



Annunciation
of Our Lady

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 19

September 13, 2020 | 9:00 am

The Annunciation of Our Lady Episcopal Church
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Welcome to Annunciation

What's Happening

This bulletin contains everything you need to participate in the service. All are welcome to join in this celebration of praise and Holy Eucharist. This morning, we welcome The Rev Jane Schaefer as our guest celebrant and The Rev Linda Lutter as our preacher.

In-person, indoor worship

- Remember, we are safer at home and online worship will be streaming. If you are not feeling well, have been exposed to COVID-19, or are being treated for COVID-19, you need to stay home.
- You must register for church if you will be attending in the building.
- You must wear a mask at all times in the building, with the exceptions: you are a reader or intercessor at the lectern or pulpit and to consume communion.
- Masks will be provided, if you forget yours.
- All greetings, the Peace, and conversations must be physically distanced.
- We will not have paper bulletins. You will need a mobile device or print at home.
- There will be a collection plate at the entrance of the Nave, if you would like to bring your offering.
- You are welcome to remain in the parking lot and stream the service - one of the clergy will bring you communion at the end of the service.
- There is no singing inside the building.

Entrance:

- Enter the church building through the Education door. You will be asked 3 questions about your health.
- Please sanitize your hands before entering the building.
- Please do not touch door knobs or handles
- Follow the arrows in the hall to the Nave door by the choir room.
- The Usher will direct you to a numbered seat.
- We require you to maintain good physical distancing, 6-foot distance from others.
- We will be making note of who is present at worship in case we need to do contact tracing.

Restroom:

- **Emergency restrooms** are available in the Parish Hall (for those worshipping inside the church) and the Education Hall (for those worshipping in the parking lot). Follow the signs. The restrooms are for one-at-a-time use, please wait for the previous person to exit.
- Please only touch the surfaces that are necessary and wipe them with a disinfecting wipe afterward.

Holy Eucharist:

- **This morning we will be celebrating Holy Eucharist. Communion will only be by wafer. At the time of the invitation to Communion, please stay in your seat, the clergy will bring the sacrament to you.**

Exit:

- Please remain seated until an usher dismisses you.
- During the postlude, the ushers will dismiss you beginning from the back rows forward to the altar.

- Leave the Nave through the center doors and make your way out the front doors.
- There can be no lingering in the Narthex.

Home Communion

When you would like communion brought to your home, please email the church office or Pastor Jenni.

Healing Prayers

The healing prayer ministry is adjusting the way we do things. One person will be prayer minister for the entire week. As a normal rule, if you have a prayer request anytime during the week, you may call, message, or email the prayer minister. This week, please use either phone or email as Barbara is not spending much time on Facebook.

Sept. 13: Barbara Crowe, 847-234-5408, crowe2136@earthlink.net

Music

There will be no singing inside the Church.

Online Worship

Thank you to Mike Robison for producing this morning's worship service.

To facilitate everyone being able to hear during the service, everyone will be muted except for the person speaking.

Please close all other applications on the device you are using. If you are having connection issues, try turning off the video. You will still be able to hear the service.

If your household has multiple devices going, mute the audio on all but one of them, it can cause feedback on the microphones if there are two or more devices broadcasting in the same room. Also, using headphones or earbuds can eliminate problems with active audio

Streaming to Facebook Live

This morning we are working to stream our service to the public page for Annunciation on Facebook. If you weren't able to join us for our live 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

Restrooms

Please see the instructions above. For those worshipping at home, feel free to use your own restrooms and wash your hands.

The Sanctuary Candle is given by Betsy Donegan in thanksgiving for her birthday.

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude Musical Call to Worship

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.
People: ***Amen.***

Gloria

Celebrant and People, say together

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:*

*have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand
of the Father: receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Collect of the Day

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

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: ***Amen.***

The First Lesson

Reader: A reading from the book of Genesis (50:15-21)

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong

that we did to him?” So they approached Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this instruction before he died, ‘Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.’ Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, “We are here as your slaves.” But Joseph said to them, “Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.” In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

The Psalm (103:8-13)

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

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.

As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

The Second Lesson

Reader: A reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans. (14:1-12)

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in

honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Musical Gospel Acclamation

The Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. (18:15-20)

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Deacon: Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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

The Sermon The Nicene Creed

The Rev. Linda Lutter

Celebrant and People, say together

*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 he is worshiped
and glorified.*

*He 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.*

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader Each of us is finally accountable to God. So let us pray, saying, "Lord, we are in need of your mercy; have patience with us."

Leader Lord, we acknowledge that we all sin against our siblings in Christ. Forgive us even as we forgive each other. Help us to be merciful to each other in the Church. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People **Have patience with us.**

Leader Lord, we acknowledge that we desire to repay violence with violence. Open our hearts to forgive even those who commit evil acts towards us and those we love. Help us to live mercifully in our world. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People **Have patience with us.**

Leader Lord, we acknowledge we do not always appreciate the diversity of your creation. Teach us to live in peace with each other and with your creation. Help us to life mercifully with our world. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People *Have patience with us.*

Leader Lord, we acknowledge that we do not love our neighbors as you love us. Forgive us for placing ourselves as judge over others when judgement belongs to you alone. Help us to accept the great mercy you choose to show to others. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People *Have patience with us.*

Leader Lord, we pray for those whose lives are broken by evil. Because of your mercy we believe that whatever befalls them, they belong to you; you care for the brokenhearted. Help us to share your love with all those who are hurting. This morning we pray for *Rob Robison; Carol Eads; Patsy; Greg, Joe, Helene; Jannette Kellogg; Marsha; John; Cindy Hibbard; Charlie and Amy; Ricki and Noah; Claudia; Christine; Cindy; and the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living and PADS.* Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People *Have patience with us.*

Leader Lord, we pray for those who died in violence. The dead belong to you, O Lord. Even as we seek your mercy for ourselves, judge all those who have died with mercy. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People *Have patience with us.*

Leader 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.* Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People *Have patience with us.*

Leader: O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on your servants *Susan O'Morchoe (9/13), Taylor Lindblad (9/14), Bob Nitsche (9/15), Betsy Donegan (9/16), Laura Fulton (9/18), Ruth Chatlien (9/18), and William Hagan, Jr. (9/19)* as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in you all the days of their lives. Lord, we are in need of your mercy;

People *Have patience with us.*

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: *Amen.*

The Peace

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

People: *And also with you.*

Offertory

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due God's name; bring offerings and come into God's courts with praise and thanksgiving.

Music for meditation

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 say:

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosannah in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes

in the Name of the Lord

Hosannah in the highest!

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 for ever.

People: **AMEN!**

The Lord's Prayer

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

People: ***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.***

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.

Music for Communion Spiritual Communion

The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability, the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion (p. 457). When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing. (Borrowed from our friends in Christ at St. Peter's, Chicago and *The St. Augustine's Prayer Book*)

People: ***Gracious God, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are present in the Bread and Wine of the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you in the Sacrament, I ask you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.***

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

*Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever.*

Welcome & Announcements

The Blessing

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and forever.

People: *Amen.*

Musical Benediction

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Postlude

Ministers of the service

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