

Our Parish Life





January 2020 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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OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH LIFE

Non Perishable Food Needed.

Bring your items into the Church office or Narthex.

Please wear your name tags on Sunday Morning.

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

Bible Study for Dummies

Wednesday, January 8, 15, 22 & 29, 6:00 pm.

Epiphany Party

Sunday, January 5, 6:00 –8:00 pm at Jack & Lynette Dell's home: 1307 Forest Hill Circle, Vidalia.

Everyone is invited. Please bring an hors d oeuvres.

The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ Holy Eucharist Monday, January 6, 6:00 pm.

Holy Baptism

Sunday, January 12, 10:30 am for Gabriel Figuaro, Jesus Hernandez Jr. and Jackeline Figuaro Hernandez. Reception following service.

Vestry Meeting

Monday, January 20, 6:00 pm.

Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 26,12:00 noon, lunch provided before meeting.



Hope you enjoy this short Christmas story written by Dr. Ralph F. Wilson as much as I have.



The Innkeeper's Tale

They think I'm some kind of cruel, heartless landlord. Someone must have told them that. But they're wrong, just plain wrong, and it's time to set the record straight, once and for all. People say I'm an innkeeper. I suppose you'd call it an inn. To us it's just a big house. My grandfather, Joshua ben-Yahoudi, built it back when his trading business was at a peak. And he built it big enough to fit all fourteen kids.

Well, a few years ago, the missus and I were just rattling around in that big house--kids grown up and all-and we were thinking, maybe we could take in a few travelers. Rachel has always been mighty good in the kitchen, so we just let out word that we'd take people in, and they started to come. Every night we'd have a person or two, sometimes more. People would always come back when they came to town again, intent on another bowl of Rachel's lamb stew.

Then came that blankety-blank census the governor thought up. Taxation, pure and simple! People from all over the province flooded into town that week. Filled us clean up. Rachel and I slept in the main room where we always do, and we started putting guests in the other three rooms. They kept coming. Then we doubled up two or three families to a room. They kept coming. Finally, when we had filled the main room with four families plus Rachel and me, we started turning people away.

I must have gotten in and out of bed ten times that night, stumbling over bodies to get to the door. "No more room, sorry folks. No more room. Come back in the morning. We have a couple of families leaving then." They'd mutter something and head back to their party, and sleep somewhere next to a house under the shelter of a blanket. I just couldn't make any more room. That's the honest truth.

But I did make room for one more couple. Joseph was a burly man with big arms and strong hands, down from Nazareth, I think he said. He wouldn't take "no" for an answer. I would say, "No, I'm sorry," and he'd tell me about his "little Mary." Well, when I saw "little Mary" she wasn't very little. She was just about as pregnant as a woman can get, and awfully pale. While Joseph was pleading, I saw her grab her tummy in pain, and I knew I couldn't let her have that baby outside in the wind and sleet.

The barn. That would just have to do, I told myself, and led them and their donkey out back. Now it was pretty crowded, so I shooed several animals into the pen outside to make room in one dry corner. Joseph said, "We sure are grateful, sir." Then with a serious look, he asked me, "Do you know where I can find a midwife in these parts? We might need her tomorrow or the next day."

That man didn't know much about having babies, it was plain enough to see. I ran to Aunt Sarah's house and pounded on the door until her husband came. "One of the travelers is having a baby," I told him. "I'll wait while Aunt Sarah gets dressed."

I stopped a moment to catch my breath. "And tell her to hurry." By the time we got back to the barn, Joseph had "little Mary" settled on some soft, clean hay, wrapped up in a blanket, wiping the perspiration off her brow, and was speaking softly to her as she fought the waves of pain. Aunt Sarah sent me to get my Rachel, and then pushed Joseph and me out of the barn. "This ain't no place for men," she said.

We waited just outside in the shelter of the barn for hours, it seemed like. Well, all of a sudden, we hear a little cry. "You've got a baby boy," Aunt Sarah was saying as we peeped around the corner. She hands the young-un to Rachel, and she wraps it up in those swaddling bands she had saved. Cute little thing, I tell you.

