

## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

### WORSHIP ARTS MINISTRIES

Participating in the Worship Arts ministries at AUC is a great way to “declare [God’s] glory among the nations” (Psalm 96:1), and we have several opportunities to do that:

Our Christmas choir presents a concert in December. They meet Thursdays at 7:30PM starting September 28, with a special rehearsal on September 23 from 9:30AM to noon (with refreshments!). If you’ve never sung in a group before, this is a great place to start!

Our choir leads us in singing on Sunday mornings. They meet Thursdays at 7:30PM, starting September 7. No audition or experience is required to join our choirs.

Our band also leads us in singing each week. If you play an instrument or sing, you can audition to join this group.

We’re always looking for Scripture readers since hearing God’s word is an important part of our worship services. This requires no musical skill!

From late October through early December, we will need help clearing the platform immediately after the morning worship service so that our drama ministry can rehearse for their upcoming production.

If you use a language, style of music, or other artistic form in your personal times of worship that speaks to your heart in a different way than our corporate worship services, God may be calling you to share your gifts and background with us in some way. If you’re interested or just want some more information in any of the above opportunities, please contact Pastor Michael!

## MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

### CONSTANTIN AND ELENA ALEXANDRESCU

Greetings from Romania. We rejoice in serving Jesus Christ among our people. We thank the Lord for having the honor of being celebrated in August. We miss you all. We thank God for giving us the strength to continue the work for His Kingdom. It is very hot here, like in all of Europe. We finally had some rain that changed the atmosphere. Good News Church is doing well under the new leadership of elders. The messianic church recently had two great evangelistic crusades with important speaking guests, including Billy Graham's grandson and a big choir represented by singers from USA, Italy, and Romania in a big arena in Kishinev. Multitudes attended, and hundreds stepped forward, giving their lives to Christ. The Bible school stopped courses during the summer vacation. Join us in prayer for a genuine change of heart for those who heard the Gospel message, and pray to God for sparing us from all bad things that have happened lately! We also pray for the war's end in Ukraine and Jerusalem's peace. *You may send a word of encouragement to Constantin and Elena at [allen777@yahoo.com](mailto:allen777@yahoo.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.



**AUGUST SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION:** John 4:24 “God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”

### KID’S MINISTRY

We have a variety of family friendly events happening this August, join us if you have kids from Kindergarten to fifth grade!

**Picnic in the Park is on August 13** at 5:30PM. Bring some blankets & chairs, as well as dinner. **On August 15, we will have Parents Morning Out** from 10AM-12PM. Kids can be dropped off to play together under supervision while parents run errands, enjoy free time, etc. **After in the Park will be August 27** following our evening service in Providence Park. This is open to families with children in both Kid’s and/or Student ministry.

### XTREME XPLOERS

Xtreme Xplorers is entering its ninth year of operation and is continuing to grow. With our projected growth the need for additional men is critical for Xtreme Xplorers to provide the boys with the best, fun, most educational and spiritually challenging experience possible. We Need You! Please contact the AUC Office or Bruce McCollum directly ([bdm151121@gmail.com](mailto:bdm151121@gmail.com)).

### STUDENT MINISTRY

We have a lot of fun Student Ministry events planned for August and would love to see you there! These events are for students in grades 6 through 12, including new 6th graders this fall.

**Mini Golf/Arcade Night will be on August 14** from 6:30-9PM at Putt Putt in Clifton Heights. Cost is \$10, please register online. **Wednesday Night Bible Study will be on August 23** with dinner and games starting at 6PM. Lastly come out for our final **Swim Night on August 21** 6:30-9:00PM at the Stotts’. Contact Christy Bickford or Elizabeth Tyson for the host home address.

### AUC KIDS & STUDENTS END OF SUMMER BASH | AUGUST 25 | 6PM

We will be having an end of summer bash in Providence Park! Come enjoy dinner, snacks, games, and fellowship!

Please take a moment to ‘Check In’ to the morning worship service and Bible School either through the Church Center App or at the Welcome Center. You can also submit donations to the church through the Church Center App. If you need help visit the Welcome Center in the Foyer.

### **JUST US GIRLS | THURSDAY, AUGUST 17 | 7PM | GYM**

All women aged high school and up are invited to this get together that is sure to get you all charged up! Please come dressed in cool, comfortable clothes and a pair of sneakers. This surprise activity is for *everyone* and is guaranteed to be a night to remember! [Please register online](#) so we can plan appropriately. See you there!

### **SMALL GROUPS**

God has created us to be a body, discipling one another, bearing each other's burdens and "spurring each other on toward love and good deeds". A small group provides an opportunity to take this to a much deeper level than can happen on a Sunday morning. Through friendship, prayer and study of the Word small groups can be essential for spiritual growth. Sign up to join a small group through church center or contact Jim Olshefsky (jolshefs@gmail.com). Try several groups and see which one fits you best.

### **STUDENT & FAMILY MINISTRY PASTOR SEARCH**

The Search Committee and CE Committee have been working diligently to fill this position. After two rounds of collecting resumes and interviews we are unfortunately back to the beginning. Though there were some technical obstacles to overcome we will be reposting the position with some refined nomenclature (eg. changing the title to simply "Student Ministries Pastor") to see who might apply. I invite you all (bring your families, your kids, everyone) to come out for a special time of prayer at 7PM this Wednesday (8/16) in the Chapel. We will pray earnestly and pointedly before our Almighty God about our needs as a church family and for this position to be filled.

### **FOOD PANTRY**

The food pantry will NOT be open in August. We need time to replenish our supply. We are in need of the following items: full-sized toothpaste, shampoo, bars of soap, laundry detergent, dish detergent, deodorants, toilet tissue and paper towels. Also, shelf-stable milk, cake mixes, frostings and peanut butter.

Thank you for your donations and for making the food pantry a success!

### **ALL CHURCH POTLUCK | SEPTEMBER 16 | 6PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Come out for the All Church Potluck at AUC! Sign up in Church center and let us know whether you will bring a main dish, side /salad, or dessert, and how many adults/kids in your group. We have some fun things planned. RSVP by September 10. Any questions please contact Sandy Crawford (sjcrawford317@protonmail.com).

### **MEN'S MINISTRY**

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

Our teacher for this week is Pastor Perry Messick. Coffee is provided.

#### **MAN UP | SATURDAYS | 9-11AM | CHAPEL**

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

#### **HARVEY CEDAR BIBLE CONFERENCE | SEPTEMBER 22-24**

Men's Ministry is planning to attend this years conference at Harvey Cedars. The topic this year is *Majesty of God*. Cost is \$235 which covers meals and lodging, cost for attending only Saturday will be \$80. Any questions please contact John Sykes (610-453-6828).

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL CONFERENCE | SEPTEMBER 30**

Our speaker will be Karen Knight, an inspirational speaker, singer, actress and author. Karen is probably best known for one of her leading roles at Sight and Sound theaters in Lancaster as Mrs. Noah. Her inspirational singing and storytelling have taken her all over the US, Italy, Germany, South America, Asia, and Israel. Please join us for her presentation of *Courageous and Contagious Christian Women*. The conference is open to all women, and cost is \$20 which includes lunch. More details to come!

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**FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF ::** Faith Ester, Daughter  
**REMEMBERED BY ::** Charles & Caroline Meister

**FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF ::** Carolyn Hanna, Wife & Mother  
**REMEMBERED BY ::** Tom & Karen Hanna

**FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF ::** Betty & John Craemer, Dear Parents  
**REMEMBERED BY ::** Karen & Janet Craemer

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