

## Our Parish Life March 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

1512 Meadows Lane, Vidalia, GA 30474 (Cheney Dr. at Meadows Lane) Mail to: P.D. Box 1311, Vidalia, GA 30475

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Office Phone: 912-537-3776 Office Fax: 912-537-0608

Email: theannunciation@bellsouth.net
Web site: www.annunciationvidalia.org
Facebook Fan Page—Click LIKE
http://www.facebook.com/AnnunciationEpiscopal-Church-Vidalia-GA

The Most Rev. Michael Curry Presiding Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Scott A. Benhase Bishop, The Diocese of Georgia

The Rev. Canon Frank Logue Bishop Elect of the Diocese of Georgia

The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn Rector, Annunciation

The Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick Deacon

Frank Champion, *Treasurer*Jen Martinez, *ECW President*Karen Hidalgo, *Church Secretary*Beverly Thompson. *Clerk to the Vestry*, 2020

#### 2020 Vestry Members

Rebecca Miller, Sr. Warden	403-7531
Jack Dell, Jr. Warden	538-7731
Jerry Yates	293-1956
Teresa Barrera-Edge	254-253-0298
Dorsey McMichael	770-598-5212
Matthew Storkamp	585-7375

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 Church office or Narthex.

Please wear your name tags on Sunday Morning.

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

Daughters of the King Study, Sunday, March 1, 12:00 pm.

**Vacation Bible School Meeting** 

Wednesday, March 4, 5:00 pm in the office. If you are interested in helping to plan VBS, please come.

Lenten Study: A Spring in the Desert

By Frank (Bishop-Elect) & Victoria Logue Wednesday, March 4, 11, 18, 25, & April 1, 6:00 pm Soup & Bread Supper. More information about Study on page 3.

Daylight Savings Time, Spring Forward, Sunday, March 8.

**Episcopal Church Women Coffee Hour** 

Sunday, March 8, after the 10:30 service.

**Acolyte Training,** Sunday, March 8, at 12:00 pm, lunch provided

St. Patrick's Day Covered Dish

Sunday, March 15, at 11:45, in the Parrish Hall. Bring a dish to share, Irish (green) or not!

Vestry Meeting, Monday, March 23, 5:30 pm.

Youth Sunday March 29th

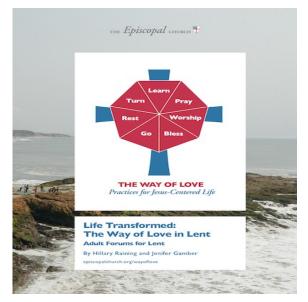
Youth gathering and lunch, 11:45 am in the Parrish Hall.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Join the Rev. Dr. Hillary Raining, rector of St. Christopher's Episcopal Church in Gladwyne, Penn., as she introduces weekly lessons from Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent.



Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent

The journey through Lent into Easter is a journey with Jesus. We are baptized into his life, self-giving, and death; then, we rise in hope to life transformed. This Lent, communities are invited to walk with Jesus in his Way of Love and into the experience of transformed life. Together, we will reflect anew on the loving actions of God as recounted in the Easter Vigil readings. Together, we will walk through the depths of salvation history into the fullness of redemption.

#### **Adult Forum Curriculum**

This set of seven Adult Forums ties the Easter Vigil readings to the seven practices of the Way of Love. Drawing on the ancient practice of setting aside Lent as a period of study and preparation for living as a Christian disciple (known as the catechumenate), the forums encourage participants to reflect on salvation history; walk toward the empty tomb; and embrace the transforming reality of love, life, and liberation. As we stand with the three women at the empty tomb, we hear his call to go and live that transformed reality. These eight videos- one for each of the Life Transformed sessions and an introduction can be found at <a href="https://episcopalchurch.org/life-transformed">https://episcopalchurch.org/life-transformed</a>

- Session One / TURN: Dead to Sin, Alive in Christ (Romans 6:3-11)
- Session Two / PRAY: Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea (Exodus 14:10-15:1)
- Session Three / LEARN: Learn Wisdom and Live (Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6)
- Session Four / BLESS: A New Heart and a New Spirit (Ezekiel 36:24-28)
- Session Five / REST: The Valley of Dry Bones (Ezekiel 37:1-14)
- **Session Six / WORSHIP:** The Gathering of God's People (Zephaniah 3:12-20)
- Session Seven / GO: The Empty Tomb (Luke 24:1-12)

This Lent, I pray you will make an intentional commitment to follow Jesus in the Way of Love: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest.

