

## April 3, 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 @ 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 2, 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. 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

**4. 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 and the monthly Prayer List are attached.

**5. 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

**6. W.O.W. Lenten Preaching Series:** This Wednesday, April 6, 2022, we will conclude our weekly W.O.W (Worship on Wednesdays) Lenten Preaching Series. Each service begins at 7 pm and may be accessed via Zoom or viewed via Facebook Live. Our theme is "Following Jesus," based upon John 8:12. Zoom participation information is as follows:

Join Zoom

Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88160643287?pwd=ZW5CWnpXb3VFMVFvUk41VmZQTWJIUT09>

Meeting ID: 881 6064 3287  
Passcode: 779574

Dial-In Information: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)  
Meeting ID: 881 6064 3287  
Passcode: 779574

**7. Lomax Discipleship Training:** During Lent, each Thursday at 7 pm. we are offering Discipleship training based upon the MasterLife Discipleship series. These sessions will be via Zoom and led by Rev. Alanna Thomas, the pastor of The Bridge AME Zion Church/Ministry. 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. Washington District Conference:** The Washington District will hold its District Conference virtually on April 7-9, 2022. Participation information and the Program Book will be provided once it becomes available.

**9. Health Unit Information:** Attached from the Health Unit is information relating to Organ Donation Month.

**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 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book Expressions:** The Lomax Senior Ministry celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:rutbro@aol.com) and Sis. Brenda Humphrey at [humphreybk4@gmail.com](mailto: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:**

- **XYZ Brown-Bag Lunch: Will the Wounds Heal?** Join us at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Thursday, April 7, for a brown-bag lunch in the parish hall -- followed by a program. Gathering at 12:15. Lunch at 12:30. Bring everything you need to enjoy your own meal without use of the church kitchen or supplies. Presentation at 1:15: Richard J. Jones, retired Virginia Theological Seminary professor, will tell the story of a heroic African church's unfinished work to replace revenge with forgiveness, empowered by the Spirit.
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- **Stations of the Cross** - On Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 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!

**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 your 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!