Well, Joseph goes over to Mary and gives her a big hug, and a kiss on the cheek, and Rachel hands Mary the baby, and then comes over to me and takes my hand. "Remember when our Joshua was born?" she whispers.

The lantern was blowing almost out, the cattle were lowing softly, and baby Jesus was asleep in his mother's arms. That's how I left them as I walked Aunt Sarah home. Chilly wind, though the sleet had stopped. By the time I got back, Rachel was in bed, and I was about ready to put out the light, step over sleeping bodies, and get under the warm covers, when I heard some murmuring out by the barn.

I'd better check, I told myself. When I peeped in, I saw shepherds. Raggedy, smelly old shepherds were kneeling down on the filthy barn floor as if they were praying. The oldest one was saying something to Joseph about angels and the Messiah. And the rest of them just knelt there with their heads bowed, some with tears running down their faces.

I coughed out loud, and Joseph looked up. I was almost ready to run those thieving shepherds off, when Joseph motioned to me with his hand. "It's okay," he whispered. "They've come to see the Christ-baby."

The Christ-baby? The Messiah? That was when I knelt, too. And watched, and prayed, and listened to the old shepherd recount his story of angels and heavenly glory, and the sign of a holy baby, wrapped in swaddling bands, to be found in a stable-manger.

My Lord, it was my stable where the Christ-baby was born. My manger he rested in. My straw, my lamp, my wife Rachel assisting at his birth. The shepherds left after a while. Some of them leaned over and kissed the sleeping Christ-child before they departed. I know I did.

I'll always be glad I made room in the barn for that family-- that holy family. You see, I'm not some mean inn-keeper. I was there. I saw him. And, you know, years later that boy came back to Bethlehem, this time telling about the Kingdom of God. Oh, I believe in him, I tell you. I was there. And, mark my words, if you'd seen what I've seen, you'd be a believer, too.

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Epiphany Party



6:00 –8:00 pm at Jack & Lynette Dell"s home: 1307 Forest Hill Circle, Vidalia. Everyone is invited. Please bring an hors d oeuvres.

The Season of Epiphany

Epiphany is a Greek word meaning "manifestation, showing forth, revelation. The season of Epiphany is a season of four to nine weeks, from the Feast of the Epiphany (January 6) through the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. The number of weeks in the season varies according to the date of Easter. This year there are seven Sunday's in the Epiphany season. Epiphany proclaims that in Jesus, God is revealed to all people—not just a select few, but to all people, in all places, and throughout all time.

On Epiphany and the weeks that follow, the gospels will present a series of occasions at which Jesus was revealed to be God's son. The coming of the Magi is celebrated on the Epiphany. The Baptism of our Lord is observed on the Sunday after Epiphany. The gospels for the other Sundays of the Epiphany season describe the wedding at Cana, the calling of the disciples, and various miracles and teachings of Jesus. The Last Sunday after the Epiphany is always devoted to the Transfiguration. Jesus' identity as the Son of God is dramatically revealed in the Transfiguration gospel, as well as the gospel of the baptism of Christ.

One of the primary themes of Epiphany is the celebration of Christ as the light that has come into the world. "Arise, shine; for your light has come,

and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you...

Nations shall come to your light,

and kings to the brightness of your dawn...

They shall being gold and frankincense,

and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord. (Isaiah 60:1,3,6)

"May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord" (*The Book of Occasional Services*).

May this be our prayer and desire, as we travel the Season of Epiphany.



Annual Meeting Sunday, January 26

Lunch will be provided.

Nominations for Vestry 2020

The Annual Meeting is an important moment in the life of an Episcopal Church. As a denomination, we are governed by our members. Members are those 16 and older who have been baptized or confirmed in the Episcopal Church. If baptism or confirmation did not happen at Annunciation then, a Letter of Transfer from another Episcopal Church is needed. At the Annual Meeting we make important decisions together. We elect members of our vestry. Vestry members are representatives of the parish with specific responsibilities by the canons of The Episcopal Church. They share leadership responsibilities with the rector. Also, during the annual meeting, the parish receives reports from ministries, the treasurer, and a "State of the Church" report from the rector.

