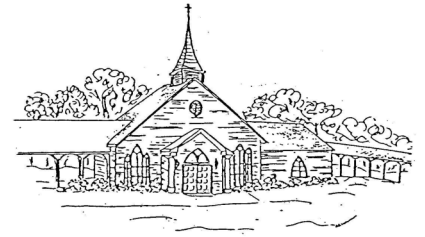




Our Parish Life



February 2021



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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Bishop, The Diocese of Georgia

The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn
Rector, Annunciation

The Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick
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OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARSH LIFE

Non perishable food needed.

Bring your Items into the Narthex or Church office.

Annunciation Sunday Worship Will Continue on Facebook

The service will continue to be live-streamed via Annunciation's Facebook. Join us LIVE by clicking here on [Facebook](#) every Sunday at 10:30 for worship, or catch us later for the recorded service!

Annual Meeting

Sunday, February 7, 2021 12:00 pm. Weather permitting.

The meeting will be outside and short. Please bring a chair. The number of COVID cases in our area have been rising, therefore you are not required to attend the worship service before the meeting to attend the Annual Meeting. The worship service will be live-streamed over Facebook. All confirmed members are asked to attend the Annual Meeting at 12:00 pm. Rector's report and ministry reports will be sent out via email after the Annual Meeting.

Ash Wednesday Services

Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist
Wednesday, February 17, 7:00 am, 12:00 noon & 6:00 pm.

Lent Madness Begins

Wednesday, February 17, 2021
More information on page 3.

Lenten Bible Study via Zoom 'Are We There Yet?'

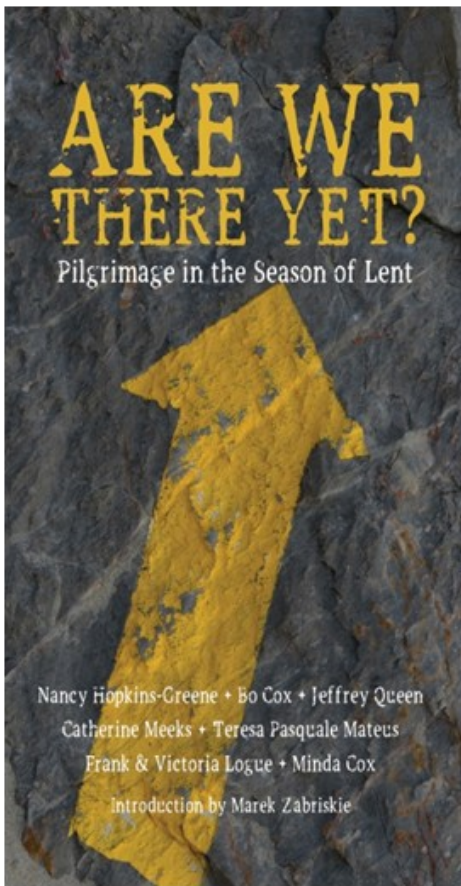
Wednesday, February 24, & March 3, 10, 17, 24, at 6:00 pm.
More information about this study on page 2.

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.



Lenten Bible Study via Zoom

Wednesday, February 24, & March 3, 10, 17, 24, at 6:00 pm



Whether we're taking the trip of a lifetime or the trip simply feels like it's taking forever, the question on everyone's lips is: Are We There Yet? As we make our way through Lent, we will come to realize that the journey—the wrestling and the wandering—is the real flesh and blood of our endeavor.

Our companions on this Lenten journey are fellow pilgrims, sharing their stories about following yellow arrows along the Camino and white blazes through the Appalachian Trail to bearing witness to the pain of historic lynching sites in the American South. Contributors recount their search for healing and wholeness at Marian shrines, in a reunion with birth parents, and around a prayer circle in a psychiatric hospital. Join us as we make our way toward Jerusalem with Jesus. Through this holy season, may we be open to the miracles of love and life, awestruck by the One who is both our journey and our destination.

Authors include: Nancy Hopkins-Greene, Bo Cox, Jeffrey Queen, Catherine Meeks, Teresa Pasquale Mateus, Frank and Victoria Logue, and Minda Cox.

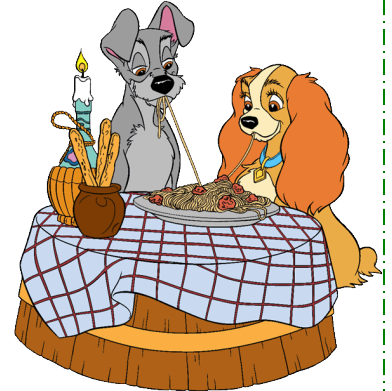
Please call the church office 912-537-3776 to register for the study.

Books can be purchased at forwardmovement.org, Amazon for kindle or paperback.

