

IN GRATITUDE

Special thanks to the Gallinger family (8am) and the Rakestraw family (10am) for hosting this week's coffee hour.

Special thanks to the Wednesday morning and Thursday night Rector Study Groups for 5 great years of learning and laughing and spending time with one another!

FLOWERS & SANCTUARY CANDLE

Today's flowers are given in memory of Kevin Reinhardt.

Today's sanctuary candle is given by Glenn and Linda Lutter in thanksgiving for their 44th wedding anniversary.

SAVE THE DATES

- Rev. Elizabeth's Farewell Saturday — October 13, 2018
- Rev. Elizabeth's Farewell Sunday — October 14, 2018
- Crop Walk — October 21, 2018
- Vocal Master Class — October 27, 2018, 9am-11am
- Spaghetti Dinner — October 27, 2018, 4pm-7pm
- Christmas Giving Tree Kick-Off — November 4, 2018
- Veteran's Sock Hop — November 10, 2018
- Advent Evensong — December 2, 2018, 6:30pm

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<p>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 Worship — 8:00am Worship — 10:00am A Safe Place — 11:30am Choir Rehearsal — 11:45am</p>	<p>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 Men's Group — 9:00am Rev. Elizabeth's Farewell Reception — 5:00pm</p>
<p>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9 Boy Scouts — 7:00pm</p>	<p>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14 Worship — 9:00am Farewell Coffee Hour following the service</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10 Rector's Study — 10:00am Choir Rehearsal — 7:30pm</p>	
<p>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11 Rector's Study — 7:00pm</p>	

FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATE

Thank you for your financial generosity. Your pledges and contributions are essential for continuing the mission and ministries of the church.

	Received	Pledged	Net \$	Net %
First Quarter	\$52,396	\$52,335	\$61	0.12%
Second Quarter	\$50,734	\$52,335	(-\$1,601)	(-3.1%)
July	\$15,992	\$17,445	(-\$1,453)	(-30.1%)
August	\$12,199	\$17,445	(-\$5,246)	(-30.1%)
YTD #s	\$131,321	\$139,560	(-\$8,239)	(-5.9)

STAYING CONNECTED

Office Hours — Week of October 7th:
 Tuesday 9am-1pm; Wednesday 9:00am-12pm;

[If the front door isn't open/unlocked, please ring bell to the right of the front doors]

Parish News Deadline: Mondays at 12:00pm.
 Contact — parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org.

Magnificat Deadline: 20th of each month.
 Contact — jnpenticoff@sbcglobal.net

Website Updates:
 Contact — MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com

To make an appointment with the rector:
 emolitors@yahoo.com or call/text — 847-727-0862

Director of Music:
 Westley Hodges — whodges@westleyhodges.com.

Treasurer:
 Deborah Bill — hailstonesailor@gmail.com

Food Tidings Meals Ministry:
 Contact — Robison_Samantha@yahoo.com

Wardens & Vestry: Mike Bill — Sr. Warden; Maggie Attiyeh — Jr. Warden; Vestry members: Miriam Berry, Andy Campbell, Michael Chatlien, Beth Hagan, Cindy Hibbard, Andrea Lindblad, Susan O'Morchoe, Dan Whipple; Clerk of the Vestry - Charles O'Morchoe (non-voting).

If you have a pastoral emergency, please call or text Rev. Elizabeth at 847-727-0862.



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*Annunciation
 of Our Lady*
 EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to Annunciation! We are pleased that you've chosen to worship here today. Everything you need to participate in the service is in this bulletin or in one of the two hymnals in the pew rack in front of you. Congregational prayers and responses are indicated by **bold, italic** type. At communion time, we invite everyone — whether you grew up in the Episcopal church or not — to receive the bread and wine at the Lord's table.

Children are invited to participate fully in the service, as well — in the prayers, in singing, in communion. The more that kids can see, the more they'll feel part of the service, and so parents are encouraged to sit wherever their children can view the action the best. We recognize that kids can't always sit still for a full service, and we're not bothered by their rustlings or outpourings of energy. If you feel like you need to step out of the service for a moment, though, know that you'll still be able to see and hear the service from the narthex (entryway) area. Age-appropriate KidsWord activity sheets, which help explain the day's scripture readings, are available on the table by the church office.

