



The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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The Annunciation of Our Lady Episcopal Church
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Welcome to Annunciation

Before Worship

We ask that conversations and greetings before the worship service happen in the Narthex. We try to keep the Nave as a space for quiet prayer and contemplation as we enter into worship.

What's Happening

The bulletin is your guide to everything happening in our parish. It contains everything you need to fully participate in the service. Some of the music we will sing can be found here in the bulletin or the Red or Blue hymnal in your pew.

Communion

Everyone, including children, are welcome to receive Communion.

Hospitality

After the service, please enjoy good food, coffee, and conversation in the Parish Hall.

Let's Get Connected!

We want to get to know you better and tell you more about our community. Please fill in a Newcomer Card, available at the Communications Center near the main entrance.

Children

We welcome children to participate fully, and we do not expect them to be perfectly quiet. If your child needs a break, feel free to bring them to the Narthex (lobby) or make use of our Nursery: take a left as you exit the worship space, down the hall.

Restrooms

The main restrooms are off the Parish Hall, to your right as you exit the worship space. A gender-neutral restroom is located to your left as you exit the worship space, down the hall.

Wheelchair Accommodations

There are wheelchair-friendly spaces in the pews, on the outside aisles. Accessible restroom stalls are in the main restrooms off the Parish Hall, to your right as you exit the worship space.

Hearing Assistance

Hearing devices are located on the table near the main entrance. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Online Worship

Streaming to Facebook Live

If you aren't able to join us for our in person service, the video will be available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/annunciationgurnee/live/>

You do not have to have a Facebook account to view the video.

In-person, indoor worship

- If you are not feeling well, please stay home.
- **Masks are optional inside. Please gauge your own continuum of safety.**

Please ask an usher or worship leader for assistance with anything you need.

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Entrance Hymn

Please stand, as able, to sing.

#490, Blue Book, Hymnal 1982
I want to walk as a child of light

Opening Salutation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: *His mercy endures for ever.*

The Decalogue: Traditional

You are invited to stand or kneel.

Celebrant: God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Honor thy father and thy mother.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Thou shalt do no murder.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Thou shalt not steal.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: Thou shalt not covet.

People: *Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.*

A Penitential Order

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Mark 12:29-31*

Deacon: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

All: *Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.*

We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Celebrant: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit.

People: *Amen.*

Kyrie

#S86, Blue Book, Hymnal 1982

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: *Amen.*

The First Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Reader: A reading from the first book of Samuel, in which the Lord sends Samuel to anoint David to be the new king over Israel.

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm

Psalm 23

Reader: Let us say the psalm responsively by half-verse.

The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in
green pastures; *
*he leadeth me beside the still
waters.*

He restoreth my soul; *
*he leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness for his
Name's sake.*

Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of
death,

*I will fear no evil; *
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they
comfort me.*

Thou preparest a table before
me in the presence of
mine enemies; *
*thou anointest my head with
oil; my cup runneth over.*

Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days
of my life, *
*and I will dwell in the house of
the LORD for ever.*

The Second Lesson

Ephesians 5:8-14

Reader: A reading from Paul's letters to the Ephesians. Paul tells the church that disciples are called to be a people of the light, forsaking all the works of darkness.

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation


All stand, as able, and sing all 3 verses:

Dust and Ashes


Verses



1. Dust and ash - es touch our face, mark our fail - ure and our
2. Dust and ash - es soil our hands— greed of mar - ket, pride of
3. Dust and ash - es choke our tongue in the waste - land of de -



fall - ing. Ho - ly Spir - it, come, walk with us to - mor - row,
na - tion. Ho - ly Spir - it, come, walk with us to - mor - row,
pres - sion. Ho - ly Spir - it, come, walk with us to - mor - row,



take us as dis - ci - ples, washed and wak - ened by your call - ing.
as we pray and strug - gle through the mesh - es of op - pres - sion.
through all gloom and griev - ing to the paths of res - ur - rec - tion.

Refrain



Take us by the hand and lead us, lead us through the des - ert sands,



bring us liv - ing wa - ter, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

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The Gospel

John 9:1-41

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: *Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.*

Deacon: As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to

him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we

are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: *Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.*

Children's Chapel

All children are invited to follow the small cross to take part in a liturgy of their own. They will return at the Peace. Please join in singing LEVAS II #95, verse 1.

