# ANNUNCIATION PARISH NEWS

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## This Week's Calendar

### Sunday, March 18 - Fifth Sunday in Lent

Worship - 8am Adult Forum - 9am Sunrise Ministry - 9:15am (offsite) Worship - 10am Sunday Night Live - 5pm

#### Monday, March 19

Book Club East - 6pm (offsite)

#### Tuesday, March 20

Boy Scouts - 7pm

#### Wednesday, March 21

Lenten Potluck Supper & Program - 6:30pm

#### Friday, March 23

Morning Prayer - 7am Stations of the Cross - 7pm Vestry retreat (offsite)

#### Saturday, March 24

Feed My Starving Children - 9am (offsite) Vestry retreat (offsite)

#### Sunday, March 25 - PALM SUNDAY

Worship - 8am Sunrise Ministry - 9:15am (offsite) Worship - 10am Tamil group - 11am

# Wednesday Night Lenten Program



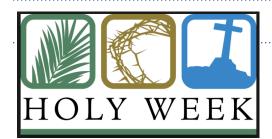
Join us this Wednesday evening for the last of our Lenten suppers/programs. We'll be wrapping up the season taking a closer look at some of the key scriptures of Lent. The supper begins at 6:30pm, with the program following, from 7-8pm. Sign-up sheets for people to contribute soups, salads, etc., and to help with setup/cleanup, can be found on the communication wall in the parish hall.

# Winter Farmer's Market - April 7



Annunciation, in partnership with Faith in Place, is hosting a community

Winter Farmer's Market on Saturday, April 7, from 9am-1pm. Faith in Place is an Illinois non-profit organization which partners with churches in support of various "green" initiatives, i.e. more locally sourced produce and other food goods. See the communication wall in the Parish Hall for sign-up sheets; there are many opportunities to volunteer, to help with setup and teardown, serve as counters, assist with hospitality during the market. Pick up some flyers to spread the word in your neighborhood. If you have questions, please contact Jan Harastany or Rev. Elizabeth.



# Be a part of Holy Week 2018!

#### Agape Feast:

Carol Anderson is coordinating this year's Agape Feast, which begins our Maundy Thursday observance, at 7pm. If you are available to help with setup or cleanup, or can contribute one of the items that makes up this meal, please contact Carol.

#### **Silent Actors Wanted:**

Silent actors wanted! Come be a part of this powerful presentation of The Passion. All parishioners ages 16+ are welcome! No acting experience necessary - just a desire to bring to life Christ's story of sacrifice.

#### REHEARSALS

Sunday, 3/25 - 5:00-7:00 pm Friday, 3/30 - 5:30-6:30 pm

#### **PRESENTATION**

Friday, 3/30 - 7:00 pm

Please contact Samantha Robison by text, in person, or at robison\_samantha@yahoo.com to participate.

**Extended Prelude:** On Friday, March 30, 2018, at both the 12:00pm and 7:00pm services, Westley Hodges will be offering an extended prelude on flute and clarinet. The prelude will start about 15 minutes before the services and will be unaccompanied. Sit, reflect and pray as Westley plays contemplative melodies on these beautiful instruments.

**Easter Flowers:** Easter flower forms are on the Communication Center in the narthex. Make a donation in remembrance or thanksgiving, and help to decorate our altar with spring flowers, lilies, and greenery for Easter. Please place completed forms and donations in the Easter Flower envelopes, and turn in to the office or place in the offering plates.

**Holy Week Sign-up Sheets** are available in the parish hall. We need readers, ushers, acolytes, Eucharistic ministers for the Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Day services.

#### Thank You!



Today's Coffee Hour Hosts: 8am - McNeill; 10am - Riemer

Please see the Coffee Hour signup sheet on the communication wall in the Parish Hall to sign up to host a future coffee hour.



# Bunco - Saturday, April 7th, 7pm

Support Huntington's Disease research, and have a great evening at the same time! Bring your favorite beverage and a snack food to share. Don't worry if you don't know how to play Bunco - instruction will be provided. Questions? See Andy Hucker.



# Save the Date - Feast of Annunciation Bishop Lee to visit Sunday, April 8

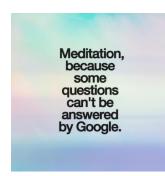
Bishop Lee will be making his regular, episcopal visit to Annunciation on Sunday, April 8th, with ONE service at 9am; baptisms, confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation will be part of the liturgy that day. We will be celebrating the Feast of the Annunciation with our usual blowout potluck luncheon. Sign-up sheets to indicate what dish you'll be bringing are on the communication wall in the parish hall. Questions? See Kim or Dave Fulton.



## Beer & Hymns: April 27, 7pm

Join us for an evening of hymn singing and fellowship. Bring your beer - or whatever beverage you want to drink - and a finger food to share. Contact Westley Hodges with questions.

# **Meditation: Listening to God**



Beginning in April, on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, Barbara Crowe will be offering instruction on meditation, followed by meditation practice time. The first session will take place on April 11, in the chapel, from 7-8:30pm. These instruction and practice sessions are open to everyone, whether you're new to meditation, or an experienced practitioner. Barbara draws on the meditation training she learned as part of the Tibetan Buddhist tradition; she also used meditation practices as part of her previous work. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Barbara at 847-234-5408 or crowe2136@earthlink.net



## **Music lessons by Westley**

Starting in April, Westley will be offering lessons in Piano, Voice, and Organ at Annunciation on Wednesday afternoons. If you or anyone you know is interested in taking lessons from Westley, please contact him at <a href="whodges@westleyhodges.com">whodges@westleyhodges.com</a>. Thanks, Westley

## **Staying Connected:**

Office Hours - Week of March 18: Tuesday, 9am-1pm; Wednesday, 9am-12noon, 6:30-8:30pm;

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Parish News Deadline: Wednesdays at 12noon. Contact - emolitors@yahoo.com

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

**<u>Director of Music:</u>** Westley Hodges - whodges@westleyhodges.com.

Treasurer: Deborah Bill - hailstonesailor@gmail.com

Food Tidings Meals Ministry: Contact - Robison\_Samantha@yahoo.com

<u>Wardens & Vestry:</u> 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.

# Lent & Easter at Annunciation - Schedule of Worship, Events,

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#### **SERVICES OF THE TRIDUUM:**

**Thursday, March 29** - Maundy Thursday, service with Agape feast, 7pm Thursday, March 29 thru Friday, March 30 - altar of repose, 9pm thru 12 noon

Friday, March 30 - services at 12 noon and 7pm

Saturday, March 31 - The Great Vigil of Easter (light incense), 8pm with reception following

Sunday, April I - Easter Sunday, service at 10am

# ASP Appalachia

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# ASP Team to travel to Jonesville, Virginia

Please keep the Appalachia Service Project team in your prayers as they prepare to travel to Jonesville, Virginia to help make someone's home "warmer, safer, drier." The team members are: Carol Anderson, Mike Bill, Megan Dailey, Cindy Hibbard, Lisa Kleine, Elizabeth Molitors, Brian Penticoff, Cindy Pullinger, and Dan Whipple.