

...AND I WILL SUPPORT THE CHURCH WITH MY PRAYERS,
MY PRESENCE, MY GIFTS AND MY SERVICE.

OUR PRAYERS: (Please write prayer requests or call the office.)

For our ongoing ministries

For the sick and those in need:

Family and friends of Casey Schulman	Janet Woods
Bobbie Stevenson, mother of Tina Svenson	Sherril Reid
Alan Hampton, brother of Rick Hampton	LaQueta Thomasson
Marcia Cornell, cousin of Luanne Pond	Mary Ann Marples
Allan Cogswell, Sr., father of Allan Cogswell, Jr.	Pat Shand
Philip McConville, brother of Jim McConville	Jeanette Bell
Joe McNulty, friend of the McConville family	Ginny Vardy
Barbara Gard, grandmother of Tracie Clemmer	Cleveland Askins
Barbara Duman, friend of Denny and Jennifer Stokes	Lisa King
Chrisanne Lenzsch, friend of Erin McKenney	Jack Whitley
Louise Powers, aunt of John Clemmer	Eric Yapo
Horst Ohmke, father-in-law of Michelle Ohmke	Elaine Snider
Miriam Carver, friend of Lynn Jenkins	Pat and Doddie Cave
Sue Medlin Smith, friend of Patricia Martino-Shapiro	Donna Dye
Connie Pearson, mother of Mark Pearson	Roger Shanzer
Bertha Bryant, mother of Wanda Carr	Danny Nash
Tao, friend of Helen Newkirk	Jeffrey Gaines, friend of Jaie Brown
Mary, Ann, Ray, Erin, friends of Margaret Lowry	Helen Newkirk
Dennis, friend of Betsy Clevenger	John and Jean Moreland
Kelly Maurer, friend of Louise Golobic	Luke Stewart
Tara L. Covey, friend of Sandra Chase	Elizabeth and Win Barrow
Nancy Borneman, friend of Sandra Chase	Victoria Mayfield-Mayo
Heike Knight, sister of Margaret Vaughn	Peggy Ward
Zab Palmberg, friend of Elaina Carrillo	Margaret Lowry
Joseph Martino, father of Patricia Martino-Shapiro	Randy Bevis
Carlos Leon, friend of Jacquie Segal	Bonnie Avillion
Chase Hammons, brother of Kimberly Coffey	Rita Barringer
Jim Matheny, friend of Don Yesukaitis	Ron Weber
Ryder Fletcher, son-in-law of Shirley Littlejohn	Mary Peters
Steve Ripper, brother-in-law of Don Yesukaitis	
John Campbell, father-in-law of Paul Johnson	

For bereaved members and their families:

Patricia Shattuck and family on the death of her stepdaughter,
Elizabeth Shattuck
Stefan Ohmke and family on the death of his father, Horst Ohmke
Dan Thomasson and family on the death of his brother

OUR SERVICES:

Greeters: Youth Fellowship Hosts: Phoebe/Lydia Circles

Hearing devices are available upon request from the ushers.

Presiding Bishop: Young Jin Cho, Richmond Area Virginia Conference

District Superintendent: Rev. Kenneth Jackson

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Clarence R. Brown Associate Pastor: Rev. Eduardo Carrillo

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

Korean Pastor: Rev. Dr. Paul Shin

Accountant: Wanda Carr Dir. of Weekday Children's Programs: Maribeth Day

Assistant to DCEC: Stephanie Haley Dir. of Youth Ministries: TJ Knowland

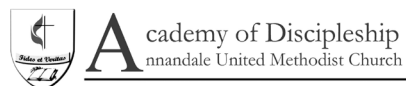
Business Administrator: Garry Bell Facilities Maintenance Manager: Taye Nadi

Cemetery Manager: Mike Moser Media Specialist: Diana Dzikiewicz

Communications Manager: Barbara Gordon Membership Secretary: Dottie Rogerson

Dir. of Christian Ed. for Children: Becki Stewart Office Manager: Joyce Kitzmiller

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



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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:45 a.m.

Bible Fellowship is studying Alpha/Christianity 101 in Rm. 111.

Disciple I (Sunday School Edition) meets in Rm. 210.

Exploring Faith in Life is studying **Advent Study 2012** in Rm. 303.

In His Steps is studying **Advent Study 2012** in Rm. 302.

Issues in Modern Christianity is studying *Why Evil Exists* in Rm. 307.

Kaleidoscope meets in Rm. 300.

Parents and Promises meets in Rm. 305.

Williams Bible Class meets in Rm. 118.

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

Women of the Day is studying **Advent Study 2012** in the Parlor.

MID-WEEK ADVENT STUDY GROUPS

Grace and Truth Small Groups meets every other Monday at 7 p.m.
in the Parlor.

Thursday Book Study meets on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. in Rm. 210.

For more information and registration, visit www.academyofdiscipleship.com.

