

January 23, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Pausing In-Person Worship: Please be reminded that in-person worship has been paused during the month of January due to the surge in COVID-19 cases primarily due to the highly transmissible Omicron variant. We will revisit the current pause prior to the First Sunday in February.

2. Celebrating the Lomax Senior Ministry 20th Anniversary: This Saturday, January 22, 2022, at 9:00 am, the Lomax Senior Ministry will celebrate its 20th anniversary. You're invited to join the Lomax Church family and friends as we celebrate this special occasion. The Senior Ministry will be featuring our own seniors, ages 80-plus years old, and solicit your participation and prayers. **Theme: Remembering our Past, Embracing our Present, and Preparing for the Future.** The Program for the celebration is attached and Zoom participation information follows:

Join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85106069738>
Meeting ID: 851 0606 9738

Dial-In: 301-715-8592.
Meeting ID: 851 0606 9738

3. Sunday School: Sunday School will take place at 9:30 am. You may participate as follows:

Join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89311232668>
Meeting ID: 893 1123 2668

Dial-In: 301-715-8592.
Meeting ID: 893 1123 2668

4. Sunday Worship: This Sunday, at 11 am, we will have virtual worship via Facebook Live and Lomax's website. The bulletin for Sunday is attached.

5. Lomax's 3rd Quarterly Conference: Presiding Elder Alvin T. Durant will hold Lomax's 3rd Quarterly Conference on Monday, January 24, 2022, at 7 pm. **Thank you, Lomax ministry leaders, for submitting our reports as requested!** Unless excused by Presiding Elder Durant, all clergy and ministry leaders are expected to participate in the Quarterly Conference. **Please note that Lomax's delegate and alternate delegate to District Conference and Annual Conference will be elected during this meeting.** Following is Zoom participation information:

Join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89171322356>
Meeting ID: 891 7132 2356

Dial-In: 301-715-8592.
Meeting ID: 891 7132 2356

6. NEWS FROM THE PEWS: Reminder -- You are invited to catch-up on the activities of the Lomax Lay Council and discuss other ministry work at the Lomax Lay Council meeting, this Sunday, January 23, 2022, at 2:00pm. Zoom participation information follows:

Join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81169309387>
Meeting ID: 811 6930 9387
Passcode: 325718

Dial-In: 301-715-8592.
Meeting ID: 811 6930 9387
Passcode: 325718

7. Intercessory Prayer: Intercessory Prayer will continue on Tuesday at 6:30 am. God is moving on Tuesday mornings! Why don't you join in? Here is the Zoom information to Participate:

Join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86028580752>
Meeting ID: 860 2858 0752

Dial-In: 301-715-8592
Meeting ID: 860 2858 0752

8. Lomax Bible Study: Bible study will continue this week on Wednesday, January 12, 2022.. We will continue our deep dive of the Mid-Atlantic Episcopal District Spiritual Emphasis book, *The Trellis and The Vine* by Colin Marshall and Tony Payne. Zoom participation information will be sent out during the week.

9. Information from the Health Unit: January is Glaucoma Awareness Month. Additional Information from the Health Unit about glaucoma is attached.

10. Feedback Requested: The Lomax Senior Ministry is seeking your feedback from out Intergenerational Senior Ministry Fellowship. A survey is attached. Thanks in advance for your response.

11. Washington District 5th Sunday Fellowship: The Washington District 5th Sunday Fellowship will be held on Sunday, January 30, 2022, at 3:00 pm. Rev. Delmar Lytle will be the afternoon preacher. A flyer is below that contains Zoom participation information.

12. Washington District 3rd Mass Meeting: Lomax will host the Washington District 3rd Mass Meeting on Saturday, February 5, 2022, beginning at 9:00 am. Lomax will be responsible for the opening devotion. **We would like to win the category of most registered members for a large church. As such, we are asking all willing Lomax members, not just missionaries, to please pay \$5.00 toward roll call and the**

outreach. This amount may be paid through your giving envelopes or using Givelify.

13. 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.

14. During these difficult times, please remember that Lomax has resources to assist those in need, including: the Ministry of 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.

15. Continued thanks to Lomax's Financial Team, Media Ministry, Class Leaders, Trustee Board, and Steward Board for continuing to serve faithfully during this time.

16. 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.)

Have a blessed week!