

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH NEWS

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## **This Week's Calendar**

### ***Sunday, August 19***

Worship - 9am  
Sunrise Ministry - 9:15am (offsite)

### ***Monday, August 20***

Book Club East - 6pm

### ***Tuesday, August 21***

Boy Scouts - 7pm  
Vestry Meeting - 7pm

### ***Wednesday, August 22***

Lunch Bunch - 1pm  
Music Lessons - 3pm

### ***Friday, August 24***

Morning Prayer - 9am  
PADS Lunches - 12noon

### ***Sunday, August 26 - PARISH PICNIC***

Sunrise Ministry - 9:15am (offsite)  
Worship - ONE SERVICE at 10am  
Picnic to follow



## **Parish Picnic - Sunday, August 26th**

Worship at 10am, with picnic to follow. Please plan to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Look for sign-up sheets soon to help with setup, cleanup, etc. Questions? Food - Deb Bill; Setup/Cleanup - Miriam Berry; Games - Samantha Robison and Beth Hagan.

## **Blessing of Backpacks/Bags/Briefcases**



Sunday, September 9 - as we kick off the new program year, bring your backpack or bag or briefcase or whatever you carry with you to school or work, and we'll ask God's blessing on the work you do in the world.

## **Outreach News**



**THANK YOU** to everyone who participated in any way with the parade!! We had a great turnout and a day filled with faith, fellowship and fun. Hope to see you next year!!

SAVE THE DATES: CROP Walk - October 21 || Giving Tree Kick-Off - November 4 || Veteran's Sock Hop - November 10

Please see Sue, Deb or Miriam with questions about any of our ongoing ministries or events Please see Sue Whipple, Deb Gallinger or Miriam Berry for questions.

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## Workshop on Chanting

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Our new church year starts on September 9, 2018, and we are going to be introducing Anglican Chant to the way we offer our psalms appointed for the day. First, Anglican Chant is super easy! Second, most churches just have the choir chant the psalms and the congregation listen—that's no fun!

Join me and the choir on September 2, 2018, at 10:30 for a short, informal, workshop on chanting the psalms using Anglican Chant. We will be looking at the psalms for September and I will teach you how to participate in this great tradition of our church.

So, September 2nd—come to church, enjoy coffee hour, and then come learn some psalm chants! See you there! - Westley Hodges

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## Parish Choir Fall Retreat

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Do you have an interest in singing or music and would like to try singing in our parish choir? Our rehearsals start back in September and to get us ready we are having a Fall Retreat. Join us at church on Saturday, September 8, 2018, from 8:30am - 2:00 pm for a time of prayer, learning, and fellowship. This is a great time to see how we rehearse, meet the people who are already in the choir, and learn a little bit more about singing. We are honored to have Russ Boulton from First Federated Church in Peoria, IL as our guest clinician for this retreat. If you have more questions or you would like to R.S.V.P to this event, please email Westley at [whodges@westleyhodges.com](mailto:whodges@westleyhodges.com).

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## Music lessons with Westley

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Westley will be resuming piano, voice, and/or organ lessons in August at Annunciation on Wednesday afternoons. If you or anyone you know is interested in taking lessons from Westley, please contact him at [whodges@westleyhodges.com](mailto:whodges@westleyhodges.com).

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## Lunch Bunch, Etc. for August

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Lunch Bunch, Etc. will meet at Iguana Wana, 9080 - 76th Street, Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin on Wednesday, August 22 at 1:00 p.m. This restaurant is owned by a husband and wife team who use local products while staying true to authentic Mexican cuisine. All women of the parish are invited. Separate checks will be requested. If you plan to attend, please contact Jane Schaefer at 224-757-5436 or at [cs.js@comcast.net](mailto:cs.js@comcast.net) before Monday, August 20th

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## *In Gratitude ...*

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Today's **Coffee Hour Host:** 9am - the Mlyniec family

The **Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Candle** today are offered by the Whipple family in celebration of Dan's birthday and in thanksgiving for Sue and Dan's wedding anniversary.

## All Request August - check the list for your request!

Thank you to everyone that contributed to the request for our inaugural "All Request August" at Annunciation. If you submitted a song, please check the list for it so you know what Sunday it lands on. The songs will be done

as congregational songs, choir anthems, solos, or instrument preludes or postludes. Again, thank you for all of your contributions and I look forward to a fun August singing all of our favorite songs!

Peace - Westley Hodges



## Rector Study Group Book for Fall



The Rector Study Groups will resume meeting on September 12/13. The first book we'll be reading and discussing this fall is "*Finding God in the Margins: The Book of Ruth*" by Carolyn Curtis James.

From the book's synopsis on [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/dp/0800634000): *In Finding God in the Margins, Carolyn Curtis James reveals how the book of Ruth is about God, the questions that surface when life falls apart, and how God reaches into the margins and chooses two totally marginalized women who, in the eyes of the patriarchal culture, are zeros.*

*Against the backdrop of disturbing issues in today's world, this bracing narrative puts on display a radical gospel way of living together as human beings that shouts the Kingdom of God, foreshadows Jesus' gospel, and raises the bar for men and women, then and now.*

## Financial Giving Update:

*Giving Statements through the end of June are available on the Communication Center in the narthex.*

*Please pick up your statement to help us manage postage costs.*

	Received	Pledged	Net \$	Net %
<b>First Quarter</b>	<b>\$52,396</b>	<b>\$52,335</b>	<b>\$61</b>	<b>0.12%</b>
<b>Second Quarter</b>	<b>\$50,734</b>	<b>\$52,335</b>	<b>(-\$1,601)</b>	<b>(-3.1%)</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>\$15,992</b>	<b>\$17,445</b>	<b>(-\$1,453)</b>	<b>(-8.3%)</b>
<b>YTD #s</b>	<b>\$119,122</b>	<b>\$122,115</b>	<b>(-\$2,993)</b>	<b>(-2.5%)</b>

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## Staying Connected:

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### **Office Hours - Week of August 19th:**

Tuesday - 7pm-9pm; Wednesday - 9am-2pm; Thursday - 9am-12noon  
*[If the front door isn't open/unlocked, please ring bell to the right of the front doors]*

**Parish News Deadline:** Wednesdays at 12noon. Contact - [emolitors@yahoo.com](mailto:emolitors@yahoo.com)

**Magnificat Deadline:** 20th of each month. Contact - [jnpenticoff@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jnpenticoff@sbcglobal.net)

**Website Updates:** Contact - [MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com](mailto:MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com)

**To make an appointment with the rector:** [emolitors@yahoo.com](mailto:emolitors@yahoo.com) or call/text - 847-727-0862

**Director of Music:** Westley Hodges - [whodges@westleyhodges.com](mailto:whodges@westleyhodges.com).

**Treasurer:** Deborah Bill - [hailstonesailor@gmail.com](mailto:hailstonesailor@gmail.com)

**Food Tidings Meals Ministry:** Contact - [Robison\\_Samantha@yahoo.com](mailto:Robison_Samantha@yahoo.com)

**Wardens & Vestry:** 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.*