

August 6, 2023
ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Praise the Lord and Thank You! We continue to celebrate the way in which God blessed last Sunday's Youth and Young Adult service. Again, thanks to Breanna Roseboro, Bro. Ray Pincham, Sis. Denise Pincham for their leadership, as well as kudos to the youth and young adults who supported the service, including Bro. Tyrus Pincham, our vocalist, the pianist, and the drummer. To God be the glory!

2. "Come as You Are" in August: For Sunday worship, Lomax members and friends are invited to "come as you are" during the month of August.

3. Adopting Lomax's 2023-2024 Budget: At our July 13, 2023, Organizational Meeting, Lomax's 2023-2024 Budget was presented, but not adopted. As such, we will have a special Members' Meeting this Sunday, August, 6, 2023, immediately following the morning worship service for the sole purpose of adopting the budget.

4. Sunday School: Sunday School is held via Zoom each Sunday. Presently, on 1st and 3rd Sundays, you may also participate in Sunday School in-person from the Boardroom. Sunday School begins at 9:30 am. Following is Zoom participation information:

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

Dial-In Information: 301-715-8592 or 1-646-931-3860
Meeting ID: 893 1123 2268

5. Sunday Worship and Communion: Please join us and invite someone to worship with us this Sunday at 11 am. The Lord's Supper will be celebrated. Sunday's bulletin and the Prayer and Bereaved List are attached. Virtual worship may be accessed as follows: Lomax's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/lomaxamezionchurch/> or website using the Lomax Live tab at <https://www.lomaxchurchva.com/lomax-live/>.

6. Intercessory Prayer: Intercessory Prayer takes place each 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. Bible Study: There will not be Bible Study in the month of August. Bible Study will resume in September.

8. Health Unit: August is National Minority Donor Awareness Month. Information is attached.

9. 1st Quarterly Conference: Presiding Elder Durant will hold Lomax's 1st Quarterly Conference on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 7pm. This will be a virtual meeting. Here is the Zoom participation information:

Join Zoom

Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84110868692?pwd=YmQ3ekowbDdMaEhYK0dlcGNEa2NtUT09>

Meeting ID: 841 1086 8692

Passcode: 539859

Dial-in Information: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

Meeting ID: 841 1086 8692

Passcode: 539859

10. CED Eastern Region Meeting: The 2023 CED Eastern Region Meeting will be held August 10-12, 2023. It is being hosted by Pennsylvania Avenue AME Zion Church, 1128 Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21201. This year's theme is: "Forward: Sharing Our Faith." Lomax's CED leaders are encouraged to register. Please touch base with Lomax's CED Co-Directors Sis. Veronica Riley and Sis. Marcia Hinton. Rev. Tina Nelson, the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference CEC Co-Director, is on the Host Conference Planning Team. She is another resource if you have questions. Here is the registration link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-2023-eastern-region-meeting-forwardsharing-our-faith-tickets-629618344417?aff=oddtcreator>

11. Lomax Virtual VBS 2023: Lomax will have its annual Vacation Bible Study session Tuesday, August 15 - Thursday, August 17, 2023. VBS will be held virtually. **This year's VBS subject will be "4 Miles Per Hour,"** focusing on the fact that Jesus completed his mission by moving four miles per hour (the average speed of a human walking), reaching the entire world walking at least 3,000 miles during the three years of his in-person ministry. More

details will be provided. **Registration information will be emailed out at the beginning of the week.**

12. Washington District 1st Mass Meeting: Please note that Lomax will host the hybrid Washington District 1st Mass Meeting on Saturday, August 19, 2023. The meeting begins at 9 am.

13. Lay Council (News From the Pews): WE ARE BACK AT IT...and we invite your participation in the following meetings/activities/or events.

1) Next Lomax Lay Council Meeting is Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 7pm. **NEW TIME & DATE!**

2) Membership Drive Begins...Renewals or New membership is still only \$10.00.

3) WALKING TO THE MAX...AGAIN! Join our walk team and/or donate to the fundraiser for NAMI NOVA.

Festival activities, vendors, information and resources scheduled for Saturday, September 23, 2023 from 10am to 2pm at George Mason University. Follow the link to register and/or support our team. #Together4MH

<https://www.namiwalks.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donordrive.participant&participantID=481638>

HAVE QUESTIONS? GET IN TOUCH. ~Sister Byrd on behalf of the Executive Board (Wilma-Jeri-Stan-Michele-Brenda H.)

14. S.H.A.R.E.: August S.H.A.R.E. orders should be submitted by Saturday, August 19, 2023, email sis. Gloria at ghc688@gmail.com or leave a voice message on the food pantry phone line at 703.979.8408. Order payments are due Saturday, August 19, 2023. Distribution day is Saturday, August 26, 2023, during the hours of 11:15 am and 12:30 pm.

15. Community Back-to-School Events: There are two back-to-school events scheduled in our immediate community. Lomax's outreach ministries are formulating a plan to support both of these events.

- The Drew E.S. event, in partnership with Bridges to Independence, will take place on August 19, 2023.
- The Green Valley Civic Association will have its back-to-school event on August 26, 2023.

16. Scholarship Opportunity for Youth: Divine Healing Consulting's Scholarship Fund is accepting applications from students in grades K-12 in

memory of the late Sis. Fannie B. McNeill. The submission deadline is Friday, August 4, 2023. For additional information, and to apply, visit divinehealingconsulting.com.