



AUMC WITNESS

Our Mission: Love God, Love Neighbor, Serve the World

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 We are a Stephen Ministry Church

June 5, 2012

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2012



Name: Emily Cavanagh

School: The Lab School of Washington

Accomplishments: MVP awards and lettering in sports.

Activities: Community service at Hudson Trail Outfitters, Pittsburgh Project, and helper in AUMC nursery.

Post Graduation Plans: Attend Northern Virginia Community College.



Name: Aden Bullock

School: J.E.B. Stuart High School

Accomplishments: Tri-M Music Honor Society and National Honor Society.

Activities: Cross Country, Track & Field, Band, and AUMC Crucifer.

Post Graduation Plans: Attend Grinnell College.



Name: David Beyer

School: W.T. Woodson High School

Accomplishments: Member of the Leadership class and Tennis Captain for two years.

Activities: Volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee, Tennis, and AUMC Crucifer.

Post Graduation Plans: Attend Radford University: Major in Science.



Name: Carolyn Hartley

School: Annandale High School

Accomplishments: International Baccalaureate diploma candidate, President of National Honor Society, Key Club Editor, Spanish Honor Society, Math Honor Society, Executive Officer and Section Leader in Band, and Sandy Johnson Inova Family Scholarship Fund recipient.

Activities: Fairfax County District Band, Girls State and Virginia Governor's Spanish Academy attendee, Pittsburgh Project, and AUMC Crucifer.

Post Graduation Plans: Attend the College of William and Mary.



Name: Montgomery "Monte" McCarthy

School: Annandale High School

Accomplishments: Varsity basketball Captain for two years, Cross Country Captain, National Honor Society, Math Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society,

Activities: Basketball, Cross Country, Track & Field, lifeguard, Extreme Frisbee, percussion playing, gourmet cooking, and AUMC Crucifer.

Post Graduation Plans: Attend Virginia Tech University: Major in Environmental Economics, Management, and Policy and Minor in Green Engineering.



Mark

4:30-32

In this passage, Jesus speaks about the kingdom of God and compares it to a mustard seed. Referred to as the smallest seed on earth it grows to a great shrub. Next time you are at the grocery store, go to the spice aisle and look for a mustard seed. Observe how small it is – does it resemble a great shrub to you?

The way I discern the mustard seed imagery and the kingdom of God is that it is our responsibility to grow it. How do we do this? By good actions, by giving someone a chance when most people won't, and to take time out of our day to plant a seed no matter its size. If we do these things God's word says we can expect a great shrub.

The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed—the smallest seed of all. Not a lot of people would take a second look at it if we saw it on the ground. But what if we did stop and take a second look. What if we take that seed and plant it? How can the kingdom of God be a real place of rest for those who are tired and hurt? Start planting the seed of the kingdom of God in those whom you encounter: friends, relatives, colleagues, and most importantly strangers. I know that if we take the time to plant the seed we can produce great shrubs for the kingdom.



Let's End Human Trafficking! AUMC is encouraged to "Think Globally but Act Locally" as it attempts to help combat human trafficking. Anyone interested in joining a small group that will explore what efforts are already being done in Northern Virginia and how we can help, is encouraged to contact Marie Cavanagh at cavanaghm@aol.com or 703-379-1719 or Debbi Iwig at diwig621@gmail.com or 301-365-7532.

Burnett and Ramona Thompson Fellowship in Adult Discipleship



On Sunday, May 20, the Academy of Discipleship announced the establishment of the Burnett and Ramona Thompson Fellowship in Adult Discipleship. The purpose of the fund is to honor two of the longest serving teachers at AUMC by establishing a Fellowship Program for seminarians and others interested in adult discipleship. Thompson Fellows will commit to a semester or year "in residence" at the AUMC Academy of Discipleship where they will learn about adult discipleship ministry and also teach a class, lead a small group, or offer other discipleship opportunities.

Anyone wishing to honor the Thompsons by contributing to this program may make donations to Annandale UMC with the memo: Thompson Fellowship. The fund will be used to provide a scholarship or stipend to Thompson Fellows during their tenure with the AUMC Academy of Discipleship.

LOTS HAPPENING IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

June 10 – CM VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST – 9:45 a.m. Teachers, Chapel leaders, Choir team and Children's Council will enjoy a time of celebration as we close the year. Children will be working on a special thank you for their teachers during this time. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO ASSIST WITH CLASSES THIS SUNDAY FROM 9:45-10:25 a.m. OR SO.** Classes will have an end of the year celebration to end the class.

June 17 – SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS! Please check your calendars to sign up to help one Sunday this Summer: June 17, 24, July 1, 8, 22, 29, August 5, 12, 19, 26.

BRIDGING FROM CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TO YOUTH MINISTRY

We will formally recognize this important milestone on Sunday, June 10.

Our 5th grade class will present their special project to the congregation in worship on Sunday, June 17. Mark your calendars now!



OUR CHURCH *family*

Thank You

To the AUMC Congregation,

It has been a pleasure to serve as your Bookkeeper for the last 23 years. I want to thank you for the lovely receptions that you gave for me after worship on May 20th. You made my husband, daughter, her husband, my pastor and members of my church feel very welcomed. The print of the Little White Church by P. Buckley Moss was a most touching gift. I will think of you every time that I look at it. The generosity that you have shown to me through the years is a wonderful reminder of the meaning of God's love.

Most sincerely,

Mary Harris

Our Sympathy To

David and Larry Wood and family on the death of their mother, Hilda Wood.

