



# Annunciation Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, September 1, 2024

## Worship Bulletin

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
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### Happening this week:

- Sunday - Worship |9:00am
- Monday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom
- Tuesday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Scouts |7:00pm
- Wednesday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, **Wednesday Book Study | 10:00am**, Karate |6:00pm
- Thursday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Mah Jongg |12:00 pm
- Friday - Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Karate |6:00pm

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### Keep on the Calendar

#### September

1 15th Sunday after Pentecost|9:00am  
2 Labor Day - office closed  
4-15 Pastor Jenni Vacation  
8 16th Sunday after Pentecost|9:00am  
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd starts  
Tamil Palli | 1:30pm  
15 17th Sunday after Pentecost |9:00am  
22 18th Sunday after Pentecost |9:00am  
Vestry |10:45 am  
Tamil Palli |1:30pm  
23 Parish Council |6:00pm  
25 Lunch Bunch | 12:30pm  
29 19th Sunday after Pentecost |9:00am

#### October

6 20th Sunday after Pentecost| 9:00am  
Tamil Palli |1:30om  
12 Community meal prep  
13 21st Sunday after Pentecost |9:00am  
Community meal |12:30pm  
20 22nd Sunday after Pentecost |9:00 am

Vestry | 10:45am  
Madagascar link celebration  
Tamil Palli Welcome lunch | 12:30pm  
23 Lunch Bunch | 12:30pm  
27 23rd Sunday after Pentecost | 9:00am  
Parish Planning after worship

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## Publications in September

Articles and announcements for September 8th and 15th, please have them to the office by September 3rd at noon.

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## September 15th Morning Prayer

On 9/15, we will have Morning Prayer officiated by Deacon Anne and Deacon Linda preaching. Unfortunately, Pastor Jenni was unable to find a supply priest for that Sunday. Just a couple of pastoral notes: doing Morning Prayer is another way of offering our prayers and worship while gathering in community and fellowship. Those who participate in Morning Prayer on the weekdays will testify to the beauty and sacredness of all the many ways we can worship.

Second, this service will not have a celebration of Holy Eucharist. Bishop Clark has issued a pastoral direction around doing Reserved Sacrament communion and she has made the decision that without the sacramental leadership of a priest or bishop, then we are invited to offer our worship in Morning Prayer.

[To read Bishop Clark's pastoral letter to the Diocese, click here.](#)

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## Readings for this Sunday, 9/1

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9  
Psalm 15  
James 1:17-27  
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

[Click here for the Lectionary Page.](#)

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## 2025 Liturgical Calendars

The 2025 liturgical calendars are available on the communications wall.

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## St Francis Pet Food Drive

Throughout the month of September, you are invited to gather and bring to church pet food to support our St Francis Pet Food drive. All donations can be left in the box in the narthex. On October 4th, we will bless all the food and Deb Modde will see that it gets to a place where it will be put to good use. Any questions, please speak with Deb.

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**A Civil Discourse Primer: Building Capacity for Engaging on Tough Topics**

## Civil Discourse



Now, more than ever, we must move beyond divisions and partisanship, and renew relationships with people with whom we disagree. The Episcopal Church has resources to help develop ways to stay in relationship with and care for each other. If you were not able to attend the Zoom meeting at 3 pm on August 27, you can watch a recording of the meeting by going to the Office of Government Relations of the Episcopal Church

Website on Civil Discourse, here is the link [And join Deacon Anne for a conversation about Civil Discourse on Thursday, September 5 at 7 pm on Zoom. Please contact Deacon Anne, \[deacon.anunciation@gmail.com\]\(mailto:deacon.anunciation@gmail.com\), if you will attend the conversation.](#)

[To visit the Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations, click here.](#)

