

September 7, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Back-to-School Prayer Rally and Ice Cream Social: Please support this children's outreach effort this Saturday, September 6, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., on the Lomax Church upper parking lot. Please share the attached flyer with others.

2. 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

3. Sunday Worship Service: Please invite someone who is unchurched to our morning worship service at 11 am. Sunday's bulletin and Prayer/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/>.

4. 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

5. Bible Study: Bible Study will resume this Wednesday, September 10, 2025. Information relating to the new topic, as well as the handout and Zoom information will be sent out later in the week.

6. 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.

7. LAY COUNCIL INFORMATION:

Service -- 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 6th, 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.

Flyer is attached.

8. Health Unit: This week's focus is Prostate Cancer and Black Men: Starting Screenings Earlier. A flyer is attached.

9. September 2025 S.H.A.R.E.: The deadline for August S.H.A.R.E. orders is Saturday, September 13, 2025. Payment is also due on this date. To order, please send an email to lomaxfoodpantry@gmail.com or leave a voice message on the food pantry phone line 703-979-8408. The distribution day for August S.H.A.R.E. packages is Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

10. Virtual Churchwide Bible Study: Please note that once a quarterly, we will be having a virtual Churchwide Bible Study. Our first virtual Churchwide Bible Study will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 7 pm. This Bible Study will be led by the following ministries: Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, Women's Ministry, and Men's Ministry. More information will be provided.

11. Senior Ministry: Looking forward to sharing with you on Saturday, September 27, 2025.

12. 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>

13. 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. This event will take place Saturday, September 20, 2025, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM, at the John Robinson Town Square (2406 S. Shirlington Rd.) & Dr. Charles R. Drew Community Center (3500 S. 23rd St.) — Arlington, VA

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>

14. 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

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>

15. 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
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