

## Our Parish Life





# September 2019 The Episcopal Church of the Annunciation



"And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS." Luke 1:31

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The Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick Deacon

**Anne Roller,** *Treasurer* 

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**Karen Hidalgo,** Church Secretary

Beverly Thompson. Clerk to the Vestry, 2018

#### **2018 Vestry Members**

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Check out our Web site to find latest newsletter, calendar, sermons and more. Thank you to Scott Clements for his help in keeping website information updated.

### OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH LIFE

Non perishable food needed.

Bring your Items into the Narthex or Church office.

Please wear your name tags on Sunday Morning.

Sunday Morning Christian Education for all ages at 9:30 am.

Sunday, September 1st

The Very Rev. Denise will be off. Morning Prayer Rite II at 8:00 am and 10:30 am.

The Bible for Dummies Study

Wednesday, September 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 6:30 p.m.

**Acolyte Training** 

Sunday, September 8, 12:00 pm noon. Lunch provided.

**Episcopal Church Women Coffee Hour** 

Sunday, September 15, after the 10:30 service.

**Daughters of the King Training** 

Sunday, September 15, 12:00. Bag lunch.

**Newcomers Welcome Luncheon** 

Sunday, September 22, 12:00 noon 407 S. Broadfoot Blvd., Vidalia.

**Vestry Meeting** 

Monday, September 23, 6:00 pm

Youth Sunday & Social Media Sunday

Sunday, September 29, 10:30 am service. Lunch and activities.

**Fall Clergy Conference at Honey Creek** 

Monday, September 30 through Wednesday, October 2.

**Blessing of the Animals** 

Sunday, October 6, 4:00 pm.



Facts about the Episcopal that you may know or may not know:



The Episcopal Church is a member church of the worldwide Anglican Communion; the third largest Christian communion in the world which includes 85 million people in over 165 countries. Anglicanism is a tradition within Christianity comprising the Church of England and churches which are historically tied to it or hold similar beliefs, worship practices and church structures. The Anglican Communion is an international association of autonomous churches consisting of the Church of England and national and regional Anglican churches in full communion with it.

The Episcopal Church is divided into nine provinces and has dioceses in the United States, Taiwan, Micronesia, the Caribbean, Central and South America, as well as the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe and the Navajoland Area Mission. The Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe includes all its congregations in continental Europe. The Navajoland Area Mission is an Area Mission of the Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

In 2017, the Episcopal Church had 1,871,581 baptized members, of whom 1,712,563 were in the United States. The<sup>I</sup> presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church is the Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, the first African-American bishop to serve in that position.

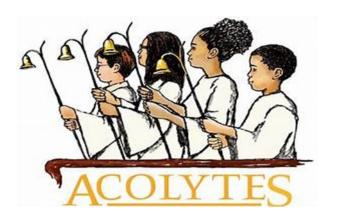
The Episcopal Church was organized after the American Revolution, when it became separate from the Church of England, whose clergy are required to swear allegiance to the British monarch as Supreme Governor of the Church of England. The General Convention of 1789 meeting in Philadelphia set the pattern for the Protestant Episcopal Church in the USA. This convention adopted a Constitution and Canons, and a Book of Common Prayer, which maintained the essentials of the Catholic and Anglican heritage, with distinctly American adaptations.

The Episcopal Church describes itself as "Protestant, yet Catholic". Protestantism is a form of Christian faith and practice which originated with the Protestant Reformation in 16<sup>th</sup> century Europe, a movement against what its followers considered to be errors in the Roman Catholic Church. Catholicism is a term which in its broadest sense refers to the beliefs and practices of Christian denominations that describe themselves as catholic.

The Episcopal Church is an apostolic church, tracing its bishops back to the apostles via holy orders. Holy Orders are ordained ministries such as bishop, priest or deacon.

The Book of Common Prayer, a collection of traditional rites, blessings, liturgies, and prayers used throughout the Anglican Communion, is central to Episcopal worship. The BCP defines how we worship and includes a pattern of prayer that is both ancient and modern drawing on the tradition of the church through the centuries and responding to the needs and concerns of faithful Christians in this day and age. The first BCP was published in 1549 under the direction of Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury. Liturgy, literally "the work of the people", and translated as "public service" in secular terms.

