

The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ The King

November 20, 2022 9:00am

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

Communion

All persons, 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.

Holy Eucharist:

• This morning we will be celebrating Holy Eucharist. At the invitation to Communion, please come forward to the altar, either one "pod" together or one individual at a time, and receive the wafer. Take a cup and after you have consumed the wine, put it in the glass container by the lectern.

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

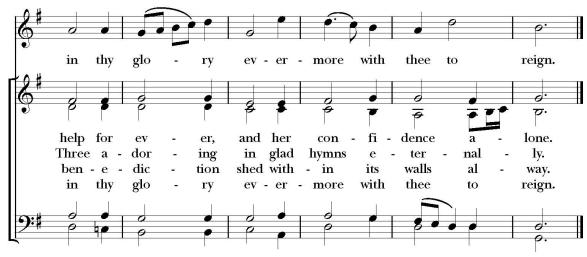
The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Please stand as you are able.







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Opening Proclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant and People: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria #S-280 Powell

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Please be seated.

The First Lesson Jeremiah 23:1-6

Reader: A reading from Jeremiah. The Lord denounces the rules who have so poorly

shepherd the people of Israel. God will gather the flock together and five them

new shepherds, especially a just ruler in the line of David.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings,

says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

The Psalm Psalm 46

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

1 God is our refuge and strength * very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *

and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

3 Though its waters rage and foam, * and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

4 The Lord of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *

the holy habitation of the Most High.

6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; *

God shall help her at the break of day.

7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; *

God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.

8 The Lord of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

9 Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, *

what awesome things he has done on earth.

10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *

he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,

and burns the shields with fire.

11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth." 12 The Lord of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

The Second Lesson

Colossians 1:11-20

Reader:

A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians. Paul prays that the Colossians may be strengthened to meet whatever is to come, and he praises the Son as the visible likeness of the invisible God, through whom all things were created.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers— all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

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Gospel Acclamation WLP #806

If you believe and I believe



The Gospel

Luke 23:33-43

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and

offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Chapel

Please join in singing the first verse of "This light of mine." All children are invited to follow the small cross to take part in a liturgy of their own. They will return at the Peace.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine.

The Sermon

The Creed

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 who is
worshiped and glorified.
Who 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.

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world; especially Ukraine, Ethiopia,

Iran, Somalia, and those places impacted by war and violence.

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God. This morning we pray for Fort Dauphin in the Diocese of Toliara and The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean.

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Bishop; Pastor Jenni, Deacon Anne, and Rev Jane; and all other ministers.

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Leader: This morning we pray for Bishop Paula; Bishop Samy and Archdeacon Donne; Sandi, Fran, Rick, Jerry; Jane; Jeremy; A.S.; Karen; Josianne; Pam; Ronia, Laundrina, Alida, Clarita, Mendrika; Ashley; Helene; John; and the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living, PADS and the Community Meal program.

Leader: O God, we pray for the gifts of ministry. We offer our prayers for the search for our next music director. Guide and direct our search, call and commission the person to lead us in the gift of music and song. Inspire our minds with a vision of your kingdom in this time and place.

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.

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

Leader: O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on your servant **Chris** Schrantz (11/25), as he begins another year. Grant that he may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his trust in you all the days of his life.

Leader: We celebrate with **Damoso and Kelsey** Hodges (11/23) on their anniversary. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives.

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. This morning we remember *Damaso* Lopez.

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

After you have greeted others, please have a seat.

Offertory

Celebrant: Let us present our offerings to the Lord. Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

Offertory Hymn #544

Jesus shall reign



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Presentation



Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

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

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer: Prayer A

Presider:

The Lord be with you.

People:

And also with you.

Presider:

Lift up your hearts.

People:

We lift them to the Lord.

Presider:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People:

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus S-130

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Celebrant and People: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *People:* AMEN!

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: These are the gifts of God and we are the people of God. Take them in

remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts with

thanksgiving.