The Sermon

The Creed

All stand, as able, and say:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the
living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is
worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Leader: Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and

godly love. This morning we pray for Fort Dauphin in the Diocese of Toliara and The Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor *Bishop Paula; Bishop Samy and Archdeacon Donne; the people of Turkey and Syria, the people of Ukraine, Marge, Mayra, Marina, Mike, Keller-Kett Family, Stacy, Pam, Mercedes, Legend, Jerry; Jane; Jeremy; A.S.; Karen; Josianne; Pam; Honorine, Sahondra, Fernandez, Vanessa, Bein; Ashley; Helene; John; and the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living, PADS and the Community Meal program*, and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Leader: For all those who serve in the Armed Forces, including *Liam Mellen, Christopher Pavy, Nick Unda, Ian Pocklington, Ethan Pocklington, Christopher Froelich, Karl Mohrmann, Trish Hull, Clay Anderson, and Quinton Hocking*. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: For all who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear especially *Loretta Siver (3/22/08)*, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy

heavenly kingdom. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

People: *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And with thy Spirit.*

After you have greeted others, please have a seat.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn

All remain seated to sing.

#645, Blue Book, Hymnal 1982

The King of Love my shepherd is

Presentation Hymn

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the altar.

Please stand, as able, and sing:

Praise God, from whom all bles-sings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low;

Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: Hear us, O heavenly Father, and with your Word and Holy Spirit bless and sanctify this bread and wine that it, also, may be the Sacrament of the precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who took bread and the cup and said, "This is my Body, this is my Blood." Amen.

Deacon: You have been entrusted with the sacraments of the church. Go and share these signs of our community with those who are unable to be a part of our gathering, and assure them that they are in our prayers. May you bring peace to these places that welcome you.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

People: *It is meet and right so to do.*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing,

all sing:

#S-124, Blue Book, Hymnal 1982

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating long notes. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and'. The second staff continues with 'earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The third staff concludes with 'Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The notation includes a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a double bar line at the end of the third staff.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People: Amen!

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

*People: Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,*

as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

#S-161, Blue Book, Hymnal 1982

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Receiving Communion

You're Invited: This is Jesus' table; he made no restrictions, and neither do we.

Host: Our communion is by bread or wafer. The priest or deacon will place the sacrament in your hand.

Wine: You are invited to receive the wine by the common cup, either by sipping (please guide the chalice with your hand) or by intinction (dipping the wafer in the wine). Additionally, if you would like to receive in the single-serving cups, a Eucharistic Minister will have a tray of cups by the right ambulatory.

Gluten: Gluten-free wafers are available. Ask the priest for one when you come up.

Healing Prayer: If you would like someone to pray for you for healing of mind, body, or spirit, you're invited to go to the side chapel at any time during Communion.

Communion Hymn

#692, Blue Book, Hymnal 1982
I heard the voice of Jesus say

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

You're invited to stand or kneel, as able.

People: *Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.*

Solemn Lenten Prayer

Deacon: Let us bow down before the Lord.

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord.

People: *Amen.*

Blessing of the Holy Water

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into new life, and by the power of your life-giving Spirit ever cleanses and sanctifies your people: bless, we pray you, this water for the service of your holy Church; and grant that it may be a sign of the cleansing and refreshment of your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: *Amen.*

Celebrant and People together say,

Cleanse me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

Welcome & Announcements

Closing Hymn

#533, Blue Book, Hymnal 1982
How wondrous and great

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

Ministers of the Service

Crucifer/Acolyte Bob Coates and Tom Crafton
1st Reader & Psalm Dale Sander
2nd Reader Damaso Hodges
Prayers Jennifer Edwards
Euch. Minister Tom Crafton and Marge Hocking
Ushers Barb Clark and Leanne Ulmer

Sunrise Minister Elizabeth Danos, Pam Myers, and Steve Kublis
Altar Guild Damaso Hodges, Damaso Hodges, Pam Myers
Healing Minister Tom Crafton
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Annunciation of Our Lady

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Annunciation is a place...

