# **MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT**

#### **MUSIC: CANTATA RECRUITMENT**

If you are between the ages of 14 and 101 and can carry a tune, **the AUC Choral Ministry wants you!** You don't have to be a trained vocalist to take part in the Choir. If you've been in the ministry before, we are starting again, and if you've never been in the ministry, following a brief meeting with Pastor Joe (*the interim choir director*), you too can be a part of the Choir at AUC! Join us **every Thursday night in the Choir Room at 7:30 PM** for rehearsals as we get ourselves ready to praise the Lord together on Sunday mornings. And then...the **Christmas Musical Choir** will begin rehearsing with our traditional Saturday kick-off on **October 5th at 9:30 AM** in the Choir Room, where we will listen to recordings of the Christmas anthems, hear the narrative, and sing a bit together. After that, rehearsals will be on Thursday nights from 7:30-8:30 PM with our performance on Sunday, December 22nd. Come on out for more information and see what the Choral ministry is doing here at AUC!

## **MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK**

#### **BETH KIDD**

"Praise God for a very successful summer in our Kids of Promise program. We had about 35 elementary age kids and about 14 teenagers attending. We praise God for all the children that have come from countries all around the world and are living here in Lowell. Many of them are from families struggling with addictions, incarcerations, absent parents, foster, and refugee situations. Please pray for our school year program as we get started in mid-September. Our teen program is on Friday nights, and the elementary program is held one or two afternoons a week. Also praise God with us that two of our residents have gotten jobs this summer. A young woman from Kenya who is here will be attending Job Corps soon. All of our residents have accepted Christ. Please continue to pray for them. We also praise God that Christy Kane is coming here in September as a full-time intern for 4 months as part of her senior year in college. Please pray for her as she seeks God's will for the future. We do not take any government funding, so continue to pray that God will provide all of our needs. This is our 25th anniversary year, and we thank God for all He has done in this place. Thank you for all of the prayers and support you have given throughout these years." If you would like to encourage Beth, please send an e-mail message to promisebethk@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.

# THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2019 GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

Our memory verse for September is Romans 6:23 - "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. "

#### **NEW MEMBERS CLASSES**

If you are interested in joining AUC, membership classes will begin **today** during the Bible School hour. Applications are located in the Information Center (on the wall outside the back of the Sanctuary). Please contact Michael Nelson (m8.nelson@gmail.com or 610.506. 8310) or the church office with any questions.

**BAPTISMS** will be held in the 9 AM service on September 29th. If you would like to be baptized, please contact Pastor Joe at joe.jacobson@auc.org or call the church office at 610-259-8010.

## **PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

A Committee is forming to produce an updated pictorial directory. The directory helps all of us match names to faces and is a vital tool for us to care for one another within the Body of Christ. If you have skills in the areas of organization or design and are interested in serving the congregation in this way, please contact Michael Nelson (m8.nelson@gmail.com).

## SMALL GROUP LEADER TRAINING | SEPTEMBER 13, 27, 29

Small Group Leader Training is required for those who are now teaching or leading a small group, those interested in possibly leading or teaching a small group in the future, and for those who currently teach in Bible School. It will be offered on Fridays September 13th and 27th from 7–9 PM and Sunday September 29th from 4 – 6 PM. Please contact Pastor Brock (kevin.brock@auc.org or 610-259-8010) to let him know which date you will be attending.

#### TEEN TRAINING FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES | SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 | 12:30 PM

We will have Children's Ministries training (and a pizza luncheon!) Sunday, September 22nd at 12:30 PM in the GSP room next to the Nursery. All Middle School and High School teens are invited to come and learn about ways to serve in the Nursery and Children's Ministries. We need your help for one Sunday a month. Any questions email Carol Rosko at mic77ah@aol.com.