With the Love of Christ, Denise+

Lenten Study A Spring in the Desert by Frank & Victoria Logue Wednesday, March 4, 11, 18, 25 & April 1 6:00 pm with Soup & Bread Dinner

#### About A Spring in the Desert

The Diocese of Georgia's bishop-elect Frank and his wife, Victoria, offer a Lenten journey inspired by the many passages of scripture that use images of water in the desert as a sign of the healing and wholeness that come through God alone. To this they add the distilled wisdom of the Desert Mothers and Fathers and the surprisingly rich inspiration of the plants and animals that thrive in an arid land. Along the way, they will share the ways our faith speaks to the barren places in our lives and how those times of drought can be a



source of strength. In addition to the books, the Logue's created a series of 20 online videos which are 5-6 minutes long to be watched by a group and discussed. There are four videos each for the five weeks from the week after Ash Wednesday through the week before Holy Week.

Sign-up sheets and books are in the Narthex cost is \$6.00.



## **Lent Madness Began February 27!**

Want to be inspired by some saintly souls this Lent and have fun along the way? Join with thousands of Christians across denominations who have discovered the joyful online learning community that is Lent Madness.

Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenck who was seeking a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women comprising the Church's Calendar of Saints. The format is straightforward: 32 saints are placed into a tournament-like single elimination bracket. Each pairing remains open for a set period of time and people vote for their favorite saint. 16 saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo. The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Things get a bit more interesting in the subsequent rounds as we offer quotes and quirks, explore legends, and even move into the area of saintly kitsch. As Lent Madness continues to grow and evolve, what won't change is the essence of Lent Madness: allowing people to get to know some amazing people who have come before us in the faith and reminding one another that there's no reason for a dreary Lenten discipline. If this helps people connect with the risen Christ during this season of penitence and renewal, and have a bit of fun in the process, then it continues to be worthwhile.

Here's how to participate: on the weekdays of Lent, information is posted at <u>www.lentmadness.org</u> about two different saints. Read about them and then vote to determine which saint moves on to the next round. We hope you'll participate fully this Lent and vote with reckless abandon! **Pick-up a Lenten score card in the Narthex**.

## Taking the Fork in the Road

Written by Bishop Scott Benhase for Lent

**January 16, 2020** 

eCrozier #448

When you come to the fork in the road, take it. - Yogi Berra

This well-known "Yogi-ism" at first blush might seem to be just another of his famous malapropisms, like "it's déjà vu all over again." But like with a lot of things, if we take the time to learn and maybe to suspend judgment, we might arrive at a different conclusion. You see, Mr. Berra lived in a large house on a hill in suburban New Jersey. The house's driveway wound up the hill and at the top, it forked. But the fork was actually a circle and both directions led to the same end – the house's front door. So, when Mr. Berra told guests, "when you come to the fork in the road, take it" he was accurately telling them how to get to his front door. What might have seemed at first misleading is actually a clear direction.

One of the most vexing moral issues in America today is access to quality, affordable health care. Morally speaking, such health care is a human right. Receiving quality health care shouldn't be contingent on someone's bank balance. Now we can debate the best way to accomplish this, but quality health care is a human right, at least for those of us who follow Jesus. Right now, over 36 million of our fellow citizens either don't have any health care insurance or they live in a part of the country where access to quality care is poor. This problem in Georgia is rapidly growing as we see rural, county hospitals closing. When people do get to a doctor and need medicine, millions don't have the funds to pay for these medications. And yet, even for those who can afford to pay or who have insurance, our health care costs are still far higher than other developed countries. Princeton University economists Anne Case & Angus Deaton determined we pay \$8,000/person/year more than Switzerland, the next most expensive, but the Swiss have better health outcomes and longer life expectancy. As Ms. Case said: "We can brag we have the most expensive health care. We can also now brag that it delivers the worst health of any rich country."

