

March 17, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Women's Day Weekend: Lomax's Women's Day Weekend will take place this weekend, March 16-17, 2024.

- **Saturday, March 16:** Join us for a Mindfulness Session presented by Ms. Tiffany Jones at Lomax from 11am-12:30 pm. Lunch will be served immediately following the session.

- **Sunday, March 17:** Join us in worship at 11 am. Theme: "**Women Tapping into the Power of God.**" Scripture: Ephesians 1:15-23. Color: **Red** for the **POWER** of God. Special Offering: \$100 or best offering.

- **Women's Day Choir Rehearsals:** Under the direction of Dr. Patricia Jackson, the Women's Day Choir final rehearsal will be held on **Saturday, March 16th @ 2 pm**. Women of all ages, including children and youth, are invited to sing in this inter-generational choir.

2. Lomax Lenten Preaching Series: This week we will conclude our Lenten Preaching Series around the theme "Walking with Jesus." Our service will begin at 7 pm. All members are encouraged to be present, but the members of Classes 14 and 15 are especially asked to be present to support the weekly service. **This week's service, on Wednesday, March 20, will feature Pastor Nelson preaching as we focus on Worship.**

3. 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

4. Sunday Worship: Please join us this Sunday at 11 am and invite someone to worship with us as we celebrate Women's Day. Sunday's bulletin and the Women's Day preacher's bio 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/>.

Birthday Celebration: Immediately following this Sunday's worship service, a reception will be held to celebrate January, February, and March birthdays.

5. Community Engagement Forum - A Roadmap to an Age Friendly Arlington: Arlington County invites you to participate in a Community Engagement Forum about what matters most to Arlingtonians on Monday, March 18, 2024, from 10 am – 12 pm.

6. Intercessory Prayer: Intercessory Prayer takes place each Tuesday at 6:30 am. 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
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7. Bible Study: Due to the Lenten Preaching Series, we will not have Bible Study on Wednesdays during Lent.

8. Trustee Board: A "Spring Cleaning and Church Beautification Day" will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2024 between 11:00am and 3:00pm. Remember, Colossians: 3: 23..."Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not unto men." Pitch-in to help prepare our church for Easter Worship Service, and to host the Washington District Conference in April. Contact any member of the Trustee Board for additional information. Thank you, Bro Fred Peterbark/Trustee Board Chairman

9. Senior Ministry: What does "entrepreneurship" make you think of "Innovation"? Business savvy? Perseverance? Let's talk about it and join the Senior Ministry on March 23, 2023, at 9am with our very own Entrepreneurs! See you there!!!!

Also, on Saturday, April 27th, the Lomax Senior Ministry will meet IN PERSON at the Mount Olive Baptist Church, 1601 So. 13th Road, Arlington, Va. 22204 at 10:00 o'clock am for a showing of the movie "Saving Clair" and a

panel discussion. This will be a kickoff for a falls prevention initiative for our community.

10. Community HELP Fair at St John's Baptist Church: **St. John's Baptist Church is sponsoring a HELP Fair at their church on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 12 pm -2 pm. The address is 1905 Columbia Pike, Arlington, VA. This is an informational event partnered with local government & non-profit entities in the DMV area. A flyer is attached.**

11. Easter Lily Orders: Resurrection Sunday is on the way! You may help the Floral Ministry in beautifying our church on Resurrection Sunday morning by ordering Lilies in memory of your loved one(s). Each plant will cost \$20.00. All plants need to be ordered between February 25 and March 22, 2024. The payment options are either Givelify or check. Please indicate "Easter lilies" when submitting payment. Upon completion of this form, Sis. Andrea Peterbark will contact you to go over the details. To order online use the following link: <https://forms.gle/RW5kq1KCYEBqQfes8>

12. Lomax's Membership Conference Assessments: As we approach the FY 2023/2024 conference year ending, May 31, 2024, we are encouraging members who haven't paid your annual assessment dues of \$350.00; General Claims \$265.00 and Quarterly Conference \$85.00, to please do so. 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.

13. Good Friday Save-the-Date: This year, Pastor Nelson is the featured preacher for the Arlington Coalition of Black Clergy Good Friday Good Friday worship service. **The service will be held on Friday, March 29, 2024, at Mt. Olive Baptist Church beginning at 12 noon.** All members of Lomax, who are able, are encouraged to attend this service, which will serve as Lomax's only Good Friday service. Pastor Nelson is requesting that a good representation of Lomax members sing in the community mass choir and that 2-4 Lomax members volunteer to serve as Greeters/Ushers for the day.

14. Washington District Conference Save-the-Date: This year's Washington District Conference will be held on one day only this year, on Saturday, April 13, 2024, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Lomax will host the District Conference.