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.

Communion Hymn #812

I, the Lord of sea and sky







Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

Celebrant and People: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. 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.

Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds

in the knowledge of God and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among

you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

Welcome & Announcements Closing Hymn #494

Crown him with many crowns





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The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

Worship Ministers

Crucifer/Acolyte 1st Reader & Walter Smith

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EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Annunciation is a place...

To be included

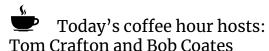
To be honest

To be challenged

To be empowered

To find hope

Thank You



Announcements and Calendar

185th Diocesan Convention

The 185th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will be held this Saturday, November 19 as a virtual gathering on Zoom. Convention will begin at 9 am with morning prayer, during which Bishop Clark will preach and the diocesan necrology will be read.

Following morning prayer, during the convention business session, Bishop Clark will give the bishop's address.

General attendees and visitors are invited to observe the proceedings on YouTube.

Greening of the Church

This morning is the greening of the church! Please join us after the service to set up the trees and lights as we prepare for Advent and the Christmas season.

Christmas Poinsettias

Giving toward our Christmas flowers is a great way to honor a loved one and/or celebrate a blessing in your life. Donation forms and envelopes are on the Communications Center in the Narthex. Thank you!

Advent Devotionals

The Living Compass Advent devotionals are available on the Communication Wall. From the introduction:

...Culture puts many demands on us this time of year, wanting us to complicate our lives by doing more, buying more, eating more, etc. Focusing on simplicity, especially a profoundly spiritual interior simplicity, is indeed counter-cultural. This makes it a perfect focus for Advent because the season of Advent itself is counter-cultural. So let us embrace whole-heartedly the seasons of Advent, along with these reflections, as the support we need to practice simplicity in a way that will help us prepare us for the true meaning of Christmas.

Photo Directory

As was announced at the planning session, we will be having a new photo directory done this year. Universal Church Directories (UCD) will be our partner in this event. Unlike the last time when we had multiple days for the photo shoot, this year we will have just one day. Tuesday, November 29 will be our day before the cameras. We will be scheduling 20-minute sessions between 2 PM and 8:30 PM. You will be able to sign up online or see a scheduler after the service each Sunday from now until November 28. Look for the advertising materials around the church.

UCD will not only take the directory picture but will also give you, FREE OF CHARGE, an 8x10 of your choosing. You will also be able to order additional pictures, picture Christmas cards, etc. from their long line of available items. These will all be back in time for Christmas and will be sent directly to your house. You DO NOT have to buy anything for these pictures to be taken.

Picture directories are very important for newcomers to cement in their minds who people are so we would like to have as full participation as possible. As of this writing, we have only 24 people signed up. We need to have at least 32 people signed up and we actually have a total of 40 slots. As of now, the available times are from 5 PM on. So, there are lots of times from which to choose.

Since people missed the online instructions insert in last week's service bulletin, here they are:

- Go to the Universal Church Directories Website (www.ucdir.com)
- Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login"
- Enter your church code il271
- Enter your church password photos
- Click on the Enter button.

- Click on the desired photography date
- Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time.
- Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name.

When we are closer to the date, we will give you some tips on clothing, make up, etc. for photo day.

Also, we will be using the rooms in the education wing. There will be a sign directing you to the correct door to come in from the parking lot.

If you have any questions, please contact Deb Gallinger or Miriam Berry.

Caring 4Kids

Please bring your gifts by December 4th!

Details . . .

- Donations need to be in by Sunday, December 4th so they can be prepared for distribution.
- · Please note the tag you take on the sign-out sheet on the table next to the tree.
- · Donations can be dropped off in store bags, gift bags aren't necessary, and please do not gift wrap the items.
- · Items can be purchased at the store of your choice. Some favorites are Target, Kohl's, Old Navy, Walmart, and Amazon.
 Thank you, again, for your support. Any questions, please contact me at lindbladandrea@gmail.com or 847-962-4807.