Dorsey McMichael,

I have been a lifelong member of our Church. I was Christened as a baby here. I have participated in quite a few Nativity plays through the years. I was confirmed here as a teenager and completed some missionary work in Central America around that time. As an adult, my participation has been fairly limited, but I have tried to contribute to our annual rummage sales and also to some of our community outreach programs. By joining the Vestry, I would be in a position to do much more. All of the congregants and leaders of our Church have supported me throughout the course of my life and I am eager to give back to them and to God.

Matthew Storkamp

I am Matthew Storkamp I was born in Fort Bragg, NC on 31 July 1982. I am the son of a Retired Master Sergeant and homemaker who were devoted Catholics. Born and raised in the Catholic Church, I was baptized shortly after birth, and spent much of my early schooling in our Church. In 1989, Me and my family moved to Germany where I became more involved with the church, performing various activities like alter server, choir and his First Communion. In 1994 my family and I returned to Fayetteville, and I continued being actively involved with alter server and choir and was also Confirmed into the Catholic Church. After High School graduation, I joined the US Navy and moved to Charleston, SC for schooling where I met my wife Christina; we have been married for seventeen years in January. We have two daughters Madison (10) and Grace (4). Having a family now, I want to show them why and how they should be active in not only their faith but their church. During my time in the Navy, I served as Eucharistic minister for the submarine, and I immensely enjoyed giving my time. In 2011, we moved to Vidalia so I could start my new career at Plant Hatch in Baxley. We first found The Annunciation Church when my youngest started the mom's morning out program, and we have been members of the church for two years come Easter. We have fallen in love with our new church and all the members. I look forward to working on the vestry and getting to know you all more!

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The Christmas Flowers are given to the Glory of God by...

Christina & Matthew Storkamp & family, in Memory of Christina's mom, Janice Harper.

Jackie & Harry Moses, in Memory of Harry & Carolyn Moses & Jack & Margaret Mosley.

Larry & Susan Threlkeld, in Memory of our Parents; and in Thanksgiving for our Children & Grandchildren.

The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn, in Memory of family and in Thanksgiving for family.

Ann Bowman, in Memory of my Mother, Father, Sister and all loving Family and friends and in Thanksgiving for my daughters, sons, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Fernando & Karen Hidalgo, in Memory of loved ones; and in Thanksgiving for family, friends, our children & grandchildren & Church.

Curt & Dorsey McMichael, in Memory of Barb Cooper.

Twalla Haley, In Memory of Louise & Hollis & Doye Truesdell, and in Thanksgiving for the Love & Grace & Forgiveness of Jesus the Christ.

Hughes & Sherron Threlkeld, in Thanksgiving for Family & Friends.

Chuck & Beverly Thompson, in Thanksgiving for the children of Annunciation.

The Martinez Family, in Memory of Bill & Debbie Martinez.

Jerry & Terry Yates, in Memory of Buddy Jenkins, Ruth Jenkins & Keith Yates and in Thanksgiving for Sara & Dan Rossmann & all our families.





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.

Thank you...

Thank you with love dear Annunciation family for the generous Christmas gift. It is a pleasure to continue to serve our Lord with you.

Blessings+ Denise

Thank you Annunciation for the generous Christmas gift. Love and Blessings from: Karen Hidalgo & Glenn Reaves

Thank you.....

Cookie Walk & Bake Sale

Thank you everyone that participated in our Cookie Walk & Bake Sale. Many yummy treats were donated and the funds from the sale of these tasty treasures will help send our youth to camp this year.



Angel Tree

Thank you to everyone that donated gifts to all our children on the Angel Tree this year. I know we made many children happy at Christmas.



Thank you to every one that participated in the Reverse Advent Calendar Food Drive for our food pantry and to Christina Storkamp and her family for hosting the December 22 Sunday Coffee Hour.

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift to the ministry of Samaritan's Purse.

During the Christmas season, many of us exchange gifts with our family and friends. I am thankful that you have also chosen to make a gift to Samaritan's Purse. Through your Support for this ministry, you are helping our teams around the world reach people with food, water, education, healthcare and other necessities. Most importantly, we are sharing the Good of salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for being an important part of this work, and for helping us proclaim "that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son" (1John 5:11). May God bless you richly.

