we can accomplish many things. We look forward to another blessed year, and remind you that pledges are still being accepted for 2017. We are up to 178 pledges for a total of \$914,162. We need to reach \$1 million in pledges in order to fund our worship services, missions and other work for God’s Kingdom.

Hypothermia overflow: Did you know that AUMC is a hypothermia overflow site for the Bailey’s Crossroads Shelter? We’re looking for bakers to provide goodies for our friends as they experience the radical hospitality of AUMC **March 12-26**. Cookies, candy, fruit, hardboiled eggs and granola bars will be eagerly accepted, as will socks, tissues, Chap Stick and hand-warmers. Contact Cyndi Jones at 571-212-8824.