#### **Acolyte Training**



Acolyte Training and Lunch. Sunday, September 8 after 10:30 am service. All current and prospective acolytes are asked to attend this training refresher. Being an acolyte is a service of honor to God and to the Annunciation community.

#### Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child



We will begin collecting items for Operation Christmas Child now through November 17.

#### What is Operation Christmas Child?

- 1. The Samaritan's Purse project Operation Christmas Child collects shoebox gifts—filled with fun toys, school supplies and hygiene items—and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. For many of these children, the gift-filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received.
- 2. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child, the world's largest Christmas project of its kind, has collected and delivered more than 146 million shoebox gifts to children in more than 160 countries and territories.
- 3. In 2019, Operation Christmas Child hopes to collect enough shoebox gifts to reach another 11 million children in countries like Peru, the Philippines, Rwanda and Ukraine. Nearly 11 million shoebox gifts were collected worldwide in 2017, with more than 8.8 million collected in the U.S.

Anyone can pack a shoebox. Individuals, families, churches and groups fill empty shoeboxes with school supplies, hygiene items and fun toys, such as dolls or soccer balls. During the National collection week (Nov.12-19, 2018) Samaritan's Purse will collect the gift-filled shoeboxes at nearly 5,000 drop-off locations in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. **Do not include:** candy; toothpaste, used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; seeds; chocolate or food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items, such as snow globes or glass containers; or aerosol cans.

#### **Altar Flowers**



Opportunities to sponsor flowers for the Altar are available.

This is a meaningful way to honor, remember or thank
a loved one. If interested please call the church office.

Donation of \$50 is requested but any donation is appreciated.

## Memorial Service at 4:00pm and Blessing of the Animals at 4:30pm Sunday, October 6 and all pets are welcome!



At 4:00pm, a Memorial Service will be held in the St. Francis Memorial Garden to remember and give thanks for our deceased beloved pets and to scatter ashes.

Immediately following the Memorial Service, the blessing of our beloved living pets will take place along with blessing of the pet supplies collected to be donated to SOAPS. Refreshments will be served for humans and animals.

To Support SOAPS and the good work they do in our community please bring to church in September donations of dry puppy and dog food (Purina or Pedigree), towels and blankets (gently used), leashes & collars-all sizes, Tractor Supply or Walmart gift cards.

#### **Vidalia Community Chorus**



Will be performing "How Sweet The Sound"

Gospel favorites, Saturday, October 26th. So save the date. First United Methodist Church, 209 Church Street, Vidalia.



#### **United Thank Offering**



How to live a life of gratitude for daily blessings? It is unbelievably easy! Just breathe a quiet prayer of "Thank you, God!" as good things come to you throughout your day. To make it even more special, share that goodness with others and drop a coin or bill in your United Thank Offering Blue Box. It may become part of a grant for a van to carry someone to a clinic for medical care, or to a church in a faraway place with no transportation, or even a motorbike to make it possible for a priest or deacon to make rounds for services in a jungle or desert somewhere. Amazing things happen when we share the love of Jesus!

Look for Blue UTO Boxes in the Narthex.

Please bring in filled boxes Sunday, November 3.

#### Congratulations

Please welcome the newest little member to our church.
Alison Maxine Champion, born Monday, August 26, 7lbs,
2oz to Kristen and Frank Champion and baby sister to
Ellie Champion.



#### Please welcome to our community...

Ann Childers, her daughter Courtney Dellinger, grandson Alex and granddaughter Mackenzie.

Victoria Bausch and her son Anderson.



#### Thank You's...

School Staff at J.D. Dickerson Elementary School receiving the school supplies collected



Thank you Annunciation for your generous donations of school supplies to be used in the new school year.







Thank you to Wes Chapman for his generous donation of 5 Smoked Boston Butts to the church.





#### **ECW Annual Yard Sale**

We are collecting items for our Annual Yard sale. If you have any items to donate that you no longer need or want, you can bring them to the church office building. If help is needed for delivery of large items, call the office at 912-537-3776. Our Episcopal Church Women (ECW) group uses the proceeds from our rummage sale to help meet the needs of our community throughout the year-and without your help it will not happen!