Sincerely, Franklin Graham

Dear Episcopal Church of the Annunciation,

Thank you for teaming up with FCA. Your donation is deeply appreciated, and the impact of your gift will last a lifetime. We hope you will continue to partner with us as we pursue our vision "to see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes." May God bless you as you follow Him.

Your Teammate, Shane Williamson, President/CEO

Outreach Opportunity's

Little Free Library

Is a nonprofit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world. Through Little Free Library book exchanges, millions of books are exchanged each year, profoundly increasing access to books for readers of all ages.

Victoria Bausch and her son, Anderson decided to build a Little Free Library after her mother died, in memory of her love to read to them. We are very fortunate that Victoria and Anderson wanted to place their Little Free Library on our church grounds. It is located to the left of the main driveway as you enter the church grounds and it is filled with books. Please get the word out so others may know the joy of reading.

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.

<u>Sanctuary Lamps are \$10:</u> 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

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!



January 2020

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Happy New Year!			1 New Year's Day! Office Closed	2	3 Office Closed The Very Rev. Denise Off	4
5 The Second Sunday after Christmas Day 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 Epiphany Party 6:00-8:00 pm Jack & Lynette Dell's Home.	6 The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm.	7	Bible Study for Dummies 6:00 pm.	9	Office Closed The Very Rev. Denise Off	11
12 The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ 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 with Holy Baptism Reception to follow.	13	14	Bible Study for Dummies 6:00 pm.	16	Office Closed The Very Rev. Denise Off	18
19 The Second Sunday after the Epiphany 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	Vestry Meeting 6:00 pm.	21	Bible Study for Dummies 6:00 pm.	23	Office Closed The Very Rev. Denise Off	25
26 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany 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 Annual Meeting 12:00 noon. Lunch provided before meeting.	27	28	Bible Study for Dummies 6:00 pm.	30	Office Closed The Very Rev. Denise Off	

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.

Missionaries: Dennis & Donna Reed in Malawi, Africa.

We add to the Prayer List this week

We continue Prayers for

Ann Smith, wife of Luke Smith, for comfort.

Linda McDilda, friend of Beverly Thompson & Jane Hall for comfort and healing.

Anne Fowler, for comfort and healing.

Jack & Pat Childers, for comfort and healing.

Felicia Adams, friend of Beverly Thompson, for strength 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.

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.

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

Wayne McDilda, for healing, friend of Jane Hall and Beverly Thompson.

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.

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

Chuck Thompson, for healing.

Cindy Gicas, for comfort and 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

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.

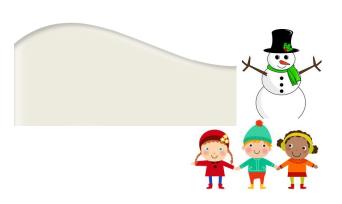
If you know of someone who should be added to this list, or someone who should be removed, please contact the Church office: 537-3776 or theannunciation@bellsouth.net

January Birthdays: Matthew Norton 2nd; Charlie Jordan 3rd; John Ladson 4th; Ilsa Figuaro 9th; David Rice 19th; Ginny Threlkeld 19th; Madison Storkamp 21st; Frank Champion 27th; Mary Margaret Barbee 30th; Alex Logan 30th.

January Anniversaries: Matthew & Christina Storkamp 4th.









Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – November 18, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Hugh Jordan, Jack Dell, Beverly Thompson, Rebecca Miller, Teresa Barrera-Edge, Jerry Yates

Treasurer Present: Anne Roller; Clerk Present: Beverly Thompson; Deacon Absent: Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick

Meeting opened by Rev. Denise with prayer. Study of Acts 16 was completed.

Vestry meeting minutes for October 2019 were reviewed; Jack moved to approve minutes with two corrections, 2nd by Rebecca, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: (Anne) The October 2019 Financial Report was reviewed. Budget deficit continues. Rebecca moved to approve October 2019 Financial Report, 2nd by Jerry, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Hugh) Pledge Card Sunday will be November 24th.

Junior Warden's Report: (Jack) Clean-up day will possibly be on 12/7/2019 for our youth to finish painting job on outside of church building. Greening of the church is planned for 12/22/2019 after 10:30 service with possible dusting also completed. Two trees will be put up before 12/22; Jack will get the trees from The Garden Shop and put them up prior to 12/22.