Andrea Lindblad

Every year hundreds of children go without proper clothing. Caring for Kids Clothing is a non-profit organization that helps provide these children with the clothing they so desperately need. Since our beginning in 2010 Caring for Kid has helped outfit hundreds of children every year. We provide an immediate need in warm winter gear, school uniforms, everyday clothing, gym shoes, snow boots, socks, under garments and so much more.

Goods and services donations are especially welcome as we hold several fundraisers each season and can

always make use of raffle prizes and silent auction items. You can make a difference in a child's life; even the smallest donation can make a difference!

Community Meals at Christ Church, Waukegan

An Annunciation team will be serving meals with New Hope UMC at Christ Church Waukegan.

Our next service is on December 11th.

Our Community Meal Team, Bob Coates, Tom Crafton, and Deacon Anne, assisted New Hope UMC last Sunday at Christ Church Waukegan. We served 82 meals to over 40 families. Our next day of service is December 11, from 12:30 – 3:30. We hope to expand our participation in 2023. We would prepare meals for the second Sunday of at least six time in the year. If you are interested in planning and preparing meals before these Sundays or pack and distribute meals on second Sundays, contact Deacon Anne.

Parish Life

Thank you to Terry Kline and Marge Hocking for hosting coffee hour last Sunday.

This Sunday, Bob Coates and Tom Crafton will be hosting for Christ the King Sunday. Again, yummy treats are awaiting us.

Thank you to Elizabeth and Peter Danos and Kim and Dave Fulton for bringing me all the clear wine bottles I needed for our spaghetti dinner centerpieces. The centerpieces worked out very well and you will see them again at the wine tasting in the spring. I am glad everyone liked them.

Our Annual Ornament Exchange is quickly approaching. Have you gotten your ornament yet???? I now have my ornament order which includes a really cute one for the Ornament Exchange. I know of one couple who buy their ornaments on their travels during the year which makes them extra special. For those who do not know what the Ornament Exchange is, let me tell you about this annual tradition. We all wrap an ornament in beautiful paper or gift bags and bring it along with an appetizer/dessert and something to drink (wine is very acceptable). We meet in the Narthex of the church and have some good food,

some good drink and are initially instructed in the time tested rules of the Ornament Exchange. Each person is given a number and we start from number one choosing packages and oohing and aahing about each ornament. Like a white elephant party, stealing is not only expected but encouraged. The stealing gets funnier and funnier as the wine flows more and more. At the end, each person owns up to his or her ornament and tells where it came from. It gives us good ideas for the next year. Everyone who has attended, comes back the next year or laments missing it. This year it will be on Saturday night, December 10, from 7 to 9 PM...ish. We will have the white board sign up going pretty soon. Please clear your calendar, you won't want to miss this one!!!!

If you have any questions, please see Miriam Berry

Adult Forum

11/20 No Episcopal 101

11/27 Episcopal 101: The Bible - What is God saying?

12/4 Episcopal 101: Sacraments and Sacramental Rites: Is it 2, 3, 4, 7, or 8?

12/11 Episcopal 101: How do we tell the Good News?

Join us for a multi-week exploration of the Episcopal Church including sacraments and sacramental rites, Daily prayer, The Bible: What does God Say, and Why is the Christian Life so important. This class is for anyone who would like to dive deeper into the life and practices of the Episcopal Church as well as those seeking Confirmation and Reception.

Scouting News

Nov. 26 Pick-up wreath orders at Church 1:00pm - 3:00pm

If you have any questions, please see Brian Penticoff or Wayne (Bugs) Moran

Wednesday Morning Book Study

Our current study of Mother Teresa: No Greater Love has now come to an end. We did not have class on November 16 due to a lack of attendance so our final two chapters will be read on our own. Those are "On Suffering & Death" and "On the Missionaries of Charity" from page 135 to page 158. Please do read these chapters so we can get the flavor of the end of the book from a prospective of Mother Teresa's thoughts on God's love for us in all things.