#### **SEPTEMBER 2019**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Morning Prayer Rite II 9:30 am Adult Education 9:45 am Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Nursery 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rite II	2 ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** **	3	Bible for Dummies Study 6:30 pm.	5	6 Office Closed Rev. Denise Off	7
8 The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  8:00 am Holy Eucharist II 9:30 am Adult Education 9:45 am Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist II  12:00 pm Acolyte Training lunch provided	9	10	Bible for Dummies Study 6:30 pm.	12	13 Office Closed Rev. Denise Off	Diocesan Council Meeting St. Peters Savannah
15 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  8:00 am Holy Eucharist II 9:30 am Adult Education 9:45 am Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist II  Episcopal Church Women Coffee Hour after the 10:30 service.  12:00 Daughters of the King Training Bag Lunch	16	17	Bible for Dummies Study 6:30 pm.	19	20 Office Closed Rev. Denise Off	21
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29 The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  Youth Sunday  8:00 am Holy Eucharist II  9:30 am Adult Education  9:45 am Children's Sunday School  10:30 am Nursery  10:30 am Holy Eucharist II  11:45 Youth lunch and activities.	Fall Clergy Conference Honey Creek 9/30/19- 10/02/19					

#### **Outreach Opportunity's**

#### **Monthly Outreach Contributions**

Each month we generously donate \$50 to the United Way and to the Salvation Army and \$100 to J.D. Dickerson Backpack Buddies program during the school year. Anyone that wishes to add to any of our monthly donations may do so.

#### Non perishable Food Drive

In need of canned or boxed food items to give to those in need. Bring your food items into the Narthex or Church Office.

**Refuge needs list:** Walmart gift cards, ladies and children pajamas (all sizes), underwear and socks (all sizes), baby diapers (all sizes), personal hygiene items, large plastic storage totes, laundry baskets, white towels and wash cloths, white twin size sheet sets, bath soap, feminine hygiene products, baby needs, cleaning supplies.

**Soaps needs list:** Dry puppy and dog food (Purina or Pedigree), towels and blankets (gently used okay), cleaning products: bleach, paper towels, dawn, leashes & collars-all sizes, Tractor Supply or Walmart gift cards.

#### The Saint Frances Memorial Garden

Believing that all life is sacred and that God honors our love and care for His creatures, the Episcopal Church of the Annunciation dedicates a place on the church grounds for the final resting place for the ashes of beloved companion animals. Personalized engraved pet memorial step stone 7.5" diameter In Loving Memory may be purchased. All monetary donations will go to SOAPS. For more information or to arrange a memorial service, please contact the church office at: 912-537-3776. Please get the word out that this is available to all in our community of Vidalia.

#### Flower and Sanctuary Lamp Charts are posted in the Narthex

Flowers at the altar add such beauty to our worship. We are in need of people to sign up for flowers on Sunday, the cost is \$50. View the Flower Chart in the hall way for available dates. When you sign up for flowers, remember to state "in honor, thanksgiving, or in memory of" and the person's name(s). Make checks payable to Annunciation, earmarked "flowers" indicating your date. Flower Guild Members needed to make flower arrangements for Sundays worship. If interested, contact the Church office.

**Sanctuary Lamps are \$10:** To sponsor, see the Lamp Chart in the church hall way: in honor of, thanksgiving for or in memory of a loved one. Make checks payable to Annunciation, ear marked for "Sanctuary Lamp" indicating your date(s).

#### **Habitat for Humanity Vidalia House Work Day**



The Habitat House at 1200 Roosevelt St. has a need for non-skilled workers to volunteer. Please consider giving a few hours on a Saturday to help a local family and your community. Work usually begins around 8:30 am and lunch is provided by one of the local restaurants. No one is required to do any work that makes them uncomfortable and there are always skilled workers to provide help. In reaching out to help your neighbor, get ready to be blessed!





Fernando Hidalgo

#### Our Parish Prayer List

#### We pray for the safety and security of

The United States of America and especially those serving our country: Sarah Rosser cousin of the Jenkins and Yates families, now serving in the military. Samantha Leamy, Anne Childers daughter serving in the U.S. Air Force.

#### We add to the Prayer List this week

Mitchell Anderson, father of Crystal Anderson, for comfort and healing.

#### We continue Prayers for

Cindy Gicas, for comfort and healing.

Patient Moody, friend of Beverly Thompson, for strength, comfort and healing.

Felicia Adams, friend of Beverly Thompson, for strengt, and comfort.