To be included

To be honest

To be challenged

To be empowered

To find hope

Thank You



Today's coffee hour hosts:
Susan O'Morchoe, Linda Lutter, and Miriam Berry

Announcements and Calendar

Inaugural Parish Council Meeting

Our first meeting of the Parish Council will be on March 30, at 6:30pm. This meeting is to check-in with various ministries and activities occurring around the parish. All ministry leaders are encouraged to attend or submit a brief summary of the work they and their groups are undertaking and planning for in the coming months.

Sign up for

Mark your calendars for a service time change: March 26 the worship service will start at 10:00 am.

Rose Sunday & Simnel Bread

The 4th Sunday in Lent is also known as Rose Sunday. On this day Rose-pink vestments are allowed to be worn by the priest in place of the purple vestments of Lent. This change in color indicates a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter the somber days of Passiontide.

This Sunday is also known as Mothering Sunday. "Mothering Sunday" was a popular name in England for the fourth Sunday in Lent. It was customary in some places to visit the mother church of one's diocese or chapel on this day. In other places it was customary to visit one's mother on "Mothering Sunday." Apprentices visiting their parents on this day often took home a "mothering cake." The bread or cake associated with Mothering Sunday is called a Simnel bread or Simnel cake.

Today at coffee hour there will be Simnel Bread. The recipe was given to me c. 1990 with the following history included:

This recipe was brought to the US – Philadelphia – in about 1720 by a young English girl who came over on a "bride ship" with other young women who came

over to become wives of settlers. She married well and her descendants are still leading citizens of Philadelphia – and St. Mark's, Locust Street.

The story behind it is, in England where young women worked in the manor houses as maids, they got one day off a year – Mothering Sunday. On this day they could go home after church and bring their mother a gift of "simnel cake" made from "a handful of flour and the same of sugar, 2 large eggs, and its equal in butter plus a handful of currants and citrus...original recipe said "enough to fill the egg shells!"

Lenten Soup Supper and Program

Jesus says, "I AM the light of the world." In John's Gospel the image of Jesus as the light of the world reminds us that the light goes ahead of us, revealing where to walk. Light is meant to illuminate our surroundings so that we can clearly see the way we are meant to go. Join us as we walk in the light of Jesus.

The program is also offered as the Formation Hour after worship on the 5 Sundays in Lent. You are invited to join either gathering.

Our dinner will begin at 6:30pm and the program at 7:00pm. There are sign-up sheets on the program wall for food and set-up and clean up.

Holy Week and Easter

Plans are forming for Holy Week and Easter:

Holy Week services – 4/3 Palm Sunday, 9:00am; 4/6 Agape Meal, 6:30pm, Maundy Thursday with foot washing, 7:30pm, The Great Watch with the Altar of Repose, overnight; 4/7 Good Friday, 12:00 pm, Stations of the Cross after the service, Good Friday, 7:00 pm; 4/8 Holy Saturday, 11:00am via Zoom, The Great Vigil of Easter, 7:45pm; 4/9 Easter Sunday! 10:00 am.

Carl and Jenn Gruber will provide the Easter Egg hunt again this year. We are invited to provide the candy for the eggs, please bring a bag and put it in the basket in the parish hall. Please bring it in by 3/26.

Stations of the Cross will be offered after the noon Good Friday service. The church will be open for prayer and veneration through the afternoon.

The Great Watch with Altar of Repose will be after the Maundy Thursday service. Everyone is invited to sign-up to take an hour or more over the night to watch with Jesus. Sign-up will begin on March 26.

You are invited to sponsor our Easter lilies. As is our custom, you can honor or memorialize people with your lily donation. The suggested donation is \$25. Offering envelopes and donation forms are available on the Communication wall.

American Family Field Parish Fundraiser

We have the opportunity to join together to help raise funds to support Annunciation and the vital role it plays in our lives and the lives of others.

- Who: 6 volunteers and a few alternates per game. Leanne Ulmer will be our group leader for each game.
- What: Selling concessions at Six Milwaukee Brewers Games.
- When: Dates: June 9, 10 and 11 plus three of the following Saturday night or Sunday am games:
Sun: April 30th, Sat. June 17th, Sat. July 8, Sun. July 9, Sat. Aug. 5, Sun. Aug. 6th, Sept. 30th and Sunday Oct. 1st. Games would be chosen based on the number of available volunteers. *Our goal would be to have no volunteer work for more than 2 games.
- Where: American Family Field, Milwaukee Wisconsin
- Why: Goal is to raise \$5000 to help ease our budget deficit. Fellowship, fun and outreach!!

