

ANNUNCIATION PARISH NEWS

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This Week's Calendar

Sunday, April 22 - 4th Sunday of Easter

Worship - 8am
Adult Forum - 9am (Anglican history)
Sunrise Ministry - 9:15am (offsite)
Worship - 10am
Tamil Language School - 11am

Tuesday, April 24

Boy Scouts - 7pm
Vestry Mtg. - 7pm

Wednesday, April 25

Rector Study Group - 10am
Lunch Bunch - 1pm
Music Lessons - 3pm
Meditation Instruction - 7pm

Thursday, April 26

Rector Study Group - 7pm

Friday, April 27

Morning Prayer - 9am
Beer and Hymns - 7pm

Sunday, April 29 - 5th Sunday of Easter

Worship - ONE SERVICE AT 9am
Sunrise Ministry - 9:15am (offsite)
Parish Planning - 10:15am
Tamil Language School - 11am



NEXT SUNDAY:

Parish Planning after ONE SERVICE (9am) April 29th

Make plans to attend our semi-annual Parish Planning event, on Sunday, April 29th, following ONE service at 9am. We'll be reviewing and adding events to the church calendar for June thru December. Do you have an event or ministry that you'd like the parish to consider? Please contact Rev. Elizabeth, or one of the wardens (Mike Bill or Maggie Attiyeh) before Friday, April 27th, to make sure your idea gets added to the list of items to be discussed.



Lunch Bunch, Etc. will meet at Ristorante Bottai, 946 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Libertyville, on **Wednesday, April 25 at 1:00 p.m.** Enjoy "fresh vegetables, fish and meats prepared as modern interpretations of traditional dishes from the central and mountain regions of Italy. All within your reach at this charming restaurant." 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 before Sunday, April 22..

Congratulations, Shay Craig! Our seminary intern, the Rev. Shay Craig, has been approved for ordination to the priesthood. Her ordination date is Saturday, June 16, 11am at St. James Cathedral. Please hold this date on your calendar and plan to attend this wonderful event!

In Gratitude ...

Today's Coffee Hour Hosts: 8am - Steve Kulbis; 10am - Hagan Family



Today's Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Candle are offered by Deborah and Mike Bill in memory of Robert B. Moore and Frank Cuddy.

Outreach News



SAVE THE DATES! Please join us on Sunday, May 6th for an Outreach meeting immediately following our 10am service. We offer something for everyone so we hope you will come and learn more about our many ongoing ministries and about exciting new events being planned. Help us brainstorm for the upcoming Gurnee parade too! This year's theme is, "Celebrates The Decades" and will be held on August 12th at noon. We will again be joining with the Boy Scouts and sharing our Annunciation "YES" out in the community. All questions and suggestions are welcome, please contact Sue Whipple at Mywhipp@aol.com or Deb Gallinger at debgallinger1@gmail.com

Winter Farmers Market:

We want to thank everyone who helped make the Winter Farmers Market a great success. We had approximately 160 people attend the event and had some wonderful vendors. From Alaskan wild caught fish to cookies to grass fed beef to pepper jams. We had fun and educational programs for the kids. It was a wonderful day! Thank you all who attended the market and special thanks to all who helped set up, worked during the event, and helped clean up afterwards. *- Jan Harastany*



ASP Team to present at April 29th service

The Appalachia Service Project team thanks you for your prayers as they did their work in Jonesville, Virginia, helping to make someone's home "warmer, safer, drier." The 2018 team members are: Carol Anderson, Mike Bill, Megan Dailey, Cindy Hibbard, Lisa Kleine, Elizabeth Molitors, Brian Penticoff, Cindy Pullinger, and Dan Whipple. The team will present reflections on their trip at the April 29th service (ONE service at 9am, because of Parish Planning).



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.



Support the Boy Scouts while you enjoy a meal at the Gurnee Portillo's. Dine in or take out food on **Tuesday, April 24th**, from 5-8pm and mention Boy Scout Troop #627, and 20% of the proceeds will benefit our Annunciation Boy Scout troop. (Not valid with online orders. Gift cards purchased during fundraisers will not count toward donation.)

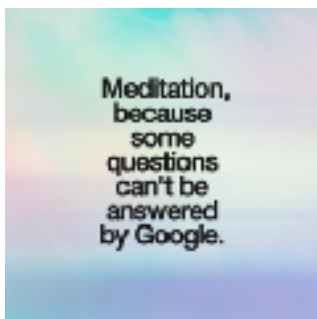


Save the Date: Retired Flag Service - June 10

In honor of Flag Day, the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts are preparing to conduct a service to formally retire tattered and worn out flags according to proper protocol. If you have an old, worn, or tattered flag, please bring it to the church and put it in the "FLAG" box, located in the narthex.

You are also invited to attend and participate in the flag retirement service scheduled to follow the 9am worship service on June 10th.

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 next session will take place on April 25, 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

Financial Giving Update:

| | Received | Pledged | Net \$ | Net % |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| January 2018 (includes annual/ prepaid pledges) | \$27,335 | \$17,445 | \$9,890 | 56.7% |
| February 2018 | \$13,005 | \$17,445 | (-\$4,440) | (-25.5%) |
| March 2018 | \$12,056 | \$17,445 | (-\$5,389) | (-30.9%) |
| YTD #s | \$52,396 | \$52,335 | \$61 | 0.12% |

Staying Connected:

Office Hours - Week of April 22:

Tuesday: 9am-1pm, 7pm-9pm; Wednesday: 10am-12noon; Thursday: 2pm-3:30pm

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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

Director of Music: Westley Hodges - whodges@westleyhodges.com.

Treasurer: Deborah Bill - hailstonesailor@gmail.com

Food Tidings Meals Ministry: Contact - 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.