

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

### VISITATION

When is the last time you've gone to visit with, spend time with or stayed temporarily with someone in need? There are many reasons why someone would want or even need someone to call on them and spend time with them. Many are sick and need help. Some are lonely want company. Many within our own congregation are sick and shut in and would like a visit. In 2 Timothy 4:9, the apostle Paul tells Timothy his protégé to "do your best to come to me for some have deserted me." In the 5th chapter of the book of James we find at least two types of people who may need our attention and help. They are the suffering and the sick. We are so thankful that many of our members at Aldan Union have joined us in going to visit these saints. We desire to go, to see and stay temporarily with the lonely, sick and shut in. Together we hope to bring comfort or salvation to those who are in need. Would you be willing to assist us in this endeavor? Contact Pastor Ed or Pastor Lynn.

## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

### JUDI TROUTMAN

I arrived in the US on December 19, completing my ministry time with Africa Based Support. This is a huge time of transition for me, and this transition is not retirement but a new chapter of ministry and allows me to be more available to family and make a home in the US after living most of my life in East Africa. In January, I will move to the missionary apartments at Aldan and enjoy six months of Home Assignment. This Home Assignment is a time for rest, refreshment, lots of time with family, friends, supporters, serving at Aldan as opportunities arise. This Home Assignment is also a time to think and pray through God's next ministry for me. There are options within AIM and also outside of AIM. Would you please pray for wisdom and discernment to know God's leading? In the next few months, I will also provide support, advice, and a listening ear to the incoming Personnel Coordinator for ABS, Kristi, as she learns her new role. Praise the Lord for Zoom and other technology that make this possible! Would you please pray for the right person to be the Associate Director? Charles (ABS Director) is exploring options. I am deeply grateful for the loving support and faithful prayers of the AUC family.

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, check out our Missionary Wall located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.

### JANUARY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION: Malachi 1:14b

"I am a great King, says the Lord of hosts, and my name will be feared among the nations."

### EASTER CHOIR

Want to be part of this year's Easter Choir Concert? Join us as we present *Walking with Jesus*, a collection of varied pieces centered around the good news of Christ's life, death, resurrection, and relationship with humanity. Rehearsals begin with a special kick-off session from 9:30AM to noon on Saturday, January 29, and will continue on Thursdays at 7:30PM thereafter. *Walking with Jesus* will be presented Sunday evening, April 3. Join us for a great time of prayer and fellowship in the Worship Arts ministry. All singers High School through Adult are welcomed - no audition or previous choir experience needed. For more information, contact Pastor Michael.

### ELDER/DEACON CANDIDATE TESTIMONIES

Each of the candidates for the offices of Elder and Deacon will share a personal testimony of the Lord's work in their lives during the 6:30PM service on Sunday, January 30.

### KID'S MINISTRY EVENT | JANUARY 21 | 7:00-8:30PM | GYM

Families come join us for "Snow Much Fun!" We will play snow themed games, drink hot chocolate, and fellowship with other families!

### FAMILY SUNDAY | JANUARY 30

Children 3 years & up will join their families for the entire worship service. Children will learn to worship the Lord by observing their families and being a part of the church body. Children will be able to see what their parents do in a normal service which will hopefully start a discussion about worship within families. So please come alongside us as we strive towards family worship!

### WOMEN'S MINSITRY GAME NIGHT | JANUARY 21 | 7:00-9:00PM | CHAPEL

Join us for a night of friendly competition, guaranteed laughter, and snacks to ensure you won't run out of energy! This is a great opportunity to meet new friends and connect with old friends. So, gather your tribe, put your game faces on, and come on out. Please sign up at the Women's Ministry table so we can plan accordingly. Looking forward to seeing lots of new faces.

