

**September 10, 2023**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS**

**1. Mount Zion Baptist Church Community Day:** Members of Lomax are invited to support the Community Day of Mount Zion Baptist Church, which will be held this Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 12-4 pm. Admission is free. Activities, including arts and crafts, entertainment, face painting, food, games, moon bounce, prizes, and more, will take place on Mount Zion's lower parking lot.

**2. Sunday School:** Sunday School is held via Zoom each Sunday. Presently, on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

**3. Sunday Worship:** Please join us and invite someone to worship with us this Sunday at 11 am. Sunday's bulletin is 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/>.

**4. Intercessory Prayer: Intercessory Prayer will resume this Tuesday, September 12, 2023.** Here is the Zoom information to participate this week:

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

**5. Bible Study: Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 7 pm.** Our new Bible Study topic will be on "The Kingdom of God." The handout and Zoom information will be provided during the week.

**6. 1<sup>st</sup> Check-Up Meeting and Home Missions Luncheon:** Bishop W. Darin Moore will hold the 1<sup>st</sup> Check-Up Meeting on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at 10 am. The Check-Up Meeting will be hosted by Trinity AME Zion Church 3505 16<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20010. A Home Missions Luncheon will be held immediately following the 1<sup>st</sup> Check-Up Meeting. Lomax's tickets for this ticketed luncheon have been assigned.

**7. Green Valley Day 2023** – The Green Valley Civic Association will celebrate the community's 179<sup>th</sup> anniversary with Green Valley Day on September 16, 2023. Festivities will include live entertainment, vendors, health and job fairs, a kid's fun fair, community resources, educational forums, scholarship awards, and more. Sponsors, volunteers, and donations are welcome. They are seeking donations of the following: cases of water, sponsors for kids' activities, meals for volunteers, gift cards for a raffle. Membership (at varying levels) is open to anyone who wishes to support the organization. Membership applications received between September 1, 2023 - September 16, 2023 will be effective 1/1/2024 - 12/31/2024. Contact information: (703) 486-0058 and [greenvalleyciv@gmail.org](mailto:greenvalleyciv@gmail.org).

**8. Christian Education Sunday:** Join Lomax's Christian Education Department as they observe Connectional Christian Education Sunday. The CED Month theme is: "Generation Now: Securing our Future Tomorrow by SEEing our Future Today!" based upon Deuteronomy 6:4-7. The invited morning speaker will be Mr. Eric Smith, a young adult and the immediate past president of A.C.E. (The Assembly of Christian Educators). Eric is a member of Judah Temple AME Zion Church.

**9. Birthday/Anniversary Recognitions:** Join us on Sunday, September 17, 2023, following the morning worship service, for a fellowship following as we celebrate those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. All are invited to attend.

**10. NAACP Arlington Fall Candidate Forum:** The virtual forum, scheduled for **September 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** during the General Membership Meeting, is an opportunity to hear directly from candidates running for local and state

offices on how they will prioritize issues affecting Black and other people of color in Arlington if they are elected. Information on the election and early voting are available at the links provided below.<sup>8</sup>

NAACP Arlington Fall Candidate Forum Zoom Registration:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkce6przovGdB68jLz9jy2ZdDb8F5Teqmw#/registration>

General Election: <https://vote.arlingtonva.gov/Elections>

Early Voting: <https://vote.arlingtonva.gov/Early-Voting>

**11. Lay Council (News from the Pews):** We invite your participation in the following:

1) Membership Drive Kick-off...Renewals or New membership are still only \$10.00. Pay via Givelify or the envelope system.

2) WALKING TO THE MAX 2023 Take a stroll with us. Join our team and donate to the fundraiser for NAMI Northern Virginia. Festival activities, vendors, health & wellness information and mental health 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.)

**12. S.H.A.R.E. Information:** S.H.A.R.E. orders should be submitted by Saturday, September 16, 2023. Email Gloria at [ghc688@gmail.com](mailto:ghc688@gmail.com) or leave a voice message on the food pantry phone line 703. 979. 8408. Order payments are due Saturday, September 16, 2023. Distribution day is Saturday, September 23, 2023, from 11:15 am to 12:30 pm.

**13. Lomax/St. Michael's World Communion Sunday Observance:** Lomax and St. Micheal's will again observe World Communion Sunday on October 1, 2023. Members of Lomax are asked to worship at St. Michael's at 9 am. And members of St. Micheal's will worship with Lomax at 11:30 am. (**Please note the 11:30 am time change for the start of Lomax's worship service.**)

**14. Homecoming 2023:** We are pleased to announce and invite you to join us in celebrating the 157th anniversary of God's presence and favor on Lomax African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. The theme for our Homecoming weekend celebration is: "Back-to-the-Future: Generation

through Generation." The theme scriptures are Genesis 28:10-17 and Revelation 7:9-17. The colors will be purple and cream.

The celebration will begin with a homecoming fellowship praise-filled picnic celebration from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 7, on the church parking lot at 2704 South 24th Road, Arlington, Virginia. Our homecoming worship service will be held on Sunday, October 8, at 11:00 a.m. in the Lomax sanctuary. The service will also be live-streamed. The celebration will culminate in a Homecoming Fellowship Dinner in the Lomax fellowship Hall immediately following the Sunday worship service. Please share news of our church homecoming activities with former members, friends and loved ones.

Pray for God's continued presence with our congregation as we lift up the kingdom of God to and through all generations! -- The 2023 Lomax Homecoming Committee, Sis. Lorri Strachan and Rev. Monica Hargrove, Co-Chairs.

**15. Cornerstone Baptist Community Church's 57<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Worship Service - Save the Date – Tuesday, October 17, 2023:** Pastor Nelson will be delivering God's message for the anniversary service, and the Lomax congregation, choir, and ushers are invited to share in the celebration! The address is 3636 Dixon Street, Temple Hills, MD 20748. The service begins at 7:00 p.m.

**16. Health Information:** From Lomax's Health Unit, please see the attached health information about Older Adults.