



Annunciation of Our Lady

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, February 9, 2020

Rev. Clayton Thomason presides
this Sunday



A Soup-er Thank You!

THANK YOU, Annunciation parishioners!!

Because of your generosity, we have made our soup pyramid with **242 cans of soup** this year. We have already boxed it all up, and the boxes will be delivered to the Warren Township Food Pantry in the next few days.

We hope that you enjoyed our variety of soups and other coffee hour treats. This is such an important opportunity to help others in our community as part of a nationwide effort. Again, thank you so much!



Adult Forum: *Paul Said What?*

Join John Herbert and continue to explore the troubles and triumphs of the early days of Christianity through one of its most important figures. We'll look at what Paul wrote, why he wrote it, and how we can use it (and avoid *misusing* it) as we carry on this wacky experiment called "the church." Adult Forum meets at 9:15 in the Adult Forum Room.

This Sunday: Philippians & Philemon
Feb 16: Romans

Ash Wednesday Servers

If you're available to serve (acolyte, usher, reader, etc.) at one



of the upcoming Ash Wednesday services (noon and 7:00pm on **Wednesday, Feb 26**), put your name on the sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

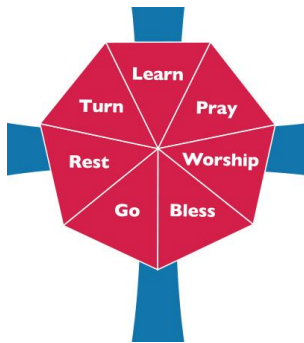
If you want to serve in a role you haven't done before, please contact Susan O'Morchoe (susanom58@yahoo.com) in order to get training.



Candles and Flowers

The new 2020 sign-up boards for candle and flower sponsors have been posted in the hallway near the Adult Forum Room. Please add your name and let us know what special occasion you'd like to mark by sponsoring a sanctuary candle (\$5) or altar flowers (\$35) on a particular Sunday.

Please make your check payable to the church and designate "altar flowers" or "sanctuary candle" in the memo. Questions! Contact Barb McNeill (momranch@aol.com). Thank you!

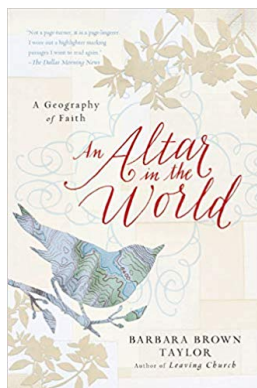


"The Way of Love" Workshops

On Feb 29, from 9:00am to 3:00pm, the Evanston Deanery will host a day of workshops and fellowship about Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's initiative "The Way of Love." The workshops will be held at Techy Towers Retreat and Conference Center, 2001 Waukegan Rd, Northbrook. Learn more about Bishop Curry's initiative at <https://episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love>.

Guest speaker Chris Sikkema, manager for special projects in the Episcopal Church Office of Communications, will lead the day, which will include plenary sessions, personal reflection time, and small group discussions.

Enrollment is \$45 which includes all materials and lunch. Please [register online](#) and let Deacon Linda know if you will be attending. Text, call, or email to 847-340-3253 or lindalutter@hotmail.com.

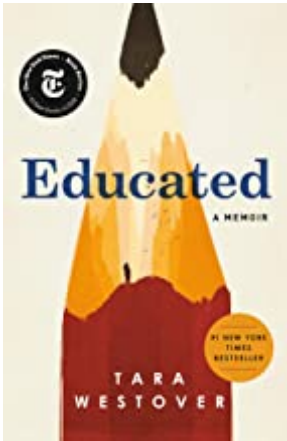


Wednesday Morning Study Group

The Wednesday morning study group is reading *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor. We meet at 10:00am on Wednesdays in the Adult Forum Room. Please join us for lively discussion and thoughtful reflection.

For the Feb 12 meeting, we'll read Chapters 10 and 11 (pages 155-192).

Questions? Contact:
Miriam Berry (mamamastercard@comcast.net)
Deb Gallinger (debgallinger1@gmail.com)



February Book Club

Tara Westover was 17 the first time she set foot in a classroom. Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, she prepared for the end of the world by stockpiling home-canned peaches and sleeping with her "head-for-the-hills bag." In the summer she stewed herbs for her mother, a midwife and healer, and in the winter she salvaged in her father's junkyard.

Lacking any formal education, Tara began to educate herself. She taught herself enough mathematics and grammar to be admitted to Brigham Young University, where she studied history, learning for the first time about important world events like the Holocaust and the civil rights movement. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge.

The February book club selection is *Educated* by Tara Westover. With the acute insight that distinguishes all great writers, Westover has crafted a universal coming-of-age story that gets to the heart of what an education is and what it offers: the perspective to see one's life through new eyes and the will to change it.

Book Club East | Monday, Feb 17, 6:00pm
Potesta's Pizza: 434 S Green Bay, Gurnee

See the Signup Wall for more information.



Fabulous Fourth Friday

**Breakfast Items Now
on Donation Sheets for Fall/Winter**

You're invited to join in prayer, service, and fellowship on the 4th Friday of every month.

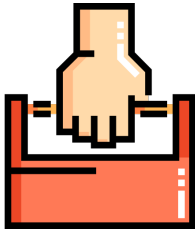
At 9:00am, we gather for Morning Prayer in the Chapel (and sometimes go out to breakfast right after).

At 11:30am, we make lunches for PADS, the homeless people in Lake County.

Can't be there on Friday? You can also help by donating the food or money for the meals. During the winter months we will also include fixings for their breakfast on Saturday morning. We have additional items to give.

The February PADS lunch will be on **Friday, Feb 28**. Please bring your food donations no later than **Sunday, Feb 23**.

Signups for both worker bees and donations are on the Signup



Helping Hands

Though no longer an official activity of the Men's Group, Rev. Linda will still help you find help within the congregation for any work you might need help with in your home. If you're in need of minor repairs or labor, text or call her at (847) 340-3253.

Save the Dates

Feb 23 Mardi Gras Sunday

Feb 26 Ash Wednesday

Mar 29 Winter Farmers Market

Apr 4 Bunco for Huntington's

Apr 5 Palm Sunday

Apr 9 Maundy Thursday

Apr 10 Good Friday

Apr 11 Easter Vigil

Apr 12 Easter

This Week's Calendar

Sun, Feb 9

Worship | 8:00am

Adult Forum | 9:15am

Worship | 10:00am

Tamil Language School | 2:00pm

Tues, Feb 11

Cub Scouts | 6:00pm

Scouts | 7:00pm

Wed, Feb 12

Wednesday Study Group | 9:00am

Sat, Feb 15

B&G Meeting | 9:00am

Cub Scout Banquet | 10:00am

Sun, Feb 16

Worship | 8:00am

Adult Forum | 9:15am

Worship | 10:00am

Tamil Language School | 1:00pm

Sunday Night Live | 5:00pm

Staying Connected

Rector Search Committee

[searchcommittee](#)

[@annunciationgurnee.org](#)

Parish News and Prayer Requests

Submissions due Mondays at noon

Send to [parishadmin](#)

[@annunciationgurnee.org](#)

Website Updates

Send to [MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com](#)

Food Tidings Meal Ministry

Surgery? New birth? If you need a little help with supper,

contact Samantha Robison:

[Robison_Samantha@yahoo.com](#)

During the week:

Pastoral emergencies: (773) 220-2562

The church office is open Wednesday and Thursday mornings.