

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 20

September 20, 2020 | 9:00 am

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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.

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 these 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 basket 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, at 6-feet 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 worshiping inside the church) and the Education Hall (for those worshiping 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, Pastor Jenni 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. The prayer minister for this week is The Rev Linda Lutter, 847-340-3253

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/annunciation gurnee/live/

You do not have to have a Facebook account to view the video

Restrooms

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

The Sanctuary Candle is given in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

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.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

The First Lesson

Reader: A reading from the book of Jonah (3:10-4:11)

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the Lord said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

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

The Psalm (145:1-8)

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

I will exalt you, O God my King, * and bless your Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you * and praise your Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; * there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another * and shall declare your power.

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty * and all your marvelous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, * and I will tell of your greatness.

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; * they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

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

The Second Lesson

Reader:

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians. (1:12-30)

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Musical Gospel Acclamation The Gospel

Celebrant:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. (20:1-16)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Celebrant:

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did

the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Nicene Creed

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.

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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 Siblings in Christ, turn for help to the Lord your strength and constantly seek God's presence. Let us pray to our generous God, saying, "Lead us with gladness, O God; cover us with shouts of joy!

Leader Generous God, you have chosen us to do the work of your kingdom; you have called us to labor in your vineyard. With grateful hearts, we offer to you the best of what we have. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

Leader Generous God, you hear the cry of the hungry. Give bread to all those who face starvation. Use us, as you will, to relieve the suffering in our world. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

Leader O Lord, you have caused grapes to grow on the vine and wheat to grow in the fields so that we might celebrate this festive day. Bless the land to grow enough that all people might celebrate its bounty. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

Leader Generous God, you make rivers run in dry places. you have blessed this earth with bountiful resources. Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world around us. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

Leader Generous God, there is enough kingdom work for everyone. Give us eyes to see the opportunities in our own neighborhood. Guide us that we may live in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

Generous God, you hear the cries of the desperate. Marvelous are your works, O God. may the sick and suffering rejoice in you. May the sorrowful call upon your name. 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*. Lead us with gladness, O God; *People* Cover us with shouts of joy!

Leader Generous God, living is Christ and dying is gain. may those who now rest from their labors find their comfort in you. Let light perpetual shine upon them. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

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, let us pray

to the Lord. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

Leader: O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on your servants **Jan** Harastany (9/22), **Jennifer** Edwards (9/23), **and Payton** Wilson (9/25), 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. Lead us with gladness, O God;

People Cover us with shouts of joy!

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

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

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