Added to this access and affordability problem, many people are now swimming in medical debt. Medical debt destroys people's financial stability, many of whom are the most vulnerable: the sick, the elderly, the poor, and disabled veterans. It also effects the middle class, driving many families into poverty. Medical debt isn't the result of bad decisions. People have to incur it in order to pay for their needed health care.

Smarter people than I must figure out how to solve this, but we've come to the fork in the road of access to quality, affordable health care. We just need to take it by learning what it means to be a civilized, compassionate society. Until we solve the accessibility and affordability problem, we can do something now to help relieve people of their debt burden. A non-profit group called *RIP Medical Debt* ripmedicaldebt.org helps donors, like churches, wipe away the burdensome debt for many people by buying up that debt for pennies on the dollar. They've done so to the tune of over \$1 Billion so far. I invite the parishes of the Diocese to do this as part of their Lenten discipline this year. After all, God's forgiveness of our debt is at the heart of Lent.

#### SHORT HISTORY



The person who was to become St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was born in Wales about 385.

In 432, it is said that he was called back to Ireland to Christianize the Irish from their native polytheism. Irish folklore tells that one of his teaching methods included using the shamrock to explain the Christian doctrine of the Trinity to the Irish people. After nearly thirty years of evangelism, he died on 17th March 461, and according to tradition, was buried at Downpatrick.

## St. Patrick's Day Potluck Sunday, March 15, 11:45 in the Parrish Hall

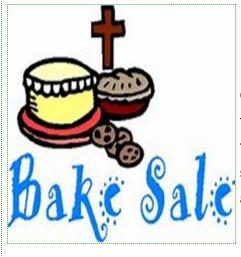
Bring a dish to pass, Irish (green) or not!



#### **Congratulations!**

Baptism of Allison Maxine Champion February 2, 2020.





## Palm Sunday Bake Sale April 5th Youth To Camp Fundraiser

On Palm Sunday, the youth will be selling all kinds of baked goods to help fund camp at Honey Creek this summer. There are two ways to help our kids go to camp- bring baked goods to sell and purchase some of their delicious baked goods to take home. Monetary donations are always accepted also.

#### Welcome!



Annunciation's newest little member! Seth Wyatt Denmark! Seth was born, February 7, 2020 6 lbs and 5 oz. to Shanna Edge. He is the grandson of Len and Teresa Edge.



### The Bishop is coming to Annunciation on Sunday, May 3, 2020.

Bishop Scott Benhase will make his final visit to Annunciation for Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation of Vows. Confirmation provides one full membership into the Episcopal Church. It is also required if one wishes to vote in a parish election, serve on a Vestry, or represent the parish at Diocesan Council. If you would like to be confirmed, or received into the Episcopal Church, or are new to the Episcopal Church and would like to know more about the Episcopal Church, please let Rev. Denise know or call the office at 912-537-3776.

#### **Confirmation and Reception in the Episcopal Church**

Those baptized in another denomination will want to receive *Confirmation* into the Episcopal Church. Those confirmed already in other Christian denominations by a bishop in apostolic succession (Roman Catholic, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, or Eastern Orthodox) who wish to be received into the Episcopal Church, will want to receive *Reception*. Both rites involve the laying on of hands and prayers by our bishop.

### **Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows**

Those baptized or confirmed in the Episcopal Church who would like to re-commit themselves to the life of faith may also choose to reaffirm their baptismal covenant with the laying on of hands by the Bishop.