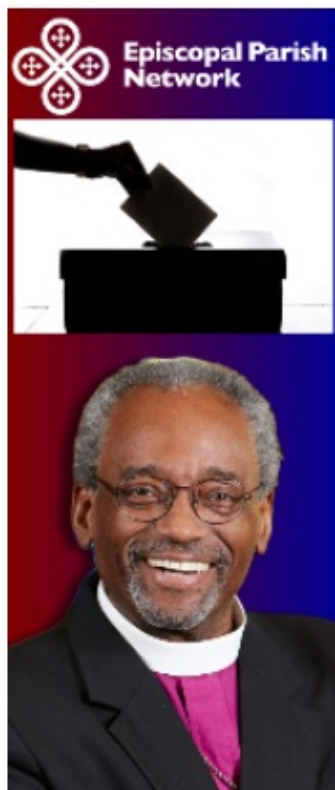
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## Vote Faithfully: Episcopalians Engaging the U.S. Election

Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 1:00pm EDT

Join Presiding Bishop Michael Curry with guests from across the church exploring the meaning behind voting from a theological perspective that centers this civic action as one expression of caring for one another and God's creation. Our panelists will offer framing for healthy, faith-based civic engagement from the theoretical to the tangible, including addressing why it is important for Episcopal churches to leverage our resources to help our broader communities vote. In an election full of increasing pressures—disinformation, the risk of political violence, disenfranchisement, environmental concerns, and more—come learn how to navigate challenges while remaining focused in our preparations to cast our votes in this fall's election. Our panelists will provide an engaging discussion and direct attendees to resources that can help you encourage your parishioners and community to vote faithfully. Here is the link to register. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Anne at [deacon.annunciation@gmail.com](mailto:deacon.annunciation@gmail.com).

[To register for this seminar, click here.](#)



## Vote Faithfully Episcopalians Engaging the U.S. Election

*Wed., Sept. 18 at 1PM EDT*

Join **Presiding Bishop Michael Curry** and church guests to explore voting through a theological lens, highlighting it as an expression of care for each other and God's creation. Panelists will discuss faith-based civic engagement and the importance of Episcopal churches using their resources to support community voting.

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## Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

One of the lovely things about CGS is how the whole



parish can participate in the creation of the materials for the atrium. Per Maria Montessori's method there are hand made physical materials for the children to continue listening to God by moving the wooden figures around corresponding dioramas or copying Scripture or setting up a model of the altar to learn the names of the objects used at the Eucharist. We have most of these materials already; however, some need repair or replacing. What I need right now are people with nice handwriting/printing to make new prayer cards and covers for Scripture booklets. We don't use

computer-generated print because it doesn't carry the faith life of the person or community. Also I need someone who can sand and repaint a small table. Later I will need people who can create lifelike clay figures for the Last Supper. Let Pam Moore know if you or someone you know can help in any of these capacities.

[To learn more about Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, click here.](#)

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## Big Thank You to our Baseball Volunteers!

To All Baseball Concession Volunteers-  
We did it! Knocked it out of the park (Pun intended)!!

I want to thank each and every one of you: Barb Clark, Bob Coates, Tom Crafton, Cathay Drummer, Kim Fulton, Stan and Deb Gallinger, Bill and Beth Hagan, Finley and Jenni Kozial, David McClain, Susan and Charles O'Morchoe, Jane Penticoff, Deacon Anne, and Leanne Ulmer for helping this season at the various concession booths that we were assigned at the 8 baseball games (4 in May and 4 in August). You all did a fantastic job and did not complain once about the work we were doing! The comradery and fellowship (not to mention laughter) was fantastic. Please send me any pictures you took at the games this year and I will pass them on to Pastor Jenni.

We are still waiting for final \$ reports but it appears we raised just under \$13K in commissions and bonuses for the 8 games that we worked! And....we are not done! Based on the Brewers currently leading their division (by 9 games with only 31 games left to play), I fully expect we will be working playoff games (required per our contract). I also believe we earn a higher commission (10% vs. 6%) at post season games!

So, rest up and stay tuned for future communication regarding playoff games that start in early October.

