

Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, May 31, 2020

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A Word from Pastor Jenni



Dear Friends:

I, like, many clergy am an avid collector of Bibles. I have many of them ranging from the Michelangelo Family Bible from my gramma, Jackie, to the first NSRV my dad bought me for my 16th birthday. I have the study Bible we used in seminary with soooo much coloring and notes on the pages. I have my great-granny's pocket bible.

Yesterday morning, I picked up a new version of Holy Scripture: *The CEB Storytellers Bible*. I am so excited! It is a beautiful book, of course, full of God's beautiful words and Word. The front page says, "A translation to touch the heart and mind." It includes *midrashim* from rabbis in the Hebrew Scriptures and story sidebars in the Christian Scriptures. The thesis of this version is to pay close attention to the story of Scripture and how narrative can be equally as important as scholarship in opening God's words to the world. It is a storyteller's Bible.

I have taught a number of Bible study classes over the last few years. When working with people who are constantly in trauma or are struggling with recovery, one of the best ways to get people to think beyond themselves is to be immersed in Scripture. Taking a wider-world view of God's engagement throughout the ages can often make it much harder to say, "Oh, woe is me," or "Oh, where is the hope in life?" I find Scripture takes me out of my own head and centers me firmly in God's world and in the building of God's Kingdom. And reading Scripture helps me find hope. Many times, in my life, I have struggled and Scripture, God's words to the creation, fosters my hope in the promises of God's love.

One of the core values here at Annunciation is to be a place to find hope. "We strive to life a different kind of life together: a life of wonder for the beauty of God's creation, a life of joy born through prayer and music, a life of confidence

that exceeds the troubles of our times." Through all the stories in Scripture, we can see wonder at what God is doing, we hear holy words of prayer and song, we can see that we aren't trapped in one existence but are bound for the wider existence in God's economy. When we jump into these stories, it becomes so evident they don't exist just for Sundays but have been given to us to be transformative and that God's hope for the creation is bursting at the seams. I pray that in days such as these, we are turning to God's word and to God's Word, Jesus. Let us find hope in those places.



Sanctuary Candles

In this new season of the Church, we give thanks for those who make a gift of the Sanctuary Candle that signals the presence of Christ through the sacraments.

You are invited to give a Sanctuary Candle in honor or thanksgiving or memory of a person or ministry. Simply email Karen at

<u>parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org</u> with your dedication on or before Thursday morning. The suggested donation for a candle is \$5.

Healing Prayers Offered on Sundays

Healing prayers will now be offered by telephone after the Zoom Sunday morning service. Each week, a different prayer minister will be available from 10:00am 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, May 31 is John Anderson, 847-244-3796.



The Episcopal Church - A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit among the People of God



From Pentecost Sunday through the first Sunday in September, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his Lutheran counterpart Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton welcome congregations and individuals to regularly pray "A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit among the People of God."

This prayer – crafted by a team of Lutheran and Episcopal prayer leaders in light of the

COVID pandemic – is meant to unite us in common prayer and revive us for common mission, wherever and however we may be gathered. Read more <u>here</u> or click on the image above.

Returning to Our Churches: A Framework and a Plan Bishop Jeff Lee shares phased guidelines for re-opening churches

After weeks of consultation with diocesan leaders and other dioceses across the Episcopal Church, Bishop Jeff Lee today shared the Diocese of Chicago's plan for re-opening our churches with clergy leaders via Zoom. The guidelines are based in large measure on meeting public health criteria spelled out in Restore Illinois, the state's five-phase plan to guide its recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I am profoundly grateful for the creativity, the faithfulness, and the flexibility I see in churches all across this diocese. In online worship, in adaptive changes in ministries to those in need, in extraordinary attention to pastoral care and the

tending of our communal life -- I see and celebrate a church that is alive and well. I encourage us to continue these practices," Lee said.

The plan emphasizes that re-opening churches at this time is not mandatory and that clergy and lay leaders must work together to determine what is appropriate for their context. Included in the materials is the link to an online verification checklist to be completed and submitted to the bishop's office before re-entering the church building. "The health and safety of the members of this diocese, our leaders and our employees remain our primary concern. Take your time as a community in working through these guidelines and proceed at a pace that is comfortable for you," Lee said.

View the guidelines for re-entry online in **English** and **Spanish**.



Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's "The Way of Love" Podcast

Episode Four: Rest and Restoration with Jeff Chu

In this week's episode, Bishop Curry talks to Jeff Chu about his career as a journalist, farmer, writer, editor, teacher, and Christian thinker - and how he has come to see God moving throughout those roles. Learn more.

Prayer requests:

Until the church re-opens, please email prayer requests to parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org
by Thursday morning.

