MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

WORSHIP ARTS MINISTRIES

"Sing to the Lord, all the earth! Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!" During your personal times of worship this week, consider reading the rest of Psalm 96 and looking at all of the commands that are given to God's people. In this psalm, we are primarily encouraged to praise Him together because He is worthy, and to praise Him so that the whole earth will hear.

At AUC, our primary time of corporate worship is on Sunday mornings, and during this time we do our best to obey God's commands to worship Him using our voices, joining together in songs that exalt Him, encourage each other, and tell the world about Him. Is the Lord leading you to consider supporting us in this task? We have some open positions on our musical teams for vocalists and instrumentalists who are committed disciples of Christ, and others that require only a faithful servant's heart (no musical talent needed!). For example, we need adults or teens who can warmly greet children before the worship service begins and hand them our newly designed Praise Packs to help them engage with the content of our worship services.

If you're willing to help our hearts and voices to make a joyful noise to the Lord in any of these areas, please contact Pastor Michael.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

JUAN PABLO & MARIANELA GARCIA

After four years of prayer and paperwork, on June 23, we have our second son, Leonardo, with us. We had to travel to Lima to bring Leonardo home to the jungle. Leonardo is four and a half years old. He is a sweet boy with a strong will. Joaquin is enjoying being the "big brother," showing his little brother all kinds of things. After the postadoptive follow-up, we will continue trips to Huanuco to support the training programs for persons with a disability. We continue to minister in our local church of Yarinacocha with married couples and giving support to the Pastoral Team. Pray for Leonardo's adaptation as a member of our family and all the paperwork needed. Pray that the doors remain open to minister to persons with disabilities. Pray that the Lord would give us the wisdom to guide our children in His ways. You may send a word of encouragement to Juan Pablo & Marianela at juanpabloymarianelatec@gmail.com

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, pick up a copy of each week's *Missionary Moments* located at all of the Sanctuary doors and check out our Missionary Wall located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.



SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

Our memory verse for August is Psalm 86:5 "For you O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

INFORMATION FOR VISITORS

If you are visiting Aldan Union Church for the first time today or you would like to receive our weekly church email correspondence, please fill out the Welcome Card on the table by the entrances and place it in an offering box. We would like to acknowledge your visit. If you have items you would like to place on the churchwide prayer list, you can either fill out a Prayer Request card and place it in an offering box or call the church office at 610-259-8010.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES THIS MORNING

Bible School (with nursery) for children from infants through high school will be offered today from 10:45 - 11:30 AM after the morning Service. Though our regular Adult Bible School classes continue to meet by Zoom and not meet onsite, we do offer a class in the Gym for all adults who are here while the children are in Bible School.

COFFEE TIME

We will be offering coffee in the back parking lot after the morning Worship Service. Come enjoy a cup and a bit of fellowship before you leave. And don't forget that our Coffee Time doesn't work without volunteers! We need you, especially as we consider returning to a normal Sunday schedule in September and restarting our Connect Time. If you are willing to serve your church family in this way, please contact John Sykes at sykfam1@yahoo.com

PLANT GROW BLOOM BIBLE STUDY | AUGUST 15TH | 5:30PM

Ladies ages of 21-39 are invited to join us for our Kick Off Get Together, a time to get acquainted with each other, plan our schedule, and discuss what we will be studying. Even if you are just "thinking" about it, please join us. Feel free to bring a sandwich or snack; drinks will be provided. We are excited to start this new community and study the Word together! Questions or comments, contact Debbie Pruette 610-812-0418 mdpruette@gmail.com

NURSERY MINISTRY

We are in need of more willing adults and teens to help serve our families who have young children. If you're willing to care for our infants and toddlers on Sunday mornings or during special events, please contact Brittni Nelson at <u>brittnijnelson@gmail.com</u> or 717-818-9837.