Essia Howell and daughter Kelly for comfort and God's intervention.

Kelly Benhase, for comfort and healing.

Bishop + Scott Benhase, for comfort and healing.

James Moody, friend of Beverly Thompson, for comfort and healing.

Jayne Brown, friend of Wes Chapman, for healing.

April Edenfield, for comfort and healing.

Fran Williams, for comfort and healing.

Andrea Weisnewski, daughter to Sue Nickl, friend of Jerry & Terry Yates, for comfort and healing.

Nathan Dayan, friend of Wes Chapman, for comfort and healing.

Ken Harris, brother in law to Lisa Moore, for healing.

Wayne McDilda, for healing, friend of Jane Hall.

Sue Nickl, friend of the Yates, for healing and comfort.

#### Prayers for those who suffer with long-term illness

Danny Bowen, brother of Beverly Thompson, for comfort & healing.

Michael Bowen, brother of Beverly Thompson, for comfort & healing.

Latrelle Stockton, for comfort and healing.

Mary Thompson, Chuck Thompson's sister for healing.

Phyllis Bowen, sister-in-law of Beverly Thompson, for healing.

Lisa Moore, for comfort and healing.

Joe Clements, brother in law to Jack Dell, for comfort and healing.

Blanche Reaves, mother of Glenn Reaves, for comfort and healing.

Christopher Bowen, Beverly Thompson's nephew, for healing.

Johanna Derrick, for healing.

Barbee Adams for healing.

Rob Bowen, Beverly Thompson's nephew for comfort and healing.

Ann Bowman, for comfort and healing.

Luke Smith, for comfort and healing.

Angie Laramore, sister in law to Desiree' Rogers, for comfort and healing.

Chuck Thompson, for healing.

Jimmy Gillis, for comfort and healing, and his wife Justine, who is his caregiver.

#### Prayers for those who suffer from age related illnesses, and for the care-givers

Ruth Jenkins, at Oxley Park, for comfort and healing.

Ruth Hopkins, Sherron Threlkeld's mom, for comfort and healing.

Carolyn Sodergren, Margaret Fullam's mom for comfort and healing.

Patton Gillis, and for care-giver, Karen Gillis.

Patricia Gillis, mother of Patrice Jordan and Charles Gillis, for comfort and healing.

Mildred Moore, mother of Lisa Moore for comfort and healing.

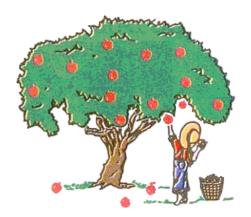
If you know of someone who should be added to this list, or someone who should be removed, please contact the Church office: 537-3776 or theannunciation@bellsouth.net

I . I <u>September Birthdays:</u> Larry Threlkeld 6th; Emily Lowman 24th; Ruth Jenkins 25th;

Shanna Annabelle 27th; Bobby Hamilton 29th.

September Anniversaries: Thom & Jane Hall Williams 4th; Bill & Bettina Linden Glass 10th.







#### Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – June 24, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Hugh Jordan, Jack Dell, Jerry Yates, Rebecca

Miller, Beverly Thompson

Member Absent: Teresa Barrera-Edge

Treasurer Present: Anne Roller; Clerk Present: Beverly Thompson; Deacon Absent: The Reverend

Deacon Burt Derrick

Meeting opened by Rev. Denise with prayer. Study of Acts 13 was completed.

Vestry meeting minutes for May, 2019 were reviewed; Jack moved to approve minutes as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hugh, motion passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: (Anne) May, 2019 Financial Report was reviewed. Hugh moved to approve the report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rebecca, motion passed. Anne shared that funds from the Ameris Money Market Account are being transferred when needed to the General Fund. When the Money Market account is depleted or down to a minimal amount, Anne will need direction on which account to draw funds from — either the Bank of America Church Corp Fund or the State Street Global Max and Christie Manry Fund. This may be needed in October. Fidelity forms were mailed on June 18; this is an account used to handle stock donations. \$1100 for new hot water heater purchase for office building will be paid out of the General Fund - Building Maintenance. Rev. Denise stated that Christie Roller requests that the Vestry develop a written policy that addresses the Church Insurance Agency's recommendations regarding handling of deposit records and deposits.