Prayers of the People



We pray:

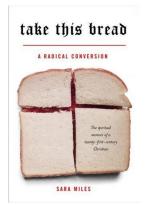
For all who yearn for health, for the handicapped, for those in mental anguish or spiritual turmoil, for the incurably ill, and for all who remember and care for them, especially *Mary Ellen, Patsy, Greg, Joe, Helene, Jannette* Kellogg, *Marsha & Randy, John, Susan, Charlotte, Glenn & Donna, the Nelson family, Fr. Brian, Bishop Lee, the Vestry, Dawn and family, Jeannette, Noah, Ricki, Elliot, Barbara* Crowe, *Bill* Hagan, *Kathy, 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 also pray 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, *and Trish* Hull.

For those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week, especially *Molly* Shumate (5/31), *Bill* Attiyeh (6/4), *John* Anderson (6/6), *Clara* Celebuski (6/6), *Deb & Stan* Gallinger (6/2).

We praise you, God of our hope, for all the faithful before us who entered into your labors and worshiped you in truth, especially *Reginald* Collymore (6/1/2018), *Jeff, John, Jeri,* and *Erich.* That we may live faithful to eternal life, we pray.





Wednesday Morning Study Group

The Wednesday Study Group is continuing to meet via Zoom through the summer. We meet at 10:00am and the access to Zoom is provided at the bottom of our announcement each week.

On May 27, we were happy to have Rev. Jenni join us. She had met Sara Miles, the author of our book, *Take This Bread*, several times and we wanted her to tell us about her. Prior to our meeting, Jenni had given us a link to the website of the church, St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church in San Francisco, where Sara attended and still does.

Some of us did check it out and had questions for Jenni on it besides questions about Sara. To be concise, St. Gregory's practices "radical hospitality that is almost uncomfortable to some," according to Rev. Jenni. Jenni characterizes Sara Miles as a big and bold presence. She says what she thinks and her writing exemplifies that. "She is one of the prophetic voices," according to Jenni.

For June 3, we will be reading Chapters 9 through 11, "Crossing II" starting on page 91 through "Good Works" beginning on page 109.

For these past few weeks, we have had one member who has not gotten the book yet (delivery issues) and another member who read it a long time ago, so if you would like to join us, please do. You can easily be a part of the conversations since a lot of it is not solely focused on the book. For information, please contact Deb Gallinger or Miriam Berry.

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Whatcha been doin'?



If you are like me during this lockdown, you have been cleaning and organizing drawers, closets, rooms--whatever catches your eye. As I was cleaning out my bathroom closets, I ran across lots of toothbrushes, toothpaste, and other toiletries that I am packing up to bring to the toiletries basket for PADS. Maybe you have found some of that same stuff. Pack it up and bring it as soon as we are able to get back into the church.

Likewise, if you happen to clean out your dish towels, hot pads, etc. and have some extras, I would love to have them so some of the old stuff with holes can be retired from service. Guess what, I have some of them as well!!

If you have some "stuff" and think it might be good to bring to the church, like those things I mentioned above, but need to be sure, please contact Miriam Berry.

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.





Donations for PADS

Though we can no longer take donations of food, Annunciation will accept **monetary donations** for PADS. It's best to mail checks to the church; use either the memo line on your check or a note on the envelope to designate a PADS donation. Thank you!



Note to Zoom users:

Beginning May 30, 2020, Zoom will be enabling <u>GCM encryption</u> across the entire Zoom platform, providing increased protection for meeting data.

What this means for you:

After May 30, 2020, all Zoom clients on older versions will receive a forced update when trying to join meetings. To update your Zoom app in advance, please visit zoom.com/download.

Links to Zoom Worship for this Week

Friday Morning Prayer

May 29, 2020 08:30 AM

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88166957

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Friday Evening Prayer

May 29, 2020 05:00 PM

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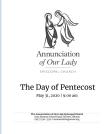
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Sunday Worship – Day of Pentecost

May 31, 2020 09:00 AM

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Meeting ID: 885 1121 8776

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Healing prayers will be offered by telephone after the Zoom Sunday morning service. See announcement above (under the item about Sanctuary Candles) for the details.

Monday Morning Prayer

Jun 1, 2020 08:30 AM

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Monday Evening Prayer

Jun 1, 2020 05:00 PM

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Tuesday Morning Prayer

Jun 2, 2020 08:30 AM

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Tuesday Compline

Jun 2, 2020 07:30 PM

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Wednesday Morning Prayer

Jun 3, 2020 08:30 AM

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Wednesday Evening Prayer

Jun 3, 2020 05:00 PM

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Thursday Morning Prayer

Jun 4, 2020 08:30 AM

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Thursday Compline

Jun 4, 2020 07:30 PM

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Friday Morning Prayer

Jun 5, 2020 08:30 AM

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Friday Evening Prayer

Jun 5, 2020 05:00

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Staying Connected

Parish News and Prayer Requests
Submissions due Thursday morning.
Send to <u>parishadmin</u>
@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: (530) 386-2834 The church office is open during the week by appointment only.