### SNOWFLAKE CAFE | FEBRUARY 12 | 8:00AM-2:00PM | SANCTUARY

Ladies, please join us as snow will be *drifting* into our Sanctuary 8:30AM to 12:30PM for a special day planned just for you! All of our assembled *snow ladies* will choose 2 workshops from a list of topics including Bible teaching and crafts. Brochures are available at the Women's Ministry table. Please complete your form and submit with your \$5 registration fee as soon as possible. Register by February 6. *Some workshops will be limited.*

## **CHURCH CENTER CHECK IN SYSTEM**

This morning when you sign into the **Church Center App**, go to the **'Check In'** menu you will see an event for Sunday Morning. We would love to have you check in yourself and your family, each Sunday so the Elders can better minister to the congregation. This feature of the app is replacing the Sign In tablets that used to be passed each Sunday in the pews. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

## **NEW ONLINE GIVING: CHURCH CENTER INFORMATION**

You can use the Church Center App or give via the website [auc.churchcenter.com/giving](http://auc.churchcenter.com/giving). Log in with your phone number or e-mail and select the 'Give' option to make a recurring or one time donation. For more information on Church Center, visit [www.auc.org/church-center](http://www.auc.org/church-center). If you have previously been giving online through the old system, please take some time to transition to the new system. Don't forget to cancel your old giving account in order to ensure you are not charged twice. Any questions, please contact the church office.

## **ISRAEL TRIP | MAY 6-21**

Have you ever imagined what it was like for the Apostle Paul to establish churches in Macedonia or where was Jesus baptized? If a picture is worth a thousand words, experiencing a place is worth a thousand pictures. Consider joining the group heading to Greece and Israel. Brochures are at the Welcome Center in the Foyer or email Ed Lochmoeller at [edsmail61@gmail.com](mailto:edsmail61@gmail.com).

## **GRIEFSHARE MINISTRY**

The GriefShare Ministry provides grief recovery support to anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one. The program consists of 13 sessions. GriefShare meets on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month at 1:00PM on Zoom for January & February. You are welcome to begin attending our group at any point. Register online at [www.griefshare.org/groups/124033](http://www.griefshare.org/groups/124033) or contact a Group Leader at [griefshare@auc.org](mailto:griefshare@auc.org) or 610-259-8010.

## **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | FEBRUARY 9 | 7:30PM**

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 9 at 7:30PM. All treasurers of various organizations (or anyone who usually gives a report for the Annual Report Book) are to submit their reports to the church office **by January 16**. You may also email your report to [office@auc.org](mailto:office@auc.org).

## **HOMESCHOOL FAMILY MEET UP | JANUARY 25 | 11AM-1:30PM**

Look forward to a time where parents can discuss homeschooling topics and kids can play together under supervision! We will gather each month in the Gym on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays and then split into parent and kids groups.

## **MEN'S MINISTRY**

### **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30-7:30AM | CHAPEL**

Our teacher for this week is Tim Shorey. Coffee is provided.

### **MAN UP | 9:00-11:00AM | CHAPEL**

Man Up is a group of men that meet each Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc. We resume meeting this Saturday, January 8.

## **MINISTRY HELP NEEDED**

### **DRIVING MINISTRY**

Do you enjoy driving? We are looking for volunteers to drive our church van to pick up folks from Lima Estates so they can attend Sunday morning worship and Bible school. Please consider joining our driver list. Contact Irene Zahner at 610-909-3636 for more information.

## **STUDENT MINISTRY**

### **WINTER WEEKEND | JANUARY 28-30**

Winter Weekend is back! Students grades 6th-12th are invited to join us for an awesome weekend of Bible study, small groups, games, food, and fellowship. The event takes place right here at AUC. Cost for the event is \$70 until January 9 when it increases. And as always, scholarships are available. For more information or to register check out [auc.org/students](http://auc.org/students)

### **HELP NEEDED**

The Student Ministry needs some volunteers to make breakfast items for the upcoming Winter Weekend event. We need breakfast casseroles, cinnamon rolls, or milk and juice for breakfast during the weekend for our group. Food items would need to be dropped off by Friday, January 24 here at the church. Please contact Pastor Mike if you're willing to volunteer in this way or have any questions at [mike.motta@auc.org](mailto:mike.motta@auc.org) or 610-259-8010.