#### **Business:**

Jack moved that both the Bank of America Church Corp investment fund and the State Street Global Max and Christie Manry investment fund be looked at regarding guidelines and restrictions, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry, motion passed. Information regarding these two accounts will be presented at August Vestry meeting. Rev. Denise will review and present guidelines/restrictions regarding the State Street Global Manry Fund; Anne will review and present guidelines/restrictions regarding the BOA Church Corp fund.

<u>Senior Warden's Report</u>: (Hugh) Nomination committee for two new Vestry members to be elected at Annual Meeting in 2020 will meet and develop a list of potential nominees by August meeting.

<u>Junior Warden's Report</u>: (Jack) The HVAC fan motor has arrived. Alexander Brothers will replace the fan motor in one of the air handlers this week. Lynette Dell will prepare dinner for Vestry members at the Dell's on Saturday at 6 pm; spouses are invited. Report on Safety Status – First Aid Kits, Smoke Detectors, and Fire Extinguishers are now located in each building. Jack sold the organ pipes at recycling center for \$106. The irrigation control box has been regulated and broken pipes in the irrigation system are fixed.

<u>Deacon's Report</u>: Dcn. Burt absent due to work.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) The Episcopal Safety Program Survey results for Annunciation are being addressed. First Aid Kit locations will be regularly announced. Rev. Denise has spoken with leaders of Girl Scout Troop that meets at Annunciation; troop is not meeting this summer but will address the "hold harmless agreement" recommendation when school starts and meetings resume. Recommendation by Church Insurance Agency concerning handling of deposit records and deposits will be discussed at Vestry Retreat on Saturday, June 29, with the plan of developing a written policy. Dennis Ingley has asked about the need for a sign at the Cheney Drive entrance to Annunciation; Vestry agrees that this is a good idea. Youth Sunday will be Sunday, June 30 with lunch and program at noon. Rev. Denise will be on vacation from July 15 to 26. Rebecca Miller will lead Morning Prayer with Sermon at 8 am and 10:30 am services on Sunday, July 21. ECW Coffee Hour will be held on Sunday, July 21 after 10:30 am service. Our youth are participating in the County Wide Back to School Bash on Saturday, July 27, 9 am – 11 am at Southeastern Technical College; youth will be giving out bottles of water. We are collecting bottles of water and school supplies/backpacks. School supplies and backpacks will be blessed at 10:30 am service on August 4. Welcoming Event for new members will be held in the Fall. Data Dash will be pursued again when committee members are back in town. Next Vestry meeting will be held Monday, August 26 at 6 pm; there will be no Vestry meeting in July.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered.

Meeting adjourned with Lord's Prayer.

Beverly Thompson, Clerk for the Vestry





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#### SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

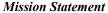
8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:30 am-10:15 am Adult Christian Education

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

9:45 am-10:15 am Children Aged 2-9 Christian Education (Sunday School Room, Office Bldg)

Nursery offered to small children during 10:30 a.m. service (Nursery room, Office Bldg)



Mindful of God's call to be His people, we, the parishioners of The Episcopal Church of the Annunciation, accept as our mission the growth and nurture of relationships with God, each other, and the community.

#### Vision Statement

Through our faith in God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, we hope, pray, and work to share Christ's love and to make a positive difference in the lives of each other, our community, and the world.

#### SEPTEMBER 2019 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
September 1	Donnie Alderman	No Eucharist	Youth	No Eucharist
September 8	Zack Fowler	Rebecca Miller	Bill Martinez	Jack Dell
September 15	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Harry Moses
September 22	Zack Fowler	Rebecca Miller	Christina Storkamp	Matt Norton
September 29	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Youth	Beverly Thompson

	Altar Guild	Greeters/ Bread/Wine	Cross Bearer/Acolyte	Alms
September 1	Anne Fowler	Christina Storkamp	Youth	
September 8	Lynette Dell	John & Christie Roller	Youth	John Roller
September 15	Susan Threlkeld	Larry & Susan Threlkeld	Youth	Jack Dell
September 22	Anne Roller	Jack & Lynette Dell	Youth	Hugh Jordan
September 29	Christie Roller	Fernando Hidalgo	Youth	Jerry Yates

	Special Reception Coffee or LUNCH		
September 1			
September 8			
September 15	Episcopal Church Women Coffee Hour		
September 22			
September 29	Youth Sunday, lunch and activities.		

