

July 26, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

1. Lomax 2026-2027 Organization Meeting: Lomax's Organization Meeting will take place tomorrow, 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. **Also, please consider donating toward the share program as a food donation for the give-away. All donations will be accepted on Saturday morning beginning at 7:30 am.** All leftover items will be donated to a family shelter. Thanking you in advance for your consideration and donations. A flyer is attached. -- Lomax Food Pantry Ministry

3. Summer School @ the Max: This summer's learning program continues Wednesday, July 29, 2026, at 7 pm via Zoom. This Witness track session will focus on "**Knowing Your Audience — The Mission Field.**" **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: Expressing our gratitude to those who were able to attend the Council meeting.

- **Membership:** This summer, strive to renew your membership or to join! Be in attendance at the Church Organization meeting. Support the Food Pantry Ministry COMMUNITY GIVE-AWAY. Assist the 160th Anniversary & Homecoming Celebration by volunteering on a committee, and/or making a sacrificial pledge.
- ***Interests of the Kingdom:*** *This week in Arlington....*
- **NAACP Summer BARBECUE, Fellowship & July Membership Meeting** at the Walter Reed Community Center 2909 S. 16th St. Arlington, VA. FREE & OPEN TO PUBLIC. Click on the link to register. [Summer Barbecue and Fellowship Tickets, Saturday, July 25 • 2 PM - 5 PM | Eventbrite](#)
- **Hey Arlington! VOTE-VOTE-VOTE!** Early Voting for the [August 4, 2026 Dual Primary Election](#) expands to three locations starting Sunday, July 19 at Courthouse Plaza, Langston-Brown Community Center, and Walter Reed Community Center. All Arlington voters may vote early at any site. Note, hours vary by location.
- Share with us other events in the DMV that need to be lifted up! ~ Sister Debra Byrd on Behalf of the Executive Committee

8. The 160th Church Anniversary Planning/Interviewing Committee: The 160th Church Anniversary Committee is excitedly planning for this Celebration. A pledge card is attached. In advance of our upcoming 160th Celebration, the Homecoming committee will capture oral history from members of our congregation. Beginning on Sunday, July 26th, and throughout the month of August, Kevin Mitchell will film interviews of our minutes after our morning worship service. Those being interviewed will be asked to respond to one of the following prompts:

- What is a memorable story/moment from Lomax AME Zion Church's past that stands out for you?
- What are your hopes for Lomax AME Church in the next decade?
- How has Lomax AME Zion Church contributed to the local community over the years in a way in which you participated?

9. Health Unit: This week's focus is **Water Safety at Home**. A flyer is attached.