Please let Leanne or Bill Hagan know if you have any questions. Emails will be going out to potential volunteers to share this information as well.

The Book Study

We will be reading and discussing Rev. Patsy McGregor's book, *MADAGASCAR: The Window of My Soul* starting on Wednesday, April 12 at 10 AM.

"In this last of four books in her missionary series, The Rev. Dr. Patricia (Patsy) McGregor, shares her deep love for the Malagasy people and culture." This is the book where we will learn about the building of the cathedral, "The Gathering Place" and the women's center.

This is the only book of the series that was not self-published and it shows. The pages are crisp and bright and the pictures are plentiful and in color. The final chapters of the book deal with Todd's and Patsy's farewell to the people and places that meant so much to them through their 30 years of living in Mada. And, it was even more bittersweet because they had to make a clean break when they left Mada. It was time for others to take the leadership roles for the Diocese. Happily, Bishop Samy, who was elected after Todd left, has done a wonderful job. We got to see him via Zoom when we had our Parish Link signing. His picture is also up on the "Our Kids" wall.

I have not spoken to Patsy yet to alert her to when we will study this book but when I do, I will schedule a time for her to join us via Zoom. She has done this for each of her other books in the series and everyone has enjoyed spending time with her as she has with us. In fact, she signed my copy of the book with "Here it is! Thank you for praying this into existence. Be blessed--" This message does not just include me but everyone of you who has enjoyed and attended our classes as we journeyed with her.

So, please join us for our last adventures with Patsy (and Todd) in Madagascar. The book is available on Amazon for \$19.19 or on Kindle for \$9.99. There seem to be only a few copies of the book available on Amazon so I will keep a watch and check with Patsy if we need more copies than Amazon has.

If you have any questions about the book study, please see Deb Gallinger or Miriam Berry.

Community Meal Program

Our next Sunday to take the lead for preparing and serving the Community Meal at Christ Church Waukegan is April 9. That's Easter Sunday. We start at 12:30 pm and end at 3:30 pm. If you can serve for part or all of this time, please contact Deacon Anne. If you know of someone who might be interested in this wonderful ministry, please let Deacon Anne know.

Parish Life

Thank you to Kim Fulton and Susan O'Morchoe for help me last week to host coffee hour. We had an amazing amount of food and most all of it was gone at the end of the coffee hour. All of it was wonderful. This week Linda Lutter, Susan O'Morchoe and I will be hosting coffee hour. Thank you in advance for doing this. I really appreciate it.

March 25 is the annunciation of Jesus to Mary so, of course, we will celebrate that with the Feast of the Annunciation on March 26. This will be a pot luck coffee hour. We will have decorations created by my decorating team and you ALL will provide the food. Beth Hagan and I will be hosting this event. The omnipresent white board is set up for signups for number of people and what you will be bringing. So you have one more week to come up with your contribution. The food categories are: entrees, salads, side dishes, rolls and butter and desserts.

If you would like to volunteer to host a coffee hour, it is really quite easy. I come in early to make the coffee so that is already done for you....unless you want to do it yourself. All the serving pieces and coffee accoutrements are ready to go so all you need to do is plate your treats then make sure they are being served. You can sign up on the sign up wall using the paper signup sheets. I will then take your names and put them into Sign Up Genius. You will receive an email reminder during the week for which you have volunteered. We are filled up until the middle of June but then the Sundays are wide open. So, please check your calendars and sign up for that second half of the year.

If you have any questions, please see Miriam Berry or Andrea Lindblad.

One Book, One Diocese: Resurrection Hope

Bishop Paula Clark, the Peace and Justice Committee, and the Antiracism Commission invite the diocese to participate in its inaugural "One Book, One Diocese" discussion of *Resurrection Hope: A Future Where Black Lives Matter* by the Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas.

Resurrection Hope is Douglas' reflection and response to her son's questions: "How do we really know that God cares when Black people are still getting killed? How long do we have to wait for the justice of God?"

Congregations and individuals are invited to read and discuss the book, and to participate in diocesan-wide online discussions on Zoom on April 13 and April 25.

April 13 Book Discussion

On Thursday, April 13, from 7 - 9 pm Central on Zoom, join the Peace and Justice Committee for a diocesan-wide discussion of the book on Zoom. Please register to attend, the link is in the Parish News.