## Bishop-Elect's Ordination No Tickets Needed to Attend

The planned May 30th liturgy for the ordination and consecration of the 11th Bishop of Georgia will be open to all who wish to attend. The diocesan staff has received calls and emails with people wanting to know how to get tickets for this event, so we wanted to clarify that no ticket or RSVP is needed. The Johnny Mercer Theater at the Savannah Civic Center has enough seating that we need not use tickets or any other system to keep down the number attending. The liturgy will begin promptly at 11 AM. The service is expected to end by 1:30 PM and a reception with the new bishop will

follow in the hallway outside the theater. Likewise, no tickets are needed for the May 31st Eucharist in Forsyth Park, Savannah (shown at right). Presiding Bishop Michael Curry will preach, with the newly ordained bishop celebrating the Eucharist. This liturgy will begin promptly at 11 AM, but choirs will begin singing at 10:30 AM for those arriving for the service. We will be on the grass in the park and seats will not be provided. As with concerts and other events at this venue, participants will need to bring their own chairs. There will be plenty of room and we encourage you to invite friends, family, and co-workers who might want to come to the Savannah for the memorable open air worship service. Food trucks will be on hand for those looking for an easy place to get a good lunch after the service.



# JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION HONORING BISHOP BENHASE AND KELLY BENHASE

April 17, 2020 Drop in 6pm-9pm

The Starland Yard 2411 DeSoto Ave, Savannah GA

### **Bishop Benhase's Retirement Party**

Join us on Friday, April 17th for a celebration honoring Bishop Benhase and Kelly Benhase. The Starland Yard is a food truck park in the historic Starland District of Savannah with rotating food trucks, a pizzeria, and yard games. This is a self-funded event. Please let us know you are coming call 912-236-4279.

Parking is free but limited in the Starland neighborhood, so please plan to carpool or Uber/Lyft if you are able. Everyone is invited!!

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

As you know, we in the Diocese of Georgia are in transition. We are celebrating ten years of dedicated and productive leadership of our current bishop, the Rt. Rev. Scott Benhase, and are looking forward to the episcopate of his successor, the soon-to-be Bishop Logue. Our diocese is strong; therefore, this is a time of great joy and anticipation. Importantly, we have remained strong while so many Christian groups are suffering declines. We owe much to Bishop Benhase and his faithful canon, soon-to-be Bishop Logue.

Individual contributions in the Bishop's honor are appropriate and appreciated for the purpose of reducing the Honey Creek debt and/or funding of the Deaconess Alexander Center for Racial Reconciliation and Healing. On behalf of the Standing Committee of the diocese, I do urge you to consider giving in honor of Bishop Benhase for these worthy causes. These gifts are hardly commensurate with the blessings that Bishop Benhase has bestowed upon us, but then there is nothing that would be truly adequate.

Make checks out to: The Episcopal Diocese of Georgia Write on the memo line:
Bishop Transition Gift

Include return address so we can send a Thank You Note

Mail it to:

The Episcopal Diocese of Georgia 18 East 34th Street Savannah, GA 31401 Or give online by visiting: <a href="http://bit.ly/BishopTransitionGift">http://bit.ly/BishopTransitionGift</a>

Text to give: Text EDOG to 73256

For both options, select Bishop Transition Gift Fund in the dropdown menu.

Given the timeline for the ordination on May 30th, it is our hope that you can respond generously by April 1st.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Rev. Walter Hobgood of the Transition Committee (229.630.6444) or myself (912.230.9388).

Yours in Christ,

Ted+

The Rev. Ted H. Clarkston

President, The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Georgia



## **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 almost completed

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!



