

**August 31, 2025**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS**

**1. Pastor Nelson's Vacation:** Pastor Nelson will be on vacation August 18 - September 1, 2025. During this time, please contact Rev. Dr. Monica Hargrove for any spiritual needs and Bro. Tommy Baugh, the Preacher's Steward, for all other concerns. Pastor Nelson is soliciting your prayers for himself, Rev. Tina, and Collin, as they travel.

**2. DC Area Prayer Vigils:** Please plan to share in three scheduled Prayer Vigils lifting up Washington, D.C. planned for September 11, 2025 September 18, 2025 (which will be held at Union Wesley AME Zion Church in Washington, D.C.) and September 25, 2025 at each of the host churches identified on the attached flyer below. We need to pray for God's protection of the nation's capital during these unique times.

**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 2668

**4. Sunday Worship Service:** Please invite someone who is unchurched to our morning worship service 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/>.

### **5. Intercessory Prayer:**

*NOTE: The Intercessory Prayer calls will be suspended on Tuesday, September 2, 2025. Intercessory Prayer will resume on Tuesday, September 9, 2025.*

**6. Bible Study:** We will not have Bible Study during the remainder of the month of August. Please enjoy your "Summer Selah." Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.

## **7. LAY COUNCIL INFORMATION:**

**Service** -- *To honor Sister Jerolene (Jeri) Pincham (a Lay Council Life Member), please consider wearing black & gold attire to her "Viewing and Celebration of Life" on Saturday, August 30, 2025.*

*"Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised".*

*~ Proverbs 31:30*

*Additionally, the family has asked that Lay Council members sit in the choir loft to open up more seating in the sanctuary for visitors and guests. Refer to the email sent to LC members by Sister Byrd on 8/28/25 for more information.*

*Seeking your prayers and support for Children's Outreach and a successful school year at the "Back 2 School Prayer Rally and Ice Cream Social" on Saturday, September 6, 2025, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., in the Lomax Church upper parking lot. See attached flyer. "For with God nothing shall be impossible." ~ Luke 1:37*

**Membership** -- *Reminder that our Membership Drive Continues.... Thank you & bless you for your support!*

**Education** -- *SAVE THE DATE and participate in the "Connectional Week of Prayer & Fasting from 9/2/25 thru 9/8/25". \*See the attached Bishop Thompson Fasting Guide. THEN....*

*Plan to be enlightened by the "State of Your Church Course Curriculum & The Kingdom AGENDA Master Class Series"; sponsored by the AME Zion Church/Department of Church Growth & Development. A flyer is attached.*

**8. Health Unit:** This week's focus is Children's Eye Health. A flyer is attached.

**9. Washington District Fifth Sunday Fellowship:** Varick Memorial AME Zion Church will host the Washington District 5th Sunday Fellowship Worship Service at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 31, 2025, featuring the newly formed Washington District Conference Choir under the direction of Rev. David Deverteuil. The address is 255 Anacostia Ave Washington, DC 20019. A flyer is attached.

**10. 2025 Mid-Atlantic Episcopal District Leadership Training Institute:** This year's MAED LTI will be held October 23-25, 2025, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in North Bethesda, MD. Each person amenable to the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference is expected to register yourself. Other Lomax ministry leaders and members of Lomax are encouraged to register and attend. Please direct registration financial hardships directly to Pastor Nelson. Links to register and to reserve your hotel room are below. A flyer is attached.

LTI Registrations:

<https://B3050805485318EF.chmeetings.com/events/49BF02E8B57096E4>

Room Reservations:

<https://book.passkey.com/e/51092129>

**11. Senior Ministry:** Please join us on Saturday, September 27, 2025. More details to follow.

**12. Green Valley Community Day 2025:** The Green Valley Community of Arlington proudly invites you to be a part of our annual Green Valley Community Day! This year's theme is "In the Spirit of Unity," and we're excited to bring neighbors, friends, and partners together for a fun-filled day of celebration, connection, and community pride.

Saturday, September 20, 2025

12:00 PM – 5:00 PM

John Robinson Town Square (2406 S. Shirlington Rd.) & Dr. Charles R. Drew Community Center (3500 S. 23rd St.) — Arlington, VA

We are currently seeking:

- Entertainers
- Sponsors & Donors
- Vendors (Retail, Non-Profit, Community, Health)

- Volunteers
- Food Vendors

Interested in participating or supporting the event or just have feedback? We'd love to hear from you! Please submit this [form](#)\* which contains full details of how to get involved. Let's come together "In the Spirit of Unity" at Green Valley Day — we hope to see you there!

\*Form URL: <https://forms.gle/VUbZYr1L8H5zEmYE8>

Green Valley Civic Association: <https://greenvalleyciv.org>

**13. Green Valley Farmers Market:** Organizations that provide services to the Green Valley Community are invited to market those services at Green Valley Farmers Market on Fridays from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at John Robinson Jr. Town Square of Arlington, Virginia through November 7, 2025. Each market will feature and highlight a service provider and sponsor table. A flyer is attached. Please direct inquiries to Portia A. Clark, Market Manager, Green Valley Farmers Market CARE, Inc. [careinc1996@gmail.com](mailto:careinc1996@gmail.com)

Apply to be a vendor by using the following

link: <https://marketspread.com/market/29370/green-valley-farmers-market/apply/5240/>

RSVP by using the following link: <https://forms.gle/J32HNExDLqsunDcc8>