ESL TRAINING CLASS: AUGUST 20-21

Anyone who wants to teach or assist in teaching an ESL group, please sign up for the training class Friday, August 20 (6:00 pm to 9:30 pm) and all day Saturday (8:45 am to 5:30 pm). The training will be given by Mission North America and those completing the class will be receiving a certificate. Not all positions need to take the training, but we would like all teachers and assistants to take the training. We can also help you decide which position might be right for you! There is a fee for the class: \$45 per person or \$75 per couple/family. If the cost is preventing you from signing up for the class, please let Molly know, as scholarships are definitely available. Contact Molly Olshefsky molshefsky@gmail.com to register for the class.

WANTED: ESL SNACK COORDINATOR

Job responsibilities: Find many people to volunteer to bring a snack to class, provide Molly Olshefsky with a list and a contact numbers, create a schedule and reminders, provide guidance on what to provide and what not to provide, and guide them in their clean-up responsibilities. This position is mostly organizational and done completely from the comfort of your home. Contact Molly Olshefsky molshefsky@gmail.com for more information.

COVID-19 UPDATE

At this time, during Sunday mornings in our Sanctuary, there are no seating restrictions and masks are optional. Please note that the service will continue to be livestreamed in the Gym, where masks are required. The Fellowship Hall will also remain as a livestream option for families. Please respect the mask requirement in the Gym and Fellowship Hall for the sake of our members who have immune deficiencies or other concerns.

SIGHT AND SOUND TRIP | OCTOBER 9TH

Women's Ministry and the Body Life Committee will be taking a trip to Sight and Sound to see **Esther**! This trip is open to *all of our church family*. Thirty tickets are available that must be confirmed by September 9th. We will be using the church vehicles for transportation. We plan to have lunch at Hershey Farms prior to the 3 pm show. Ticket cost is \$110 including lunch and transportation. If you have any questions, contact Loretta Stott (610-996-6089) or Ed Lochmoeller (610-256-9060).

XTREME XPLORERS

XX is a ministry of AUC aimed at reaching boys 1st through 6th grades. We meet on Monday nights at the same time as Explorer Girls and offer a high energy, Bible based program geared toward building, encouraging, mentoring, and equipping boys for Christ.

Men of Aldan, Xtreme Xplorers needs you to help mentor and equip the future leaders of the church family. This is a desperate need, so as God stirs your heart for Xtreme Xplorers, please contact Bruce McCollum (bdm151121@gmail.com) or the church office (office@auc.org) to see where you can be plugged in to this exciting program.

MEN'S MINISTRY

MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30 AM - 7:30 AM | CHAPEL

Our teacher for this week is Jonatan Odicio. Coffee is provided.

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

Man Up is a group of men that meet each Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc. This month we are starting a study in the book of Romans.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S MINISTRY ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE | SEPTEMBER 25 | 9AM-2PM

Our speaker will be Laura Sommons; a wife, mother, Women's Ministry Leader, well known Christian speaker, and founder of Lavishly Loved Ministry. Laura will deliver her message, **"Entrusted",** presenting 3 sessions based on Matthew 25:14-29. The conference is open to all women and all ages. We encourage you to bring a friend, neighbor, or relative to hear her message of how God has entrusted each of us to advance His kingdom. There is no cost for the conference and lunch is included. A love gift will be taken to help with the costs. Please contact Pennie Lochmoeller 610-259-1896 or Loretta Stott 610-996-6089 for more information. <u>Please register before September 19th.</u>

SAVE THE DATE:

Women's Fall Dinner–October 15th 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall Craft Coffee House–November 12th 7pm in Fellowship Hall Game Night–November 19th 7pm in the Chapel

ARE YOU PUZZLED? DO YOU LIKE PUZZLES?

AUC is starting a puzzle exchange. In the lounge there are puzzles if you would like to take or exchange a puzzle, put it together, and then return and pick another puzzle. No need to sign anything out or let anyone know. Any questions call Christine Armentario @ 610-622-2049.

STUDENT MINISTRY

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY | 7PM | PROVIDENCE PARK

Join us most Monday nights at 7pm in the park as we learn about World Religions.

MOVIE NIGHT | AUGUST 13 | 7PM

We're setting up a screen outside at the church to watch a movie! Bring a blanket or chair to sit on. We'll have popcorn and other snacks too!

FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF :: Betty and John Craemer-Dear Parents **REMEMBERED BY ::** Karen & John Craemer