

Annunciation is a place of hope, empowerment, challenge, inclusion, and honesty.



# Annunciation *of Our Lady*

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, August 2, 2020

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 13  
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### A Word from Pastor Jenni

Dear Friends,  
I invite you to read, mark, and inwardly digest the ongoing work of our Anti-Racism Steering Committee's work and the holy and hard story of our sibling in Christ, Maria Westphal. As I have said to a number of you this week, we may not find common ground in our politics, we do find our common story in the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ. So, listen and pray, where is Christ in this story? I thank Maria for her honesty and vulnerability and witness and ask you to receive these words. We did not ask Maria to write these words for pity or outrage but because this is our companion in the Good News. She doesn't stand as a person of color whose job it is to explain to or educate us; she stands as a person we love who has endured systemic racism and has a story to tell. She is not a victim but a warrior and I am proud to stand with her as she shares her truth. I believe it is time for those of us in positions of privilege to step out of the spotlight and let the light of our dear siblings in Christ shine as bright as the Son. - Pastor Jenni

We have discovered that sharing stories is a powerful way to understand how racism affects folks and can move us to action. Take some time to hear these words of our sibling in Christ, Maria Westphal's powerful story.

Click [here](#) to read all of Maria's story.

My Story

I said yes to this committee, because of my experiences with racism, discrimination, sexism, etc. that I have experienced throughout my life. I said yes because my heart and soul hurts from recent events in our country. The progress is getting swept away.

**My journey is a testament that racism has never gone away and has boundless effect. I believe that our best defense is to be informed, therefore we as a community have to educate ourselves and fight for human dignity. Here is Maria Westphal's, my story:**

I knew I was different from my peers because people, adults and children told me so. I was an outcast and bullied because I had one parent who left for America, I was poor, my skin color was too dark, and my hair was coarse. My physical traits were compared to the Indigenous people of the Philippines called the Igorot (mountaineer), meaning I was not intelligent and barbaric.

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The first school bus rides are supposed to be memorable and exciting. Mine was traumatic to say the least. I was called every ethnic slur possible. I did not understand them but I did understand the boy who used his index fingers to pull his eyes towards his ears-a gesture demonstrating Chinese eyes. Everyday was a different experience on the bus and in school. I had gum placed in my hair, my dresses were tugged constantly, I was pushed and shoved, and the last straw was a punch in the gut. I fought back that day and gave the boy a black eye. Things subsided for a while. I made a friend, who had magnificent blue eyes, long blond hair, and milk colored skin. She and I thought we were beautiful to each other and we did everything together in school. One day her dad picked her up and saw us laughing, talking, and playing together at the pick up line. He jumped out of his car, pulled her behind him, lowered his eyes to my level, drew his finger in my face and said, "Don't ever go near my daughter again. She's better than you. Go back to your country." I was in tears and so was she in the back seat, she took one look at me and instantly faced forward. We never hung out nor spoke to each other again.

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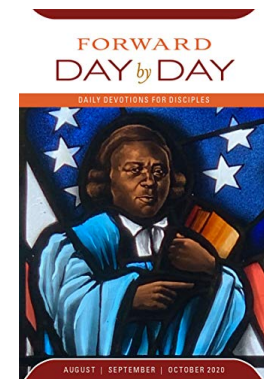
Racism is active and alive all around us, and the fight to defeat it will take time. Therefore it is important to keep this movement alive until real progress is made to better the lives for everyone within our communities.

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## Fall Devotionals have arrived!

Issues of *Forward Day by Day* for August through October 2020 are now available.

If you'd like a copy, just [email us](#) and we'll put one in the mail to you. Please specify which edition you'd like (regular or large print).





## Eventbrite Invitation for Sunday 8/2

Parking Lot Church is this Sunday!

In order to track who is attending in the parking lot, we ask you to register with Eventbrite. You only need to register for one ticket per family/car. We are asking this in case anyone falls sick who attends in the parking lot and we need to make any kind of announcement. Thank you!

Click [here](#) to register.

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### Healing Prayers Offered on Sundays

Healing prayers will be offered by telephone after the Zoom Sunday morning service. Each week, a different prayer minister will be available from **10:00 to 11:00am**. The name and phone number will be printed in the weekly bulletin.

If the phone is busy when you call, try again in 10 minutes or leave a voicemail message asking to be called back.

The prayer minister for Sunday, **August 2**, is Ruth Chatlien, 847-494-3392.



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#### Prayer requests:

Until the church re-opens, please email prayer requests to [parishadmin@annunciationurnee.org](mailto:parishadmin@annunciationurnee.org) by Thursday morning.

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### Prayers of the People



We pray:

For all who yearn for health, for the handicapped, for those in mental anguish or spiritual turmoil, for the incurably ill, and for all who remember and care for them, especially *Jeanne Sura; Rob Robison; Patsy; Greg, Joe, Helene; Jannette Kellogg; Marsha; John; Cindy Hibbard; Noah; Attiyeh family; Carol Eads; Joanne; Arthur; Cindy; Karin; Lilly and Brian; Tom and the Brasuell family; John; Gary; Sharon; Robin and Cory; Jerry; Tom; Eric; Fran; families of schoolchildren; all the homebound; and the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living, PADS, and Habitat for Humanity.*

We pray for these vital staff members at our local hospitals: Concierge Services, all those who work in Incident Command, Employee Health, Environmental Services, and Food and Nutrition. We pray for all healthcare workers and also for other essential workers such as retail workers, delivery people, and childcare workers.