## March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 The First Sunday in Lent	2	3	4	5	6	7
8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I 9:30 am Adult Education 9:45 am Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I 12:00 pm Daughters of the King Study.			5:00 pm Vacation Bible School Meeting 6:00 pm Lenton Study.			
8 The Second Sunday in	9	10	11	12	13	14
Lent						
Daylight Savings Time Begins						
8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I 9:30 am Adult Education 9:45 am Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I ECW Coffee Hour 12:00 pm Acolyte Practice			6:00 pm Lenton Study.			
15 The Third Sunday in Lent	16	17	18	19	20	21
8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I 9:30 am Adult Education 9:45 am Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I			St. Patrick's Day			10:00-2:00 pm. Cursillo Commission Meeting Youth &
11:45 am St. Patrick's Day Covered Dish.			6:00 pm Lenton Study.			Adults to Casting Crowns Concert.
22 The Fourth Sunday in	23	24	25	26	27	28
Lent  8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II  9:30 am Adult Education  9:45 am Children's  Sunday School  10:30 am Nursery  10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II		10:00 am Clericus Christ Church Dublin				
10.00 am 10tg Bacharist Kt. 11	Vestry Meeting at 5:30 pm.		6:00 pm Lenton Study.			
29 The Fifth Sunday in Lent	30	31				<del> </del>
Youth Sunday  8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II  9:30 am Adult Education  9:45 am Children's Sunday School  10:30 am Nursery  10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II  11:45 Lunch and Youth			PR A	Y FA	ST	C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C
Gathering			IIVI	111		ע א ז ר

#### **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

Finn Leamy, Grandson of Ann Childers, for comfort and healing.

David Ivey, friend of Jane Hall Williams, for healing.

#### We continue Prayers for

Teresa Smith, friend of Beverly Thompson, for comfort and healing.

Thomas and Hunter, grandchildren of Tom & Betty Jo Sadler, for comfort and continued healing.

Linda McDilda, friend of Beverly Thompson & Jane Hall 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.

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.

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

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 or removed from the list, please contact the Church office: 537-3776 or theannunciation@bellsouth.net

March Birthdays: Sue Ladson 3rd; KayLeigh Chapman 3rd; Susan Threlkeld 8th; Mary Lawson Bring 12th; Hamp Threlkeld12th; Ella Bankes Threlkeld 15th; Steve Fullam 16th; Charles Gillis 17th; Alexis Mann 18th; Hugh Jordan 20th; Anne Roller 21st; Ann Layne Smith 22nd; Victoria Rau 23rd; Bettina Linden 23rd; Patton Gillis 24th.

March Anniversaries: Harry & Jackie Moses 1st; Erle & Betsy Norton 18th; Len & Teresa Edge 19th; Frank & Kristen Champion 28th.







Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – January 20, 2020 at 6:00 pm

Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Hugh Jordan, Jack Dell, Beverly Thompson, Teresa Barrera-Edge, Rebecca Miller (By Phone); Member Absent: Jerry Yates



Treasurers Present: Anne Roller and Frank Champion; Clerk Present: Beverly Thompson; Deacon Absent: Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick. Additional Attendee: Dennis Ingley, Accountant

Meeting opened by Rev. Denise with prayer.

Dennis Ingley presented and reviewed financial statements for 2019.

Treasurer's Report: (Anne) The December 2019 Financial Report and End of Year Financial Report were presented and reviewed. The month of December 2019 ended with an excess of \$8595. However, the End of Year 2019 Report reflected a budget deficit of \$21,934. Frank moved to approve December 2019 and End of Year Financial Reports, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hugh, motion passed. Budget for 2020 was presented and reviewed. A budget deficit of \$35,190 is projected for 2020. Funds from Investment Accounts will need to be accessed as needed in 2020; this need will be considered at February vestry meeting. Jack moved to approve 2020 Budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frank, motion passed.

Study of Acts 18 was completed.

Vestry meeting minutes for December 2019 were reviewed; Hugh moved to approve minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Teresa, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Hugh) Final pledge figures for 2020 received from Anne Roller were reviewed: 18 pledges for giving amount of \$108,310 with additional giving amount estimated at \$26,400, with a total estimated giving amount for 2020 of \$134,710. Hugh shared that many members have increased their pledges for 2020 when compared to 2019. Hugh expressed his thanks to vestry, especially Denise, for making his job easy.