If you are visiting here for the first time, please sign our guest register before leaving and know that you are welcome to join fellow worshipers at coffee hour in the Parish Hall following the service. If you would like to receive more information about Annunciation, or to receive the weekly parish news or monthly newsletter electronically, please include your email address in the guest register and/or email the church at parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A FITTING FAREWELL TO REV. ELIZABETH

The Warden's are planning two events to send Elizabeth out in style. First, there will be an evening gathering at Annunciation on October 13th from 5pm-8pm. Then we have a combined service on October 14 at 9:00am with a big, potluck coffee hour to follow. More details coming soon! If you would like to help or have an idea to share to make these more special for Elizabeth, please reach out to Mike Bill or Maggie Attiyeh.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

The Men's Group of Annunciation and Boy Scout Troop 627 have combined forces to dust off a much loved old tradition of years past for our fundraiser this season. Please join us on Saturday, October 27 from 4:00pm-7:00pm for a night of comradery, fun, and SPAGHETTI! We have an envelope of tickets for every family. Please help us to achieve our goal by purchasing and selling the tickets. Invite your friends, family, and neighbors, and let us know if you need more!

MEDITATION: LISTENING TO GOD

"Silence isn't empty; it's full of answers." This fall and winter, you'll have an opportunity to learn about and practice meditation at Annunciation. Barbara Crowe, an experienced teacher and practitioner of meditation in the Tibetan Buddhist tradition, will be leading meditation sessions on September 26, October 24, November 14, and December 12 from 7-8:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join in. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Barbara at 847-234-5408 or crowe2136@earthlink.net.

CROP WALK

Ending Hunger One Step AT A Time, On Sunday, October 21, 2018 TEAM ANNUNCIATION will be joining thousands of walkers across the nation to help create a hunger-free world. Everyone is welcome to come and walk with us! Please stop by our table for more information, to sign up or if you feel led to make a donation. See Andy Hucker or Sue Whipple with any questions. Thank you!

OUTREACH REMINDER

We continue to collect soaps, shampoos, toothpastes, and other travel sized toiletries for those in need. See Terry Kline with any questions.

OUTREACH UPDATE

Check out our communication wall and watch for monthly Magnificat articles for more information about ongoing ministries and special events! If you have any questions or have ideas to share, please contact Sue, Deb, or Miriam. Thank you!!

VOCAL MASTERCLASS — PRESERVING THE AGING VOICE

Join our Director of Music, Westley, Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 9am-11am in the Nave for a master class on techniques to preserve your voice as you age. This is open to anyone that enjoys singing and would like to learn more about your instrument and how to take care of it in your daily life. For more information or questions, please contact Westley at whodges@westleyhodges.com

VETERAN'S SOCK HOP

Calling ALL Veterans and friends! Come and join us for our 2nd annual Veteran's Day Sock Hop! It is a wonderful opportunity to be recognized and honored as a Veteran, or to come and show your appreciation for them as we celebrate their service. On Saturday, November 10th from 12-3 we welcome you to come make some new friends, enjoy a delicious meal, play some fun games, and bust a dance move with our DJ! There is no cost for this event but feel free to bring a dish if you'd like. There will be a container available for sock donations to benefit those in need. All participants will receive a welcome gift and prizes will be awarded for the best 50's sock hop attire! If you have any questions, please contact Sue Whipple. Hope to see you there!!!

LUNCH BUNCH, ETC.

We will return to the ever-popular Chocolate Sanctuary in Saratoga Square, 5101 Washington Street, Gurnee, for lunch on Wednesday, October 24 at 1:00pm. As many of you know, this restaurant is known for its unique menu celebrating chocolate in many of its delicious dishes. All women of the parish are invited. Separate checks will be requested. If you plan to attend, please contact Jane Schaefer at 224-757-5436 or at cs.js@comcast.net before Monday, October 24.

NEW DEADLINE FOR PARISH NEWS

The new deadline for announcements in the parish newsletter is Mondays by Noon for the coming newsletter. Please send your announcements to Westley at parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org.

GIVING TREE KICK-OFF

This year we will be offering our support to a nonprofit organization called, "Caring For Kids Clothing." Each year hundreds of children go without proper clothing and supplies but since 2010 this ministry has helped provide essentials to many of them through our local schools. Please join us for both coffee hours on November 4th to welcome the founder, Christine Thompson and learn more about how to give from our hearts to their hands. Additional information is available on the outreach communication board. All unwrapped gifts and monetary donations are appreciated through December 2nd. See Andrea Lindblad or Sue Whipple with any questions. Thank you!

PARISH CHOIR NEW SCHEDULE

In an effort to have more time to rehearse, the Parish Choir has a new rehearsal schedule. If you are interested in singing with the Parish Choir for upcoming services—or maybe for Christmas—drop into one of our upcoming rehearsals in the choir room. We always rehearse 45-minutes before the service we are singing in, and we will also rehearse at these times in October:

Sunday's from 11:45am-12:30pm

October 7, 2018
October 21, 2018
October 28, 2018

Wednesday's from 7:30pm-9:00pm

October 10, 2018
October 17, 2018