For all those who serve in the Armed Forces, including *Liam* Mellen, *Maurice* Edwards, *Chad* VanHorn, *Christopher* Pavy, *Nick* Unda, *Ian* Pocklington, *Ethan* Pocklington, *Christopher* Froelich, *Karl* Mohrmann, *Trish* Hull, and *Clay* Anderson.

For those who celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and other good news this week, especially *Grant* Elling (8/3), *Jeanne* Phillips (8/6), and *Glenn* Lutter (8/7). In addition, we offer thanksgivings today for *Pastor Jenni*.

We praise you, God of our hope, for all the faithful before us who entered into your labors and worshiped you in truth, especially *Dick* Siver (8/8/2013). That we may live faithful to eternal life, we pray.



Handouts:

[The Journey to God's Mountain](#)

## Wednesday Book Group/Bible Study

We journeyed up to the Mountain of God this week in our work through the Gospel of Mark. In Chapters 6-10, the author invites the reader to vigorously contemplate the question, "Who do you say that I am?" This next week we will spend our class time in Mark's most important work, the Passion of Our Lord.

Over the next 5 weeks, we will be diving deep into the story of Jesus and exploring the Gospel as a journey. The good news of Mark's writing aligns with the journey of post-Exodus Israel and helps us understand that the early Church sought to tie itself and the story of Jesus to the movements of those ancestors. Part of Mark's goal in preserving the story of Jesus is not only to hold a community together but to pressing them on toward the Kingdom. One of the aspects that I find so compelling about reading and studying Mark, is the author's intent to present the Kingdom of God as both at hand and in the process of being built. It is a good Gospel for us as Episcopalians, who live in the *via media*, the middle way, to wrestle with ambiguous answers to very big questions.

I hope you will join us on Wednesday mornings for our journey through and deeper into the Gospel of Mark. For 8/5, I have asked the class to read chapters 11-16.

Aug 5, 2020 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84905966940?pwd=aTN6YlNCTFVtQjYwU0FZUGZ2RFV1dz09>

Meeting ID: 849 0596 6940

Passcode: 311128

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## Annunciation Pledges

Even in the midst of this event, the church still needs our good stewardship, so we ask that you keep up with your pledges. **We understand that people's financial lives might be changing; please speak to Pastor Jenni if you need to update your pledge or if there is a need for assistance.** These are the ways you can donate now:

- Mail your check
- Have your bank send us a check



**Thank you** to everyone who has been faithful in

sending their pledges.

## Links to Zoom Worship for this Week

Note new time for Evening Prayer:  
now 6:00pm on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

### Friday Morning Prayer

Jul 31, 2020 08:30 AM

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82268011354?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82268011354?pwd=T0V5RUJEvNnYvRU4xUXpCSFcrUEd1QT09)

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### Friday Evening Prayer

Jul 31, 2020 06:00 PM

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The Ninth Sunday after  
Pentecost: Proper 13  
August 2, 2020 | 9:00 am

The Association of the Holy Spiritual Church  
1125 Lakeside Avenue, Suite 1000  
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### Sunday Worship

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 13

Aug 2, 2020 09:00 AM

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### Monday Morning Prayer

Aug 3, 2020 08:30 AM

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86243418461?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86243418461?pwd=Qm1IOExaemNVek1Oa0JVVUI2QVI2dz09)

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### Monday Evening Prayer

Aug 3, 2020 06:00 PM

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Meeting ID: 825 0129 5754

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### Tuesday Morning Prayer

Time: Aug 4, 2020 08:30 AM

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89737814618?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89737814618?pwd=Zk1CTXIBTHRdEmpyNU5qWHc0QWN2Zz09)

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### Tuesday Compline

Aug 4, 2020 07:30 PM

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### Wednesday Morning Prayer

Aug 5, 2020 08:30 AM

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### Wednesday Evening Prayer

Aug 5, 2020 06:00 PM

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### Thursday Morning Prayer

Aug 6, 2020 08:30 AM

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### Friday Morning Prayer

Aug 7, 2020 10:00 AM

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Passcode: 441914

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### Friday Evening Prayer

Aug 7, 2020 06:00 PM

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81574310660?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81574310660?pwd=UkVGUnBGcGV4SDV2aWV5VFZCN0xCdz09)

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## Staying Connected



#### Parish News and Prayer Requests

Submissions due Thursday morning.

Send to [parishadmin](mailto:parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org)

[@annunciationgurnee.org](mailto:parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org)

#### Website Updates

Send to [MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:Robison_Samantha@yahoo.com)

#### During the week:

Pastoral emergencies: (530) 386-2834

The church office is open during the week by appointment only.