Deacon's Report: Rev. Dcn. Burt is absent due to work.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) We welcome new members Tom and Betty Jo Sadler and their dog, Mydia. Sunday Collection Procedures have been fine-tuned. On 11/26/2019, someone will come from McClain-Calhoun to train Karen Hidalgo, Financial Secretary, on QuickBooks. New Treasurer, Frank Champion, will possibly be trained at a later date. Cursillo Day of Deeper Understanding will be held at our Parish Hall on Saturday, 11/23 from 10 am to 4 pm. Rev. Denise will take vacation on November 25-30 to visit her family in Florida. Angel Tree will be up on Sunday, December 1. Advent Wreaths for parishioners can be picked up on 12/1 which is the first Sunday in Advent. Stewardship Appreciation Luncheon is planned for Sunday, 12/8 at noon. ECW Cookie Walk to benefit Youth to Camp will be after 10:30 am service on 12/15. Vestry Meeting will be held on December 16th at 6 pm. ECW Coffee Hour will be December 22, sponsored by the Storkamp Family. Christmas Eve Candlelight Services will be held on 12/24 at 6 pm and 10:30 pm. The King's College Festival of Carols will be on 12/29 at the 10:30 am service; no 8 am service will be held on 12/29.

Business:

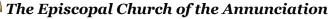
- 1. On behalf of the nomination committee, Hugh Jordan presented the names of two nominees, Dorsey McMichael and Matt Storkamp, who would each serve a three-year term on the Vestry, beginning in 2020. Both Dorsey and Matt have agreed to be nominated and will be presented for election at our Annual
- Meeting in January or February, 2020. When elected, these nominees will replace Beverly Thompson and Hugh Jordan, who will roll off the Vestry.
- 2. Counters for December were assigned.
- 3. Highlights of Diocesan Convention were presented; Rev. Canon Frank Logue was elected as our Bishop Elect and will begin service as our Bishop in June, 2020.
- 4. A farewell party for Bishop Scott Benhase is planned for 4/17/2019 in Savannah. A gift of appreciation from Annunciation will be presented to Bishop Benhase when he visits Annunciation on 5/3/2019. Rebecca moved that pavers at Honey Creek be purchased in his honor in the amount of \$500, 2nd by Jerry, motion passed. Funds for this may come through our ECW, Rector's Discretionary Fund, and/or the Flower Guild. Other individual donations in honor of Bishop Benhase may be made by parishioners to the Diocese to pay down the cost of Bishop Benhase's vehicle, or to purchase additional pavers at Honey Creek in his honor.
- 5. Discussion of appreciation gifts for our outgoing committee heads is tabled until December Vestry meeting.
- 6. Jack presented recommendations from the committee regarding raises for our rector and our secretary. Rebecca moved to approve the 4% recommended raise for our secretary, 2nd by Jerry, motion passed. Jerry moved to approve the 5% recommended raise for our Rector, 2nd by Hugh, motion passed. Consideration of raise for our custodian is tabled until December Vestry meeting.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered.

Meeting adjourned with Lord's Prayer at 7:30 pm.

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)

Mission Statement

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.

JANUARY 2020 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
January 5	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Matthew Storkamp
January 12	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Victoria Bausch	Jack Dell
January 19	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Bill Martinez	Harry Moses
January 26	Rebecca Miller	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Beverly Thompson

	Altar Guild	Greeters/ Bread/Wine	Cross Bearer/Acolyte	Alms
January 5	Christie Roller	Teresa Edge/Fernando Hidalgo	Youth	Jack Dell
January 12	Jackie Moses	Danielle Turoski/Layla & Miah	Youth	Hugh Jordan
January 19	Lynette Dell	Larry & Susan Threlkeld	Youth	Jerry Yates
January 26	Susan Threlkeld	Jack & Lynette Dell	Youth	Harry Moses

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counters
January 5		Beverly Thompson / Victoria Bausch
January 12	Baptism Reception after 10:30 service	Jack Dell / Carol Rice
January 19		Teresa Barrera Edge / Jackie Moses
January 26	Annual Meeting Lunch after 10:30 service	Jerry Yates / Jane Hall