Junior Warden's Report: (Jack) Jack presented two projects that need discussion and possible approval:

- 1. Lights that shine on Annunciation sign need replacing. Electrician has estimated the cost to be around \$60 X 2 + tax + \$100 labor. Rebecca moved to approve this repair, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hugh, motion passed.
- 2. The rotten soffit boards on Parish Hall need repair/replacement. Frank moved that Jack get two bids on cost of soffit work, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beverly, motion passed.

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

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) Denise thanked Hugh Jordan and Beverly Thompson for their service as vestry members. Two new members will be elected at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, 1/26/2020 after 10:30 service.

A light lunch will be served prior to the meeting. There will be a short vestry meeting after the annual meeting. Beverly and Rev. Denise will attend the Diocesan Council Meeting on Friday and Saturday, 1/24-25/2020 at Holy Nativity on St. Simon's Island. Victoria Bausch is using the Parish Hall on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> for an Integrated Health Services/First Aid Training. Alison Champion will be baptized on Sunday, February 2, with a reception following the service. Bible for Dummies Study continues on Wednesday nights at 6 pm in February. ECW Coffee Hour will be held on Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Next Vestry Meeting will be Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be on February 25 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Ash Wednesday Services will be at 7:00 am, 12:00 noon, and 6:00 pm on February 26. Rev. Denise shared that Abigail Embry is moving her membership to Annunciation. Zack and Anne Fowler have requested that their membership be moved to South Carolina. Rev. Denise will present a full report at the Annual Meeting on Sunday.

#### Business:

- 1. Rev. Denise gave an update on our computer needs. Tabor Computers is upgrading our desktop to Windows 10, if possible. The cost may be \$250 to \$300. After the update is completed, a quote for Quickbooks Non-Profit will be obtained. If desktop update is not possible, other options will be considered.
- 2. Counter duties for February were assigned.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered.

Meeting adjourned with Lord's Prayer at 7:45 pm.

Beverly Thompson, Clerk for the Vestry



#### The Episcopal Church of the Annunciation

1512 Meadows Lane (Corner of Cheney Dr. & Meadows Lane) PO Box 1311 Vidalia, GA 30475



Rector: The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn, Phone: (660) 973-9330;

Email: rev.denisecvaughn@gmail.com

Deacon: The Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick, Phone: (912) 293-3308; Email: jburtd@outlook.com

Church Office Phone (912) 537-3776 Church Office Fax (912) 537-0608

Church Office Email: theannunciation@bellsouth.net Web Site: http://www.annunciationvidalia.org

Facebook Fan Page LIKE: http://www.facebook.com/Annunciation-Episcopal-Church-Vidalia-GA

#### 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.

#### MARCH 2020 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
March 1	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Josiah Perez & Madison Storkamp	Beverly Thompson
March 8	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Bill Martinez	Victoria Bausch
March 15	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Matt Norton
March 22	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Christina Storkamp	Harry Moses
March 29	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Layla & Miah Turoski Eleanor Martinez	Jack Dell

		Altar Guild	Greeters/ Bread/Wine	Cross Bearer/Acolyte	Alms
ı	March 1	Susan Threlkeld	Teresa Edge	Youth	Hugh Jordan
ı	March 8	Ann Roller	Danielle Turoski, Layla & Miah	Youth	Jerry Yates
ı	March 15	Christie Roller	Larry & Susan Threlkeld	Youth	Fernando Hidalgo
ı	March 22	Jackie Moses	Jack & Lynette Dell	Youth	Hugh Jordan
ı	March 29	Lynette Dell	Youth	Youth	Youth

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counters		
March 1		Dorsey McMichael & Hugh Jordan		
March 8 ECW Coffee Hour / Acolyte Training with Lunch		Teresa Edge & Jane Hall		
March 15	St. Patrick's Day Covered Dish 11:45	Beverly Thompson & Carol Rice		
March 22		Jerry Yates & Sherron Threlkeld		
March 29	Youth Gathering with Lunch 11:45	Jack Dell & Danielle Turoski		