

April 10, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Holy Week and Easter: As we approach Holy Week and Easter, below is information relating to how we will observe this most holy season:

- Wednesday, April 13 @ 7 pm: MasterLife Discipleship Training Class (via Zoom)
- Thursday, April 14 @ 7 pm: "Living Lord's Supper" Presentation & Communion (via livestream and in-person with registration)
- Friday, April 15 @ 12 noon: Arlington Coalition of Black Clergy Community "Seven Last Words" (via Mt. Olive social media and in-person with registration via Eventbrite)
- Friday, April 15 @ 7 pm: "Seven Last Words" service (via livestream and in-person with registration)
- Saturday, April 16 @ 2-4 pm: Children's Easterfest (Lomax lower parking lot)
- Sunday, April 17 @ 6:30 am: Sunrise Service (via Zoom)
- Sunday, April 17 @ 9 am : Sunday School (via Zoom) (Please note the time change.)
- Sunday, April 17 @ 11 am: Easter worship service (via livestream and in-person with registration)

2. Virtual Fitness "FUN" Workout: Join the Fitness class this Saturday, April 9, 2022, at 8:30 am for a virtual "FUN" workout. Bring water, towel, mat, stretch bands, weights, and "smiles." See you on Saturday, Donna V. Gainey and the Crew!!!

Join via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82471371758>
Meeting ID: 824 7137 1758

3. S.H.A.R.E.: S.H.A.R.E orders should be submitted by Monday, April 11, 2022. Email Sis. Gloria at ghc688@gmail.com or leave a voicemail message on the food pantry phone line 703. 979. 8408. Email orders will receive a reply confirmation and telephone orders will be confirmed with a return phone call. Order payments are due Saturday, April 16, 2022. The distribution day is Saturday, April 23, 2022, during the hours of 11:15 am to 12:30 pm.

4. 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 26682

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

5. Worship: This Sunday, at 11 am we will have in-person worship for those who have registered. The worship service will also be livestreamed and available through Facebook Live and Lomax's website. Those who have registered and will be worshipping in-person this Sunday are reminded that Lomax's COVID-19 protocols will be strictly enforced to keep everyone safe. Sunday's bulletin is attached.

6. Intercessory Prayer: Intercessory Prayer will continue on Tuesday at 6:30 am. Here is the Zoom information to Participate:

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

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

7. Lomax Discipleship Training: Please note that due to Holy Week, this week's MasterLife Discipleship Training class will be held on Wednesday, April 13, at 7 pm. Zoom participation information is as follows:

Join Zoom
Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87984647274?pwd=c2lmSWZRYUhOaHZpRkpOMlNUb1JQQT09>
Meeting ID: 879 8464 7274
Passcode: 360938

8. Holy Week 2022: Following is specific information about our Holy Week services and activities. Flyers were sent out earlier in the week. Please share them with others.

- **"Living Lord's Supper":** Join us for the "Living Lord's Supper" on Thursday, April 14, 2022, at 7 pm. This dramatic presentation will recreate, based upon scripture, the first Lord's Supper. Communion will be served to those present. This service will be livestreamed. To attend in person, please contact the church office to provide your name.

- **Community Seven Last Words:** The Arlington Coalition of Black Clergy will present the Seven Last Words on Friday, April 15, 2022, at 12 noon. Dr. James Victor, Jr. will be the preacher for the service. Limited in-person participation is possible with registration via Eventbrite. Please see the attached flyer for Eventbrite registration information and for information on how to view the service virtually.

- **Seven Last Words at Lomax:** On Friday, April 15, 2022, at 7 pm, Lomax will host a presentation of the Seven Last Words by the Virginia Churches of the Washington District. In addition to the four pastors of Virginia Washington District Churches, Presiding Elder Durant will preach the final word and two words will be presented via spoken word by Dr. Heath Cheek and Ms. Sarah Kinard. To attend in person, please contact the church office to provide your name. This service will also be livestreamed. A flyer was provided earlier in the week.

- **Children's Easter Fest:** Our Children's Department will sponsor a Community Children's Easter Fest on Saturday, April 16, 2022, from 2-4 pm. The activities planned will take place on Lomax's lower parking lot. A flyer with more information was provided earlier in the week.

9. A Special Thank You to Pastor Nelson and the Lomax Family: Praise the Lord for the support of a loving Church Family, during my recent illness and surgery. Words are inadequate to express my gratitude to each of you for the kindness shown to me during my illness. Your cards, your calls, visits, flowers, your love and most of all your prayers, meant so much to me and helped me through some trying times. My family and I are grateful and thank you for being there in a time of need. God is so wonderful and all powerful, and as I recover, each of you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Thanks again for all you have done to make a difference in my life. -- Sincerely and Sisterly, Anne K Williams

10. Lomax Softball Team: Calling all softball players! Spring is here and it's time to get things SWINGING again! If you are interested in playing on Lomax's Coed Team, please contact Breeana Roseboro at 703-772-3560.

11. Lomax Senior Ministry 20th Anniversary Book Expressions: The Lomax Senior Ministry celebrated its 20th anniversary on January 22, 2022. The theme for the celebration was "Remembering our Past, Embracing our Present." At that observance, Lomax's seniors, ages 80+, were featured along with other family and friends, sharing what the ministry has meant to them through the years. In an effort to document those expressions, a keepsake book of expressions is going to be produced. The Anniversary Committee is requesting that each participant prepare a one-page hard copy of your video expression and submit it by April 10, 2022. If you did not participate in January and would like to share an expression, feel free to do so. Submissions should be made to Sis. Ruthy Brown at rutbro@aol.com and Sis. Brenda Humphrey at humphreybk4@gmail.com. You may also submit a hard copy to Sis. Brown at 8408 Telegraph Road, Lorton, VA 22079. Questions may be directed to Sis. Brown at 703-339-4245 or Sis. Jerolene Pincham at 301-868-2084. Thank you in advance for your support.

12. Senior Ministry Activities:

- **Stations of the Cross** - On Saturday, April 16th at 10:00 am, please join the members of the Lomax Senior Ministry as they visit our sister church St.

Michael's Episcopal Church to experience the Stations of the Cross Exhibit that will be in the church's yard. Rev. Beth Franklin will be meeting with us to walk us through the experience. The church is located at 1132 N. Ivanhoe Street, Arlington, VA 22205. Please let Brenda Cox or Jeri Pincham know if you will be joining us and/or if you will need transportation. The invitation is extended to our entire congregation, including our children. Looking forward to sharing with you!

• **NOTE: There will be no Senior Meeting on Saturday, April 23, 2022.**

13. MasterLife Discipleship Training Closeout: Members of Lomax will complete their MasterLife Discipleship training classes during Holy Week. A closeout will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 7 pm. Members of Lomax are invited to attend the closeout so that you can see what those who participated have learned. Also, it is our hope that your attendance will motivate those who did not participate in MasterLife Discipleship Training to do so when it is offered again. So, please save the date and plan to support those who will be completing MasterLife Discipleship Training.

14. Lomax Membership Conference Assessments: As we approach the FY 2021/2022 conference year ending, May 31, 2022, we are encouraging members who haven't paid your annual assessment dues of \$350.00 for General Claims \$265.00 and Quarterly Conference \$85.00. Please pay your assessments in order for Lomax to meet its church obligations, and by submitting your donations thru you2r church envelope, Givelify, or you may see your Class Leader or Sis. Ruthy Brown. Thank you in Advance!

15. 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.

16. 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.

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

18. 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