Thank you,  
Bill

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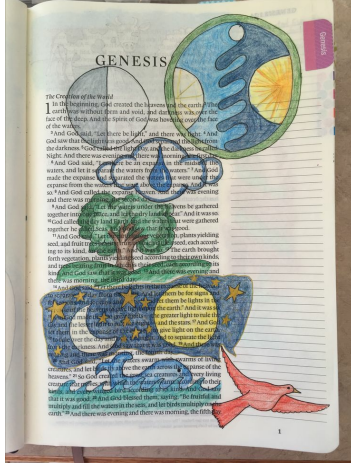
## PADS Sack Lunches

The sack lunch makers are asking for monetary donations to support the ministry. Currently, the group members purchase all the food, however the supplies for the meals (paper bags, condiments, etc.) are purchased through the PADS funds here at church. You can make a note on your donation "For PADS" or use one of the donation envelopes found on the notice board in the Parish Hall. Thank you so much for continuing to support this vital local ministry.

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## Wednesday Book Study

Our study of the book of Genesis continues on Wednesday mornings. This week we had Elizabeth Danos' daughter,



Kimberly, join us. It is just wonderful to have family members come to class. This week we finished up on Creation and started on Noah's Ark. Our discussions this week were excellent.

Pastor Jenni and Miriam Berry will be leading us through the rest of Genesis talking about Noah and his Ark, Abraham and Sarah and the whole family and, of course, Joseph and all those Egyptians. We are planning some fun things to do besides learning some things we bet you didn't know.

So come join us and see what the fun things are. The classes are not built upon each other so you can come and go as your schedule dictates. This is an eight week class and six weeks remain, so come join us.

Oh, we'll have treats too.

Our reading assignments for the September 4 class are: Chapter 5, Life of Abraham in Rose Guide to Genesis and Genesis 12 through 23 in the NIV version of the Bible. Also, since we will be finishing up with Noah, you might want to review Chapter 4 on Noah's Ark as well.

If you have any questions, please see Pastor Jenni or Miriam Berry.

[Click here for the scripture handout.](#)

[Click here for the Rose Guide to Genesis](#)



Pastor Jenni mentioned Dr. Dan McClellan in class on Wednesday. Here is a brief introduction to some of his work.



## Community Meals

We served 76 fresh meals and snack bags on Sunday, August 11, at Christ Church Waukegan. Six members of our parish and Deacon Anne participated on Saturday for meal prep and/or Sunday for set up, serving, and cleanup, and some did both days. Several members of the parish donated food for the meal and snack bags. Please save the dates for our next Community

Meal, October 13 and December 8. If you would like to learn more about this meaningful ministry, talk to Tom Crafton.

## A New Kitchen Step

Thank you to all-star B&G member, Bill Attiyeh, for fixing and making our kitchen door step safe! It is wonderful!



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## Cub Scouts Popcorn Sale

Popcorn is coming... popcorn is coming!

Cub Scout Pack 1627 and Troops 627/1627 will be doing table sales on September 8 and 15, before and after Services with Immediate delivery for you to have that day. Sales support our Scouts on their journey through the year.

Reach out to [Wayne \(Bugs\) Moran](#), our in-house popcorn Kernel.



## Parish Life

Did you enjoy your ice cream last Sunday? Well, thank you to Jane Penticoff and Beth Hagan for hosting our ice cream social to celebrate the kids going back to school. There sure were some tasty treats.

This week is our annual picnic. It looks like we will have between 40 and 50 people attending. Based on what people have indicated they are bringing, we are going to have quite a diverse and yummy spread. Thank you, to everyone for signing up, to the guys doing the grilling and especially to the Andersons for providing all the meat. Now, hopefully, we will have a nice day. But it is always a fun event whether it is inside or out.

The worship service will be held indoors but the dining will be provided both indoors and out, weather permitting. The Hagan family will be providing Bingo and we will also have face painting. So, get ready everyone, hotdogs, hamburgers and brats are finally upon us!!!!

We are in need of a coffee hour host for September 1. This is Labor Day weekend so please check your schedule and sign up if you can. If no one does, we will just have drinks.

September 29 is going to be a really fun day. Our coffee hour will be hosted by Susan O'Morchoe and Miriam Berry. You will be participating in a blind taste test of three coffee cakes that all boast about being THE BEST. Susan will bake the coffee cakes and Miriam will run the taste test. (This is, obviously, the proper division of labor; Miriam doesn't bake!!!!) So be sure to join us and make your opinion known.

