

AUGUST 30, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. On behalf of Lomax, two Lomax members, who asked not to be acknowledged and to remain anonymous, purchased backpacks and back-to-school supplies for the children of Lomax. Some pictures are attached. Kudos to our back-to-school angels.

2. Tomorrow, Saturday, August 29, 2020, at 3 pm Pastor Nelson and some church officers will have a brief rededication observance now that the painting, flooring, and carpeting has been completed in the sanctuary. **Lomax's Trustees are to be commended for a job well done refurbishing the sanctuary!**

3. Sunday, August 30, 2020, Bro. Ray Pincham's trial sermon will take place. As a reminder, due to our physical distancing protocols, 25 seats will be reserved for Bro. Pincham's family, friends, and invited guests and 10 seats will be assigned to representatives of the ministerial staff, Steward, Trustee, and Leaders Boards, Music Ministry, Media Ministry, and Ushers. All others are invited to watch via livestream, which can be accessed through Lomax's website -- www.lomaxchurchva.com. **Thank you to our Deaconesses, Stewards, Trustees, and Ushers, as well as the Health Unit and others who played a role in readying the sanctuary for this worship service.**

4. **I will be on a staycation from Monday, August 31 through Monday, September 14, 2020. For pastoral care needs, please contact Rev. Dr. Monica Hargrove or any member of the ministerial staff. For other needs, please contact Bro. Tommy Baugh, the Preacher's Steward.**

5. The Adult Sunday School class will meet on Sunday at 9:30 am by conference call and Zoom. The new dial-in number is 1-301-715-8592. To connect by Zoom please use the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89311232668>. If requested, the Meeting ID is: 893 1123 2668.

6. The Sunday worship video will be available at 11 am via Lomax's website and YouTube channel.

7. The time to respond to the Survey relating to reopening Lomax has been extended to August 31, 2020. Here is the Survey link:

<https://form.jotform.com/ArlingtonEA/lomax-ame-zion-churchs-return-to-ch> Please anticipate a call from your class leader encouraging you to complete the survey. For those, who need assistance, your class leader will note your feedback about reopening the church.

8. As this pandemic stretches on, please consider increasing the amount that you give to the Ministry of Kindness each week so that we can meet the needs of those who are looking to the church for help. Thank you for your generosity in advance.
9. During these difficult times, please remember that Lomax has resources to assist those in need, including: the Ministry Kindness, the Food Pantry, our class Leaders, and our Pastor. Please reach out if you are in need. Please note the confidential phone number for the Food Pantry is: 703-979-8408.
10. Continued thanks to Lomax's Financial Team, Media Ministry, Class Leaders, Trustee Board, and Steward Board for continuing to serve faithfully during this time.
11. Lastly, thank you to each of you for continuing to send in your tithes and offerings. The congregation continues to be very generous, and for that we thank you. All offerings should be given using Givelify or by sending them to the church using the U.S. mail. (Please do not send cash.)