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LETTER FROM COUNCIL

Nurturing Generous Living

Generosity is a matter of action, intentions, and heart. One way to describe it is the grateful outpouring of gifts to others, out of our love for God. Outpouring is a terrific description, since the priceless treasure of the gospel (and all the gifts of covenant, relationship, and life that go with it) comes from God and is meant to be poured out, through our living, upon others. Paul states this directly in 2 Corinthians 4:5-7, when he says, "We have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us." Whether for fancy purposes or everyday usage, the "unadorned pots of our daily lives" (as The Message puts it) highlight the fact that all of who we are and what we have comes from God and is to be used for God's purposes. God can use our uniqueness, even our limitations, weaknesses and eccentricities, to communicate God's powerful presence and love.

Generous living is not just about giving money, or even just about giving. It has to do with the whole of who we are and how we care for our neighbors (see Mark 12:28-31). Each of us brings our heart, mind, soul, and strength. The Old Testament word for "heart" is literally the leaning or thrust of our lives. We might call it our lifestyle or nonverbal witness. In other words, it is how we steward 100 percent of our lives, not just the "religious" sector or the percentage we give away.

*So how do we become good stewards at ACC? **By nurturing generous living in our personal lives and in our life together as part of our congregation and Christ's interconnected, connectional church.***

Shared by: Linda Jacobson

Credit: Discipleship Ministries of the United Methodist Church in the USA.

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ACC Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request and would like our members of our community to support you in prayer, contact the four key persons — if possible by SMS— and they will in-form the others from the prayer chain.

Erwin Kinsey 0754 480 184
 Margaret Kenyi 0754 090 078
 Susan Simonson 0754 266 559
 Stella Karamuna 0754 281 337

Bible Studies @ ACC

Every **Sunday Morning** – 09:15 to 10:15am

Every **Wednesday evening** from 06:00 to 07:00pm. The group uses a study guide to look at different Bible chapters each week. Please contact Monica Odede odedem@yahoo.com, phone 0756963021 for more details and information.

Ladies Bible Study – meet every second Thursday at individual homes. Please contact Linda Jacobson, 0754 021 842 for more details and specific locations.

Exalt ye the Lord
 our God, and
 worship at his
 footstool; for he
 is holy. Ps. 99:5

Alcoholics Anonymous

AA meets at ACC :

Monday 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
 Tuesday 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
 Thursday 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
 Friday 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
 Saturday 10:00am – 11:00am

NA (Narcotics

Anonymous) meets:

Tuesday 5:00 pm–6:00 pm
 Thursday 5:00 pm–6:00 pm

New to ACC? Want to be introduced to other ACC congregational members? Not sure of our programs and activities? Want to be involved in some way, but not sure how? Want to receive Glad Tidings by email? Have a general question about Arusha that an old-timer may have the answer to? Every Sunday, a member of council is available after the service to assist and to answer your questions. OR please contact ACC via our church phone +255 782 397 708 and/or acc.neema@gmail.com, and you will be responded to as quickly as possible. Our ACC website www.acc.habari.co.tz also provides information as does our ACC pamphlet available at the church door. As a congregation, we try to be welcoming to newcomers and visitors. But we also recognise that we are not always as welcoming as we might hope to be. If you are new to ACC and we have not reached out to you, please reach out to us and hopefully you will find a warm welcome and response. **Sunday School** for children is during church through the school year.

Mission Statement: Arusha Community Church seeks to bring Christian praise and witness to God through worship, service and study. The congregation provides opportunity for Christian fellowship, service and witness, community outreach, personal growth and family growth. Recognizing the close link between worship and culture, Arusha Community Church has an inter-denominational ministry to the international community in Arusha.

ACC October 2017 Sunday Worship Service Schedule

	1 October	8 October	15 October	22 October	29 October
Church Calendar	17th Sunday after Pentecost	18th Sunday after Pentecost	19th Sunday after Pentecost	20th Sunday after Pentecost	21st Sunday after Pentecost
Service Type	Communion Service	Morning Worship	Communion Service	Morning Worship	Family Service
Leader	Joe Troester	Jessica Shayo	Eliel Gideon Mollel	John Kraft	Christy Rowe Miller
Preacher	Rev. Mike Taylor	Vance Bicknell	Rev. Dan Kiula	Christine Derungs	Lindsay Hoover
Musician(s)	Erwin Kinsey	Daniel Kalule	Linda Jacobson	Angela Schramm	Neil Miller
Duty Elder	Deborah Troester	Moira Brehony	Elizabeth Hudgin	Irene Mchomvu	Johan Sundquist
Prayer Team	Erwin Kinsey	Betty Mgaya	Erwin & Angelica Kinsey	Philip Mvungi	Philip Mvungi
Sound	GOODLUCK KAAAYA	EDMUND MASSAWE	GABRIEL FRANCIS	TBA	TBA
Ushers	INNOCENT JOHN OBEID NICODEMACY	MARTIN MATHEWS ROGERS ELIAHU	PETER FEER GODLISHU SOLOMON	NNOCENT JOHN OBEID NICODEMACY	MARTIN MATHEWS ROGER ELIAHU
Flowers	Yoka Bruinsma/Willingness	Erwin Kinsey	Helena Koster	Irene Mchomvu	Christy Miller
Library / Books / DVDs	Narola Mollel	Fitsemt Dejene	Sion Miraa	Eliel Gideon	Michael Murray
Scripture Readings	Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32	Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalm 19 Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46	Exodus 32:1-14 Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 Philippians 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14	Exodus 33:12-23 Psalm 99 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22	Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46

Glad Tidings is ACC monthly newsletter used as one channel of communication to the congregation and to the general public. We invite articles from the overall congregation. **Due dates for information for the next month—mark your calendar !** *** 20th October *** Send your articles, service schedules, announcements, etc. to Fits fitsimtd@ethiopianairlines.com and copy to Neema, the Administrator: acc.neema@gmail.com