## **GOD'S GALS**

God's Gal's is a Bible-based support/small group for women that meets Monday evenings in the large conference room from 6:45 to 8:30 PM. We spend time studying God's Word, and praying for and encouraging one another. We have limited space for the group, so if you are interested in joining, please contact Judy Edinger at 610-505-3126 or email Judy at jaedinger1@gmail.com. She will be glad to answer any of your questions and let you know if there are current openings in the group. Beginning September we will be studying "Overcomer" by Dr. David Jeremiah.

## CAREER CROSSROADS | THURSDAY, SEPT. 12, 7:00 PM | CHAPEL

*"Interview Do's and Don'ts"*: Well you are finally there! The day of the big interview. All that effort in networking and resume submissions has paid off. So how do you prepare for the big event? What are the key items in your background you need to emphasize? How will you answer the questions posed to you? Well, Anthony Costantini, SPHR will address these issues and more. Anthony is a senior human resource partner with over 15 years experience in all aspects of HR. Come and find out how to answer the big questions as well as what questions you need to ask. We hope you are able to join us for this key session. Questions? Contact Dan Willard (wdwillard@verizon.net).

### SMALL GROUPS FOR ADULTS

If you are interested in joining a small group this Fall, check out the Small Groups brochure located in the racks outside of each Sanctuary door and in the Information Center on the wall just outside the back of the Sanctuary. If you are a member and you are interested in organizing or leading a new small group, contact Pastor Kevin at kevin.brock@ auc.org or 610-259-8010.

## **MINISTRY HELP NEEDED**

**AWANA** needs leaders and helpers on Sunday evenings. Contact Rob Burton at 610-558 -8779 or rlrsburton@verizon.net.

**Xtreme Xplorers** is in need of men who can commit to participating on Monday evenings. Contact Bruce McCollum at bdm151121@gmail.com or 610-717-2891.

**Ushers:** Could use two more ushers in both the Contemporary and Traditional services. Contact Bill Todd (610-544-2343 or famtodd4@comcast.net).

# **MEN'S MINISTRY**

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

In September our teacher will be Tony Rizzo. Coffee is provided.

# **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

## **LIFE GROUPS**

*Life Groups* are committed to help women grow in their faith, grow in meaningful relationships with one another, and grow in loving service toward the AUC family, its missionaries, and the Aldan community. We invite you to talk to us at the Women's Ministries table across from the Nursery today after the services!

## **ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

**The Women's Ministry Annual Conference** registrations are now open!!! All women are invited to join us on September 21st from 9 AM - 2:30 PM. Our speaker will be Kathy Benjamin who will speak to us on "The Joy of HIM-DEPENDENT Living". Karen's forte is story telling, and Elijah will come alive as she shares with us! Cost is \$10 and includes three sessions and lunch. Registrations and payment can be made at the Women's Ministry table. Last date to register is September 15th, but why wait: commit to coming today! For questions contact Pennie Lochmoeller or Loretta Stott.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** begins Sept.ember18 in the Chapel at 9:30. All women are welcome.

## **STUDENT MINISTRY**

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL RETREAT | OCTOBER 4TH-6TH

This year for the Middle School Fall Retreat (6th-8th grade) we will be returning to North Bay Adventure Camp for Breakaway 2019. The cost is \$145. A \$20 deposit is required to hold your student's spot. Scholarships available. Register by going to auc.org/students.

#### HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT | OCTOBER 11TH-13TH

The High School Fall Retreat is a time just for high schoolers (9th-12th grade) to pause for a few days and focus on their relationships with Jesus and one another. We'll be going to High Point Camp in Geigertown, PA. The cost fis \$145. A \$20 deposit is required to hold your student's spot. Scholarships are available. Register by going to auc.org/students.

#### THANK YOU NOTES

"Dear friends at AUC, Thank you so very much for the many nice cards and words of encouragement recently after the passing away of my mother. They made Dee and me feel a lot better during our grief!" Mike Lindsey

"On behalf of my Mom and our family, thank you for all the cards, phone calls, and prayer for us in this time of need. Thank you for our church family who attended my Mom's homegoing service. Your support for my family was encouraging and helped us through this tough time. The Lord sustains us. Thank you." The Shaiko Family