We will not have class again until January 4 since the holidays are upon us. I will send out Amazon overviews of books then ask for opinions on our next one. Patsy's last book is certainly high up on the list.

Whatever we decide to do, please join us for our next book. It is a wonderful group of ladies (men could join us, you know) who really care for each other. So, y'all come!!!!

If you have any questions, please see Miriam Berry or Deb Gallinger.

12@12 Service

We begin our new book for our spiritual walk through the 12-Steps with *Came to Believe...* The book is available on-line or can be ordered for you (please let Pastor Jenni know if you would like one ordered.) This week we will be reading Chapter 1, pages 1-6.

PADS donations

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.

COOKIE WALK - DEC 18 "Cookie Re-Connections"

The Holiday Cookie Walk is an "All Hands on Deck" event. Maybe you aren't a baker, and that's ok! There are many opportunities to jump in and help make this annual community event successful. Most importantly, we need lots of "Elves" after worship on event day to ensure operations are smooth, guests are helped quickly, & everyone is feeling festive! Additionally, we're hosting a new event this year... a Mass Production Cookie Decorating Night! We will provide the cookies for you to dip and sprinkle!

To sign-up, use the link in the Parish News. (There is also a hard copy signup in the parish hall, if you prefer). We still need bakers! Please turn in your Baker Forms on the Cookie Walk HQ Wall in the parish hall or submit a digital form through the Parish News.

Please reach out to a Cookie Walk Team Member if you have any questions. We are so excited to be back this year!! Thank you for all of your enthusiasm with baking, advertising, & volunteering.

With gratitude... the '22 Cookie Walk Team (Samantha R, Deb G, Sue L, Elizabeth D, & Sandi H)



Save the Dates

November

- 20 Christ the King Sunday Greening of the Church
- 21 Vestry 6:30pm
- 22 12@12 Service| 12:00 pm Scouts| 7:00pm
- 24 Thanksgiving Day Service 10:00 am
- 27 1 Advent Adult Forum: Episcopal 101 The Bible: What is God saying?
- 29 12@12 Service| 12:00 pm Scouts| 7:00pm

December

- 1 Mah Jongg | 12:00pm
- 2 Karate | 6:00pm Cookie Walk decorating gathering | 5:30pm
- 4 2 Advent St Nicholas' Sunday Adult Forum: Episcopal 101 Sacraments and Sacramental rites - Is it 2, 3, 4, 7, or 8?
- 5 Book Club | 7:00pm
- 6 12@12 Service |12:00pm Scouts |7:00pm

- 7 Wednesday Book Study |10:00am Karate |7:00pm
- 8 Prayer Shawl Ministry | 10:30am Mah Jongg | 12:00pm
- 9 Karate | 6:00pm
- 10 Men's Group |9:00am Ornament Exchange |7:00pm
- 11 3 Advent Adult Forum: Episcopal 101
- 13 12@12 Service | 12:00 pm Cub Scouts | 6:00pm Scouts | 7:00pm
- 14 Wednesday Book Study | 10:00am Karate | 7:00pm
- 15 Mah Jongg | 12:00pm
- 16 Karate 6:00pm
- 17 B&G | 9:00am
- 18 4 Advent Cookie Walk
- 19 Juice and Cookies | 9:00am-12:00pm
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- Juice and Cookies | 9:00am-12:00pm
- 23 Karate | 6:00pm
- 24 Christmas Eve | 4:00pm
- 25 Christmas Day | 10:00am

January

- 1 New Year's Day Holy Name | 10:00am
- 3 No 12@12 Service
- 4 No Wednesday Book Study
- 5 Mah Jongg | 12:00pm
- 7 B&G| 9:00am
- 8 Epiphany | 9:00am De-greening of the Church
- 10 12@12 Service 12:00pm
- 11 Wednesday Book Study | 10:00am
- 12 Mah Jongg | 12:00pm
- 14 Men's Group | 9:00am