

January 5, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. AME Zion Church Connectional Intercessory Prayer: The AME Zion Department of Church Growth is sponsoring a time of connectional intercessory prayer as we begin the new year. (A flyer was emailed on Thursday of this week.) The remaining schedule is as follows:

- Intercessory Prayer: Friday, January 3, 2025 – Sunday, January 5, 2025 @ 12:00 p.m.
- When We Pray?: Friday, January 3, 2025 – Saturday, January 4, 2025 @ 8:00 p.m.
- When We Pray?: Sunday, January 5, 2025 - @ 5:00 p.m.

Join via Zoom

Meeting ID: 837 9660 0559

Passcode: 2025

Dial-In Information: 301-715-8592

2. Mid-Atlantic Spiritual Emphasis Week: The Mid-Atlantic Episcopal District will observe **Spiritual Emphasis Week Tuesday, January 7, 2025 – Thursday, January 9, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. each evening. (Please note that this is a different meeting time than in the past.)** We will be using the book *The Servant's Playbook: Survival Strategies for Success in the Support Chair* by Nate Stewart. This insightful resource can be purchased on Amazon using the following link: [The Servant's Playbook](#). A flyer is attached. Zoom details will be shared in a separate email once received.

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. Of course, you are encouraged to invite someone to worship with us this Sunday. 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/>.

5. Intercessory Prayer: Intercessory Prayer takes place on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, 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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6. Food Pantry Holiday Schedule: The Lomax Church Food Pantry's normal scheduling resumes on Wednesday, January 8, 2025: (12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Appointments required.)

7. Bible Study: Bishop Thompson has asked that Bible Study not be held in the local church this coming week so that all members of the Mid-Atlantic Episcopal District can participate in Spiritual Emphasis week as outlined above.

8. Health Unit: Healthy eating for the holidays is this month's focus. A flyer is attached.

9. Arlington's Annual Tribute to Martin Luther King: Join Arlington County as our community honors the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at the 2025 MLK Tribute event. This year's production, *Dreams, Faith, and Justice in Action* showcases local talent in the form of dance, music, and storytelling while also highlighting local organizations that live out the importance of Dr. King's work right here in Arlington. A flyer is attached. [Learn more and RSVP here: https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Departments/Parks-Recreation/MLK-Tribute](https://www.arlingtonva.us/Government/Departments/Parks-Recreation/MLK-Tribute)

Event Details:

Sunday, January 19, 2025 - 5:30 p.m. -6:00 p.m.

Wakefield High School Auditorium
1325 S Dinwiddie St, Arlington, VA 22206

10. January 2025 S.H.A.R.E.: S.H.A.R.E. orders and payments must be submitted by Saturday, January 11, 2025. To order, please send an email

to lomaxfoodpantry@gmail.com or leave a voice message on the food pantry phone line 703-979-8408. Distribution day is Saturday, January 18, 2025, from 11:15 am to 12:30 pm.

11. Floral Ministry: The Floral Ministry invites you to take part in beautifying the altar by purchasing floral arrangements for your loved ones each Sunday throughout the conference year. Upon receipt of your request, Sis. Andrea Peterbark will contact you to go over the details. The cost for two floral arrangements is \$75.00. The payment options are either Givelify or check. Please indicate "Altar Flowers" when submitting payment. All orders must be submitted by Wednesday. Your name and who they are in honor/memory of will be placed in the bulletin and the church announcements. You may contact Sis. Andrea with questions. Thank you for your support. Sis. Andrea Peterbark, Floral Ministry Chair

To Submit Orders: Email: peteyva@aol.com and lomaxamezchurch@gmail.com;
Phone: 703-568-8511; Mail: Submit the attached order form to Lomax Church