THE GRID

(Director: TJ Knowland, tjknowland@annandale-umc.org)

Youth Sunday School Classes

Connect Class (Grades 6-7): Meet in Room 209

Epistle Class (Grades 8-9): Meet in Room 308

Deeper Class (Grades 10-12): Meet in the Youth Room (Room 105)

Christmas Caroling Tonight: Instead of *Ramp* at the church we'll be going caroling as *The Grid* tonight! We'll meet at the home of the Jones family at 5:30 and will be finished at 7:30. All youth need to be fed prior and dropped off then picked up at the Jones' house. Friends are welcome!

Christmas Party Next Sunday Night! We will be having a White Elephant gift exchange so bring a gift, under \$5, to exchange. Gifts can be cute, funny, creative, original, etc. Hope to see you!



Children's Ministries

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

No Sunday School Today! Enjoy the Christmas Pageant.

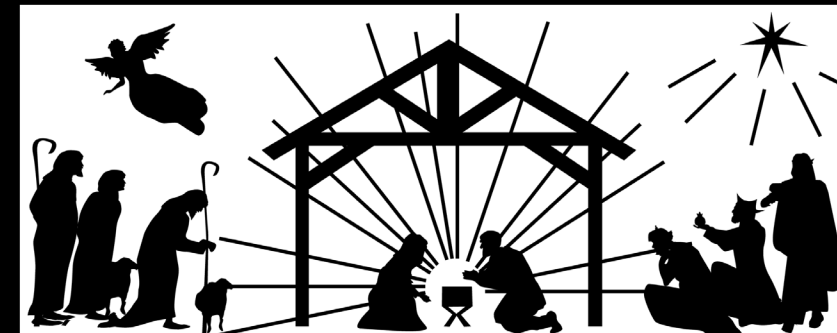
Christmas Pageant Thanks: We celebrate the gift of the Christmas Pageant brought to us by the children and are blessed by Producer Marianna Conroy who spent countless hours organizing all the details. Thanks to co-directors Mary Peters and Nancy Bonanno, and to the volunteers who make this wonderful tradition possible!

Thanks to those who made St. Nick's Workshop a festive time for families during the Advent season, to Nancy Sherman for organizing crafts, to our youth "elves", and to Joni Laurence for her work for the Secret Santa Shop.

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL: Lend support by donating today! Sponsored by the 4th grade. Over \$1,400 has been raised. See display in the Atrium.

Pick up your family Advent Calendar in the Atrium or Parent Resource Area on the 3rd floor.

Come KNOW, GROW, and SOW with us!



Annandale United Methodist Church

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

Dec. 9, 2012 • 8:30 and 11 a.m.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

WELCOME OF VISITORS

+GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN PEACE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT

"Prepare Ye"

Robinson
Adult Choir

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Johnson-Oliver

Leader: Through time and space, in the blink of the eye, the love of God stretched forth in the life of a young girl, asking that she be part of God's great plan of Salvation.

People: **Her name was Mary. She was not of wealth or power. She was a person, just like you and me.**

Leader: The Good News came first to the lowly.

People: **Even today, we believe that good news often comes only to the mighty. How wrong we are!**

Leader: In a world where hatred and fear was commonplace, the Christ Child would be born.

ALL: **Fear and Hatred are far too commonplace in our world. May the Christ Child come new into our hearts this day.**

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"Blessed be the God of Israel"*

Hymnal No. 209

LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE 8:30 Sherfey Family
11 Ruhter Family

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.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Carrillo

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY "Heaven's Child" arr. Kirkland and Fettke
Kyla Carney, solo

+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

+HYMN "What Child is This?", vs. 1 only Hymnal No. 219

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE Luke 1:39-45

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

SERMON "Mary and Elizabeth" Rev. Carrillo

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

SENDING FORTH

+RECESSIONAL HYMN "Joy to the World", vs. 1, 2, 4
Hymnal No. 246

+BENEDICTION

+CHORAL RESPONSE "Walk in the Light"
Walk in the light, beautiful light,
Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.
Shine all around us by day and by night,
Jesus, the Light of the world.

+POSTLUDE "Sussex Carol" arr. Hayes
Justin Dean, piano

+Please stand as you are able.

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OUR PRESENCE: Dec. 2 Sunday Worship: 538 Sunday School: 167
Offerings Last Sunday: \$29,516.98

Flowers on the Altar are offered to the Glory of God and in memory of their mother, Marti Moyer, by Andi Lohr and Mitzi Sherwood.

Flowers on the Altar are offered to the Glory of God and in memory of their dads, James M. Long and Joseph E. McCarthy, by Margi and Joe McCarthy.

Congratulations to Wilton and Peggy Ward who celebrate their 61st wedding anniversary Dec. 13.

Events at AUMC!

The next **Wednesday Night Together** is on Dec. 12. Reservations are due by noon on Monday, Dec. 10, and can be made on the pew pad or by contacting Joyce Kitzmiller, jkitzmiller@annandale-umc.org or 703-256-8330. The program is Advent Worship and Communion. The menu is a baked potato bar, glazed carrots and Mississippi Mud Cake for dessert. Cost is \$7/person, \$3/child, \$20/family, or \$10/carry-out meal payable in cash or check at the door; make checks payable to AUMC.

