

February 2, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Washington District Third Mass Meeting: This meeting will be held this Saturday, February 1, 2025, at Varick Memorial AME Zion Church at 9:00 A.M. A Continental Breakfast will be served starting at 8:00 A.M. The outreach endeavor for Varick is the Group Home in River Terrace - The request is for \$10.00 gift cards from Walmart or Target. On-street parking is available around the church and there are no residential parking restrictions. The virtual participation information is as follows:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81353398695>

Meeting ID: 813 5339 8695

Dial-in By Phone: 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 813 5339 8695

2. 2024 Contribution Statements Distribution: The 2024 Contribution Statement distribution begins Sunday, February 2nd. A Steward will be available in the rear of the church to distribute statements. The statements will be distributed on the first and second Sundays. Those of you wanting a statement mailed to you can contact a Steward or leave a message with the church secretary. Because of the number of returned statements via the mail, we would just like to confirm mailing information before mailing them out. We are happy to accommodate your mail request. Thank you. - Brother Baugh

3. Lomax's 3rd Quarterly Conference RESCHEDULED: Due to the Arlington County Site Plan Review Committee Meeting scheduled for January 27, 2025, Presiding Elder Durant has rescheduled Lomax's 3rd Quarterly Conference to Monday, February 17, 2025, at 7 pm.

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 2668

5. Sunday Worship: THIS SUNDAY YOU ARE INVITED TO WEAR AFRICAN ATTIRE AS WE BEGIN OUR BLACK HISTORY MONTH OBSERVANCES. Also, we are asking that you come prepared to make special offerings from those impacted by the fires in Los Angeles, California and to support Dorien Green who will be studying abroad in Egypt in March.

Sunday's worship service will begin at 11 am as usual. Please invite someone to worship with us this Sunday. Sunday's bulletin and 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 on Tuesdays 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

Meeting ID: 860 2858 0752

7. Bible Study: This Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 7 pm, we will continue our Bible Study series entitled, "Elevating Our Stewardship." We will continue to use the handout from last week. Zoom participation information will be sent out during the week.

8. Health Unit: This week's focus is Maternal Health Awareness. A flyer is attached.

9. Lay Council Information: ALERT! We are closing out our membership drive for this conference year. If you have not provided a dues payment between 6/1/24 and NOW, please renew or become a new Lay Council member.

****Dues structure**** Regular (new or renewal) \$10.00, Life Membership (new) \$125.00/Stole \$50.00, Sustaining Life member (if you are already a Life member) \$10.00. We'll close-out our drive on 2/28/25.

If you desire to check your status or have any questions, feel free to contact Sister Debra Byrd. Thanks for your involvement and continued support!

A flyer for the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference Lay Council Annual "Black & Gold" Gala is attached. The affair is Friday, February 28, 2025, at the DoubleTree by Hilton - Baltimore North in Pikesville, MD. Tickets are \$75.00. ONLY 200 SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. Let the Lay Council President know if you are interested, so a ticket can be reserved for you!

10. The Henry & Mamie Sink Scholarship Fund: The Scholarship Fund invites graduating High School and current College students to submit the required documentation for the Henry & Mamie Sink Scholarship Fund. The deadline for submission is February 1, 2025. Please contact Darlene Logan or any member of the Scholarship Committee for specific criteria or if you need more information.

11. The Arlington Coalition of Black Clergy Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Beloved Community Celebration: Due to inclement weather, the Arlington Coalition of Black Clergy Dr. King Beloved Community Observance has been postponed until February 16, 2025, at 4:00 pm.

12. 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

