

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

NURSERY MINISTRY

Where can you hold one of God's precious little ones, hear the delighted squeal of a toddler as they discover something new, read endless picture books, and encourage Christ-like behavior in a two-year old and at the same time minister to some of the families in the church? With the infants (up to age 1) or the toddlers (one - three year olds), you can spend a delightful hour once a month or once a quarter during one of the worship services or during Bible School on Sunday and be blessed far more than you can imagine! Though we are currently only offering nursery on a limited basis, at some time we will be returning to a more normal schedule, so we are always looking for more willing adults and teens to help. We also ask that if you are a parent who has a child in the Nursery, that you consider serving at least once a quarter if you are not already doing so. Please sign up at the Nursery counter or contact Pastor Kevin at kevin.brock@auc.org or 610-259-8010 so that you can be considered for the Spring schedule, Thank you!

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

CALEB & KAYLAH OLSHEFSKY

"Hey AUC family! We continue to be extremely grateful for your partnership with our ministry with DiscipleMakers! We have had many opportunities this fall to think creatively and try new things during the ongoing pandemic. Caleb has been able to use his design and technical skills significantly to help many of our campuses reach college students with the gospel virtually. Our fall semester's highlight, as always, was our Fall Students Conference, which was held online this year. We had hundreds of students participate and were very encouraged by the event's impact, even amidst the obstacles. We have an exciting spring and summer coming up as our responsibilities and roles continue to evolve. Caleb will be taking over managing DiscipleMakers' Media Department this next year. We will be continuing to direct DiscipleMakers' Headquarters internship this summer, which we hope will be in-person. Right now, we are in a season of part-time support-raising to recover losses due to Covid-19 and to provide for our growing family. We hope to see you around the holidays and introduce our daughter Zion to all of you. (She's pretty cute!) God bless you all!" *You may send a word of encouragement to Caleb & Kaylah at colshiefsky@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 December is John 3:16-17 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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 will continue to meet by Zoom and not meet onsite, we do offer a class in the Gym for all adults who are onsite while the children are in Bible School.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Our Worship Arts ministries are collaborating to present a special program at 6:30 PM on Sunday, December 20. Our Christmas Eve service will be held at 5:00 PM on Thursday, December 24. In addition to in-person seating in the Sanctuary, both services will also be available via our livestream. Go to www.auc.org/christmasprogram (for the December 20 program) and www.auc.org/christmaseve (for the Christmas Eve service) or call the church office to reserve your seat online.

2020 GIVING REMINDERS

Members who use VANCO for their online donations to AUC: Please note that the cutoff date for year-end giving is **Sunday, December 27th** so it can be processed on time. Online giving after this date will not appear on your annual Giving Statement for 2020 that you will receive by the end of January 2021. All other 2020 year end tax deductible gifts must be received in the office by December 31st or postmarked by the 31st of December.

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES are on a table in the Gym hallway. Please be sure to pick yours up today. You can also pick them up at the church office during the week. If you have not used envelopes in the past but would like to, please contact the church office.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Do you have a heart to reach kids with the Gospel? Aldan Union Church is looking for a leader to oversee our After School Program. This program is one of the most valuable ministries of our church in reaching out to support families in our community and reach kids with the gospel who would otherwise never hear about Jesus. Joe DeAngelis has faithfully run this outreach for the past 9 years and is retiring. It is the strong desire of the church leadership that we continue this program, but we cannot continue this outreach without a leader. It is a paid position, and it is also a labor of love that runs from about 3 to 6 in the afternoon 3 or 4 days a week. This ministry has made a difference in the hearts of some kids for eternity and is especially important now. If you are in any way interested, if you sense the Lord's leading, or if you have any questions, please contact Scott Lowery at 610-623-6778 or slowery028@gmail.com.

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | FEBRUARY 10 | 7:30 PM

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 12th at 7:30 PM. 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 17th**. You may also email your report to office@auc.org.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER TIME

The first Wednesday of the month is a time of corporate prayer led by Pastor Joe. On the other Wednesdays the church will be open to any small prayer groups that would like to meet for prayer from 7- 8 PM. They do need to contact Pastor Kevin (kevin.brock@auc.org) to be assigned a room. Please note that groups will still need to follow our mask and social distancing guidelines.

2020 MISSIONARY CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Every Christmas we send out a special financial gift to each of our missionaries as another way to encourage them. If you would like to give toward this effort, there are a few options for both online and in person giving. If you are giving online there is a special line dedicated for the Missionary Christmas Gift. If you are giving in person you can mark your envelopes for Missionary Christmas Gift.

MEN'S MINISTRY

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

Our teacher for December is Jack Nelson. Coffee is provided.

MAN UP

Men, feel free to come join our weekly small group in discussing Biblical topics on Saturday mornings from 9:00 AM -11:00 AM. Coffee is supplied. If you have questions, contact John Sykes (skyfam1@yahoo.com).

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 9:45 AM-11:00 AM CHAPEL

Women are welcome to join us each Wednesday from 9:45 AM -11:00 AM. We meet in the Chapel due to COVID-19, and masks are required. No refreshments will be provided. Any questions call Nancy Armentario at 610-622-2049.

MOMS IN PRAYER

Moms in Prayer meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday nights each month on Zoom from 7- 8:30 PM. Any mom, grandmom, aunt, etc. we would love to have you join us. Please contact Lysa Burton at rlrsturton@verizon.net or 484-995-5165 and let her know you will be joining.

MOTHERWISE

Moms of all ages and stages are welcome to join us on the 1st and 3rd Thursday mornings each month on ZOOM from 9:30 - 11:30 AM. We are studying Priscilla Shirer's *Armor of God*. Please contact Lysa Burton (rlrsturton@verizon.net or 484-995-5165).

BABY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Did you have a baby or grandbaby born in 2020? If yes, please email Dianna McCollum (Dmcitaly25@gmail.com) with the baby's name and date of birth so we can give this little one some recognition on January 10th. Thank you!