Thank You Dr. Shin: After more than 17 years of dedicated and distinguished service as Annandale UMC's Korean Pastor, Dr. Paul Shin has announced his retirement effective Dec. 31. Dr. Shin has been a tremendous gift to AUMC as he has shared his love of Jesus with the Korean congregation. He has also been a steady presence at Evergreen House. Expressions of thanks and appreciation for Dr. Shin's many contributions may be made with a cash "love gift" to Dr. Shin. Place gift in an envelope labeled "love gift for Dr. Shin" in the worship offering plate by Dec. 23 or send to the church office by 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 31.

"Stamp Out Loneliness": Caring Ministries is collecting 2013 picture calendars, note cards, writing paper and "Forever" postage stamps for women incarcerated in the Fluvanna Correctional Center, Virginia. Bring items to the collection box outside of the church office. Please give postage stamps to the office staff.

The Happy Wanderers will be travelling to Occoquan on Thursday, Dec. 20. If interested call Rosemary Perdue at 703-354-6645.

Little White Church ornaments (\$25) and notecards (\$10) are for sale in the church office. Please pay in cash or by check to AUMC.

Please Purchase Pecans: UMW is selling a new crop of pecans after each Sunday worship service. To reserve a case of 24, or to make a special request, contact Joni Laurence at 703-941-7481, Sally Bizer at 703-256-3373 or Evie Gibson at 703-256-2905. Thank you for supporting UMW mission projects.

You're invited! Come share a bowl of soup or chili with salad and desserts after church on Dec. 30 with the AUMC family. There will be gluten free and vegetarian options. The young adults are raising funds for the future mission trips. There's no cost; donations are appreciated.

Year-End Reminders: All gifts to be credited for 2012 tax purposes must be received in the church office by 11:30 a.m. on Monday Dec. 31 or postmarked by Monday, Dec. 31. If you are responsible for expense vouchers for your work area, vouchers must be submitted on or before Wednesday, Dec. 19.



Mark Your Calendar



Today: Advent Sermon Series: Chapter 3 – Mary's Visit to Elizabeth. See back of bulletin for classes and groups.

Sundays, Dec. 9 & 16: Honor someone in your life by giving an animal through Heifer Project International to help a hungry family.

Tuesday, Dec 11, 7 p.m.: "What Sweeter Music" Fairfax Choral Society Youth Christmas concert. Tickets \$20 in advance (\$10 for students) online at www.fairfaxchoralsociety.org or \$22 and \$10 at the door.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m.: Annandale HS Winter Concert.

Wednesdays, Dec. 12 and 19, Wednesday Night Together dinner (5:45 p.m.) and Advent Worship Service (6:30 p.m.).

Sunday, Dec. 16, 6:30 p.m.: An Evening in December concert, presented by AUMC Music Ministry.

Thursday, Dec. 20, 5-7 p.m.: food distribution at Immanuel campus. Contact Betsy Clevenger, 703-425-6424.

Monday, Dec. 24, 4, 7 and 11 p.m.: Christmas Eve worship services.

Sunday, Jan. 6, 6:30 p.m.: Brethren Epiphany Concert. Tickets available before and after Sunday morning worship. \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door on the day of the performance.

Seminar/Kaleidoscope: Today Dr. Jack Underhill will review A.N. Wilson's book *Paul: the Mind of an Apostle* at 9:50 a.m. in room 300.



Planning is underway for Winter/Spring classes in 2013. If you would like to lead a class or small group, email cjohansonoliver@annandale-umc.org and bgordon@annandale-umc.org.

Day Trip to Old Town, Alexandria, sponsored by the Shepherd's Center on Dec. 12 will leave at 10 a.m. from AUMC. Cost \$12. For more information call SCAS at 703-941-1419.

Christmas Wreath Sale: Boy Scout Troop 150 is selling 22" fir Christmas wreaths with pinecone decorations and a bow before and after Sunday services. Cost is \$20 each; two or more for \$18 each.

Donations for 350 Christmas baskets for neighbors in need are being collected by Rising Hope United Methodist Mission Church. Food donations are needed by Dec. 17, and funds to purchase food are due Dec. 11. (Make checks out to Rising Hope.) Donations can be taken or sent to Rising Hope, 8220 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22309. Items needed are: chicken, turkey and ham, jarred gravy, chicken broth, stuffing, mac n' cheese/pasta, canned fruit, canned vegetables, boxed desserts. For details, contact Sarah at 703-360-1976 or sheckman@risinghopeumc.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

To place a poinsettia in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on Dec. 23, please complete the form below and return it to the church office with your check for \$10.50 per plant **by Sunday, Dec. 16.**

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: _____

I will take the poinsettia Give poinsettia to shut-ins