Oh, and the jigsaw puzzlers have completed another pretty puzzle. They have one more pretty one to finish out the summer and then the Madagascar Baobab trees one will be out for the fall. We have 4 or 5 dedicated puzzlers and I am sure they would welcome more, so head on over to the puzzle table. And, if you are in need of a puzzle to do at home, check out the puzzle swap table and take one to do at home then bring back.

If you have any questions, please see Andrea Lindblad or Miriam Berry.



### Free to a good home

Arul, who is the coordinator of the Tamil Palli, has a treadmill that is free to a good home. The treadmill is in good condition and if you would like to take it home, you just need to be in contact with Arul. Pastor Jenni or Bill Hagan can get you that information.



## News from Fort Dauphin and the Friends of Toliara

From what I hear, the Youth Camp that was held last week in Fort Dauphin was a big success. Kids 13 and up were encouraged to go and approximately 250 of them did attend. Many of our sponsors, whose kids were eligible, sponsored their kids to go. For our kids, it was an easy deal since they live in or around Fort Dauphin so the rigors of travel did not affect them.

The youth from Morondavo and Mahabo traveled 4 days each way and those from Tsiharoa (our government school) walked 15 miles each way. And, the youth from Maroaloka walked around 53 miles each way bringing cattle, probably Zebu, to sell in Fort Dauphin. Heading off to Purdue for soccer camp, this was not!!!! (My granddaughter just did that.)

The group was charged with the following:

To become young people who will bring transformation

To build up the youth leaders

To stand against corruption

To be able to manage the environment through the transformation of junk (and generate some additional income)

To be able to Discover, Deploy and Develop their talents

The next Youth Camp will take place in 2028 so these TO DOs will last awhile.

There are two pictures at the end of this article. The first is of the group of our kids (that's Neny Vemo, Ven. Canon Donne's wife on the right in the red dress). The second picture is what 250 Malagsy kids look like in a conference room.

We had gotten some very happy news from Fiadanana the Child Sponsorship leader. He is a really cute guy with a spectacular smile. He and his girlfriend, Erica, will be getting married next July. (No Steve, she is not the Erica you sponsor.) I have included a picture of them after she said "YES" She, unfortunately, had to drop out of school in the fourth grade because her father left the family and her mother could not afford to send her. She works as "a seller". Please pray for this beautiful little couple that their lives together will



be blessed beyond their wildest dreams.

Also, please pray for all our good friends on the "Great Red Island" as they head into summer with all its trials.

If you would like to know more about Madagascar and our involvement there, please see Miriam Berry.



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## Digital Vergers

We are calling for a few more volunteers to help with the broadcasting of our Sunday worship. If you are interested in being one of our Digital Vergers, please talk with Beth Hagan, Charles O'Morchoe, or Pastor Jenni.

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## Annunciation Book Club

The schedule for the new year of book club gatherings is here!

[Click here to see the schedule and book list.](#)

We meet most months on the first Monday of the month, moving to the second Monday in holiday months. A highlight of our year is the book exchange and potluck in December. The book list and schedule can be found on the communication wall at church, on the website or in the parish news. If you have any questions, please email [Deb](#).

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## Links to Zoom Worship for this Week

Sunday Worship |9:00 am

[Join Sunday Worship](#)

### Monday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 854 3455 6030  
Passcode: 429149

### Tuesday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 812 3791 9123  
Passcode: 832106

### Wednesday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 828 3206 9054  
Passcode: 528453

### Thursday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 871 5804 8836  
Passcode: 001151

### Friday Morning Prayer| 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 897 1519 6205  
Passcode: 424496

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*To be included*

*To be honest*

*To be empowered*

*To be challenged*

*To find hope*

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Submissions due Thursday morning.  
Email the Parish Administrator:  
[Click here](#)

**During the week:**  
Pastoral emergencies: 847-336-3730  
The Church office is open Monday -  
Thursday, 8:30am to 2:30pm.

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