April 25 Discussion with Kelly Brown Douglas

On Tuesday, April 25 from 7 - 9 pm Central on Zoom, the Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas will speak to the Diocese of Chicago about the book. Please register to attend, the link is in the Parish News.

Additionally, Deacon Anne and Pastor Jenni are planning other opportunities to engage with this spiritually important book. As those plans come together, we will let you know.

PADS donations

Our team provides lunches to PADS twice each month. If you would like to contribute to the ministry of PADS, we are currently in need of monetary support. Please note on the check or mark on the envelope, PADS.

Around The World With Wine

April 29, 2023 6:30-9:00 pm

Join Dr. Dave Fulton, Wine Director for The Shanty Restaurant, as we explore the unique and famous wines from around the world. He will walk you

through the art and enjoyment of evaluating wine and all that it can offer on its own and as it is paired with food. The Men's Group will be helping to prepare and serve light food/appetizer items .

As part of the evening festivities, there will also be a silent auction which will offer sample groupings of bottles of the wines being served as well as some very special and valuable wines brought from Dr Dave's private collection. For a separate donation, wines of the evening may be acquired as well.

50/50 Raffle Ticket Sale

Ticket sales will be every Sunday beginning on March 19 with the exception of Easter Sunday. The sale will also continue during the wine tasting evening. Ticket cost is \$5.00 for 1 ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.00. We will accept cash or check. If writing a check, make the check out to Annunciation and put 50/50 raffle wine tasting in the memo line.

There will be 6 bonus pulls from the 50/50 raffle for 6, \$50.00 restaurant gift cards. This will take place at the wine tasting. The final pull for the true 50/50 raffle winner will be at the conclusion of the evening.

Cost for the event is 50.00 per person. Please note that 100% of the charged fee will be given as a donation to the Church as the event is being sponsored in its entirety by the Fulton Family. As we need an accurate count for the event, you may reserve your seat for the event by writing your check payable to Annunciation of our Lady with "wine tasting" on memo line and giving it to Pastor Jenni, the Fultons or the offering plate.

Cheers!



Save the Dates

- 19 4 Lent| 9:00am - **Rite I Service**
Adult Formation - Who am I? Jesus as the
Light |10:30am
Tamil School |1:00pm
- 20 Vestry |6:30pm
- 21 12@12 Service|12:00 pm
Cub Scouts| 6:00pm
Scouts |7:00pm

- 22 Book Study |10:00am
Lenten Soup Supper and Program |6:30 pm
Karate| 7:00pm
- 23 Mah Jongg |12:00pm
- 24 Karate |6:00pm
- 26 **Feast of the Annunciation|10:00am**
Adult Formation- Who Am I? Jesus as the
Way, the Truth, and the Life|11:30am
- 28 12@12 Service| 12:00 pm
Scouts |7:00pm
- 29 Book Study |10:00am
Lenten Soup Supper and Program |6:30 pm
Karate |7:00pm
- 30 Mah Jongg|12:30pm
Parish Council |6:30pm
- 31 Karate |6:00pm

April

- 2 Palm Sunday |9:00am
- 4 12@12 Service |12:00pm
Scouts |7:00pm
- 5 Karate 7:00pm
- 6 Mah Jongg |12:00pm
Maundy Thursday Service with Agape Meal
and Footwashing |6:30pm
The Great Watch with Altar of Repose
|Overnight
- 7 Good Friday|12:00 pm
Good Friday |7:00 pm
- 8 Men's Group |9:00am
Holy Saturday |11:00 am via Zoom
The Great Vigil of Easter | 7:45pm
- 9 Easter Sunday! |10:00 am
Tamil School |1:00pm
- 11 12@12 Service |12:00pm
Scouts |7:00pm
- 12 The Book Study| 10:00am
Karate |7:00pm
- 13 Prayer Shawl |10:30am
Mah Jongg|12:00pm
- 14 Karate|6:00pm
- 15 B&G| 9:00am
- 16 Easter 2 |9:00am
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- 21 Karate|6:00pm
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- 23 3 Easter |9:00am
Parish Planning!
Tamil |1:30pm
- 25 12@12 Service |12:00pm
Scouts |7:00pm

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