Wayne Roberts and family on the death of his two brothers.

Family and friends of Mary Shoaf.

FURNITURE DONATIONS NEEDED

There are families in our community who do not have furniture! Donate your gently used furniture to ACCA (Annandale Christian Community for Action). ACCA volunteers will pick up your furniture and take it to a family referred by county social workers. Items needed include: mattresses/box springs (NO king size, please); kitchen and dining tables and chairs; sofa's (no sleepers), living room chairs; coffee tables; end tables; lamps. For more information and to schedule pick up, call 703-256-9513.



AUMC now offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smart phone. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's Quick Response (QR) code reader!



AARP SAFE DRIVING COURSE FOR SENIORS (55 & over) - The AARP Safe Driving Course for Seniors is coming to AUMC again in June. Those who complete the two-day course will receive a certificate

to submit to their auto insurance company. This often results in a reduction of the insurance premium. The course will be held Monday and Tuesday, June 18 and 19, in AUMC's Media Center, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., with an hour off for lunch. The cost is \$12 for AARP members (bring your card) and \$14 for non-members. Since space is limited, you must register ahead of time by calling Jane Underhill (703-573-2056). If you get a machine, leave your name and telephone number, and we will confirm your reservation. No need to pay in advance. Pay on the first day of the course – cash or checks made out to AARP.

Travel Opportunity - You are invited to join the Rev. Ray Edmonds and other Virginia United Methodists in traveling to the beautiful, historic Central and Northern Italy on Oct. 31-Nov. 10, 2012. Visit Venice, Pisa, Florence, Amalfi Coast, Sorrento, Pompeii and Rome. The cost is \$2,990 for land tour and roundtrip airfare from Washington D.C. which includes taxes and airline fuel charges. Call now for a brochure at 804-852-3633 or email at Ray@gowithray.com. Additional is also available on Ray's website www.GoWithRay.com

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

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 the form below along with a check, made payable to AUMC. Cost: \$25 per arrangement.

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| July | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 |
| August | | | | |
| September | | | | 30 |
| October | 14 | | | |
| November | 11 | 18 | | |
| December | | 16 | | 30 |

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.

MINISTRY MEETINGS

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| Tues., June 5 | Trustees | 7:30 p.m. | Room 303 |
| Wed., June 6 | Stephen Ministries | 7:30 p.m. | Room 303 |
| Tues., June 12 | Finance Committee | 7:00 p.m. | Room 210 |
| Tues., June 12 | Missions Committee | 7:00 p.m. | Room 302 |
| Tues., June 12 | Caring Ministries | 7:30 p.m. | Room 303 |

LECTIONARY TEXTS

June 10, Second day of Pentecost: I Samuel 8L4-20 (11:14-15), Psalm 138 (UMH 853), 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Mark 3:20-35.

June 17, First Sunday after Pentecost: I Samuel 15:34-16:13, Psalm 20 or Psalm 72 (UMH 795), 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13), 14-17, Mark 4:26-34

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WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, June 10

Outreach greeters: 8:30 a.m. J. Vance, B. Brown 9:30 a.m.

A. Witkowski 10:30 a.m. D. Johnson

Greeters: Caring Ministries

Fellowship Hour Hosts: Education

Acolytes: TBD

Crucifers: TBD

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. S. Fleming, T. Lank, R. Roberts, E. McKenney (C)

11 a.m. S. Fleming, P. Straub, B. Summerson, P. Snitzer (C)

Sunday, June 17

Outreach greeters: 8:30 a.m. E. Wilson, C. Cox 9:30 a.m.

M. Pearson 10:30 a.m. W. Ward

Greeters: Communion Stewards

Fellowship Hour Hosts: Deborah/ Miriam Circles

Acolytes: TBD

Crucifers: TBD

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. S. Chase, B. Pehthal, P. Pehthal, S. Nkesi (C)

11 a.m. B. Gordon, E. Ramsey, R. Witkowski, P. Adams (C)

NEXT DEADLINE

Fri. June 8 is the deadline for the June 19 Witness which covers June 24 and July 1

AUMC WEEKDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



Zoo Trip

The CDC three year old and PreK classes recently took a field trip to the National Zoo.

The parents and staff were excited to see Betty White on a special tour that day. The children particularly enjoyed watching a playful baby gorilla do tumbling tricks, the orangutans swinging on a rope, and a wild boar.

Vacation Bible School!



**God's Green Earth
Vacation Bible School
July 9-13**

Register today!

**Ages 3 years (as of Sept. 30, 2011)
through 4th grade**

**Helpers from youth to Seasoned Saints are
welcome! Join us for lots of fun!!**



**KIM and Jr. KIM (Kids in Mission)
Monday, July 23-Thursday, July 26.
Evening program: 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

**Jr. KIM (completed 2nd -3rd grade)
KIM (completed 4th-6th grade)**

**Forms for VBS and KIM are available
on-line, in the atrium and the 3rd floor
Parent Resource Area!**

God's Green Earth needs your help. We are collecting the following used materials to use in our VBS program. We will have collection vessels out next week...we'll take as much as you have of the following: buttons, washers, colored glass, marbles, small paint brushes (traditional or foam) coins, keys, tools used for do-it-yourself projects (allen wrenches, etc), pet tags, bottle caps, baby food jars, oil cloth, picnic blankets or any scraps of oil cloth, magnets, Michael's coupons and AC Moore coupons.