

July 12, 2026
ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Lomax 2026-2027 Organization Meeting: Lomax's Organization Meeting will take place on July 25, 2026, at 1:30 pm. This meeting will be in-person and follow the Community Give-Away sponsored by the Food Pantry Ministry.

2. Lomax and St. Michael's Churches Community Give-Away: Lomax AME Zion Church has partnered with St Michael's Church and the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in hosting A "Community Giveaway" on Saturday, July 25, 2026, from 10am to 1pm. Please consider donating clothing, shoes, household goods such as dishes, etc., NO large items such as furniture, tables, chairs, etc. All items will be given away for free to the community. We are requesting donations be dropped off on Saturday morning from 7:30am – 9:45am. All leftover items will be donated to a family shelter. Please consider 1 Peter 4: 8-11, which advises us to love one another, offer hospitality and use our gifts to serve others. Please contact Lavonne Stewart (Lomax) or Lisa Harkins (St Michael) for any clarification. Thanking you in advance for your consideration and donations to serve others in need within our community. A flyer is attached. -- Lomax Food Pantry Ministry

3. Summer School @ the Max: This summer's learning program continues Wednesday, July 15th, 2026, at 7 pm via Zoom. As a part of the July 15th, the Witness track third session will focus on "**Sharing the Story- The Mission & Method.**" **TO GRADUATE FROM SUMMER SCHOOL, EACH MEMBER WILL NEED TO COMPLETE AT LEAST TWO LEARNING TRACKS OF THEIR CHOOSING.** For more details, please see the flyer attached. Following is the Zoom participation information:
Join Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83879079999>
Meeting ID: 838 7907 9999

4. Sunday School: Each Sunday, Sunday School participation is possible in-person and via Zoom. 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

5. Sunday Worship Service: Please invite someone to worship with us this Sunday 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/>.

6. Intercessory Prayer: Intercessory Prayer takes place on Tuesdays at 6:30 am. Following 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

7. Lay Council: You are all invited to attend the next Lomax Lay Council Virtual Meeting on Thursday, July 23rd, 2026, at 7:00pm. Zoom Invite and agenda to be sent separately. Looking forward to another mission-focused year! Thank you.

- **Membership:** This summer, strive to renew your membership or to join! A copy of the Connectional Lay Council (CLC) Summer Newsletter is attached.
- **Interests of the Kingdom:** Summer is a good time to consider emergency response and preparedness. Strategies and training opportunities are offered across many cities and counties. Here are a couple.
- **Saving Lives Until Help Arrives** --- Registration is open NOW for 7/14/26 in-person session in Arlington County. Click on link. [Until Help Arrives Course – Official Website of Arlington County Virginia Government](#)
- **Emergency Preparedness for Caregivers of Older Adults & People with Disabilities** -- Virtual session on 7/15/26 at noon. Sponsored by the Fairfax County Department of Family Services. Flyer is attached.

8. The 160th Church Anniversary Planning Committee: Lomax is pleased to celebrate its 160th Church Anniversary and we're diligently working to plan a special and historical homecoming anniversary. We solicit your prayers and support and would be honored if you would share in our celebration and invite your family and friends to join us as we celebrate this milestone in the life of Lomax AME Zion Church. Please find the attached pledge card if you would like to support the church during this great endeavor. Please call or text Sis. Ruthy Brown (703) 386-6329 or any member of the Planning Committee.

- **160th Church Anniversary Interviews:** In advance of our upcoming 160th celebration, the Homecoming committee will conduct interviews of various church members to help capture Lomax's history. Kevin Mitchell will conduct/film/edit the interviews after church services on Sundays. The interviews will begin on July 19 and be held in the Sanctuary in most instances.

9. Health Unit: This week's focus is **National Minority Mental Health—Finding Peace of Mind**. A flyer is attached.

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