MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT STUDENT MINISTRY

Happy New Year from AUC Students! I wanted to share a quick update about what's going on with the student ministry. We ended 2021 well with the Santa Bowl, the Family Christmas Party, the church Christmas Breakfast, and Christmas Bible studies. Now with the new year just beginning there's lots of things coming up for our teens to be involved with and I would love your prayers and support as we plan and prepare for these special events and regular activities.

One special event of note is this year's Winter Weekend which will take place in just a few weeks during the weekend of January 28th-30th. Instead of one guest speaker we will have several different speakers sharing from God's word. Mickey and Stephanie Donahue will be leading the group in worship through song. We'll also have small group discussions, prayer times, good food, fun games, an optional overnight, and other opportunities for fellowship. It's going to be a fantastic weekend. Please pray as all the final preparations are being made. Pray for all those who will be leading in some way during the weekend. Pray for all the students who will be attending. Pray for all this to bring glory and honor to Jesus. I'm really excited to see what God does during Winter Weekend '22 and beyond as we begin this new calendar year.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

MARIA GUSMAO

We plan to have five weeks of camp during January. One week is the staff training; then we have the littles kid's week, the teens, kids from slums, and the English camp week. Please pray for us to have enough campers for each week, as some people are still afraid of covid. Bible clubs will stop until February because of camp. Some schools where we have Bible clubs are still closed because of covid. Also, because of covid, we could not do Countryside Evangelism this fall. Hopefully, we will be back to this ministry again this coming year. These people need to know Jesus. Would you please pray that things will improve and have our BCM Conference this year? Thanks for praying and caring about our kids. Each little prayer is a great blessing in their lives. My sister, Dora's son, Allan, helps his mother and will be one of our future missionaries. Dora teaches 80 teens in just one Bible club on Friday night. Please pray for a fruitful camp ministry and for many young people to accept Jesus as their Savior. Please pray that many schools will reopen in February to have a complete Bible club schedule. Please pray for the Lord to open a way for us to be able to visit you in 2022. *You may send a word of encouragement to Maria at cida.mcb@gmail.com*

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

THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022 GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. Take advantage of this opportunity to know who you will be voting for!

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. Register by February 6 either online or by completing a paper form with your \$5 registration fee as soon as possible. *Some workshops will be limited*.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS | JANUARY 30TH

Walt Huddell will be leading a new adult Bible School class starting Sunday, January 30th in classroom (LL09), located near the bottom of the stairs adjacent to the children's ministry table. It will focus on general biblical studies and biblical topics. This class is open to the entire church body. If you have any questions, please contact Walt at whuddell@comcast.net

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. 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. 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.

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.

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.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMAN- WISE | THURSDAYS | 9:30-11:30AM | ZOOM

Once known as 'Mother-wise', this ministry will be starting back up with a new Bible study on January 20th. We are going to be doing a study by Jen Wilkin entitled "Better: A Study of Hebrews." Any woman who would like to join us is most welcome! Please contact Lysa Burton at rlrsburton@verizon.net if you would to be part of this study so you can be added to zoom. You can also reach her at 484-995-5165.

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

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 28 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 or 610-259-8010.

FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF :: Christie, Loving Daughter and Sister **REMEMBERED BY ::** Al, Cheryl & Matthew Jones