“12th Annual “Spayghetti” Dinner”

Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021 Vidalia Community Center

Tickets are \$10. Due to COVID-19, the dinners will be pick up only from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Tickets are available for purchase at Altamaha Animal Clinic, Kilgore Animal Hospital or Ingley, Roper, Moore & Co. Contact SOAPS at sweetonionaps.org.



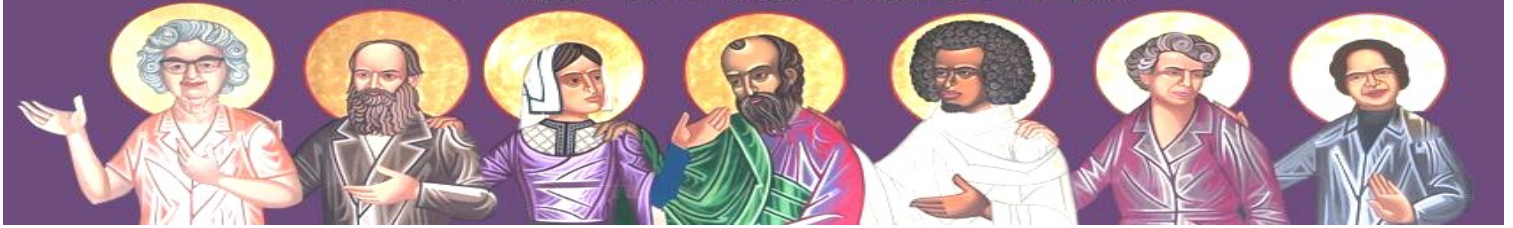
Thank You's.....

To Jack & Lynette Dell, Harry & Jackie Moses, Christie Roller & Anne Roller for making quick work de-greening the church and getting it ready for Bishop Logue and his wife's visit to the church to record his sermon.



LENT MADNESS

WHO WILL WIN THE GOLDEN HALO?



Lent Madness Begins Wednesday, February 17, 2021

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 www.lentmadness.org 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.**



BULLETIN INSERTS

December 27, 2020 – 1 Christmas

The Good Book Club 2021: The Gospel of Mark

Begin 2021 with the Gospel of Mark! The Good Book Club returns to read the earliest and shortest of the four gospels, starting Friday, January 1, 2021, through Shrove Tuesday, February 16. Mark opens with words from the prophet Isaiah: “See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,” and indeed the gospel itself serves as a messenger for the life and ministry of Jesus. Written around 65-75 CE, Mark proclaims the good news that Jesus is the messiah and Son of God.

What is the Good Book Club?

The Good Book Club is an invitation to all Episcopalians to join in reading the Gospel of Mark during Epiphany 2021. Episcopalians will read a section every day through the Epiphany season. In surveys taken before and after the first Good Book Club project in 2018 (reading the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts), participants reported growth in their understanding of scripture and a deepening of their prayer life. Perhaps most significantly, the percentage of people who reported reading the Bible on a daily basis increased to 73 percent at the end of the first Good Book Club reading, from 45 percent when it began.

Already, individuals, congregations, and organizations have committed to being a part of the Good Book Club, and we hope you'll join the journey too!



THE
GOOD BOOK
CLUB

Why read the Bible?

People who read scripture with an open heart grow in faith through their encounter with the sacred stories of the Bible. We know this to be true in our personal experiences — and we have research to back it up. RenewalWorks, a Forward Movement research-based initiative, has data from nearly half a million participants that identify scripture engagement as a key catalyst for spiritual vitality in congregations and for individuals. In other words, if you want to grow and strengthen your faith, reading scripture is the perfect exercise.

Will there be other resources?

Yes! Much like the 2018 Lent-Easter Good Book Club, both Forward Movement and many partners from across the Episcopal Church will provide resources to support you on the journey through the Gospel of Mark. Good Book Club 2018 resources included podcasts, Bible study guides, books, blogs, videos, and more. We're looking forward to inspiring and spiritual resources that will be carefully crafted for the Gospel of Mark 2021. Check back to see what wonderful resources will be offered for this initiative.

Learn more at www.goodbookclub.org.

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February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			<i>Rev. Denise in Florida today through Saturday the 6th,</i>		<i>Office Closed</i> <i>Rev. Denise's Day off</i>	
7 The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany <i>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>Live-stream</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i>	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14 The Last Sunday after the Epiphany <i>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>Live-stream</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> Happy Valentine's Day!	15	16	17	18	19	20
	President's Day		Ash Wednesday <i>Holy Eucharist 7:00 am, 12:00 pm & 6:00 pm.</i>		<i>Office Closed</i> <i>Rev. Denise's Day off</i>	
21 The First Sunday in Lent <i>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>Live-stream</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27
			<i>Lenten Bible Study via Zoom 6:00 pm</i>		<i>Office Closed</i> <i>Rev. Denise's Day off</i>	
28 The Second Sunday in Lent <i>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>Live-stream</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i>						
	PRAY FAST GIVE					

Outreach Opportunity's



Non perishable Food Needed For Our Pantry

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

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.

Refuge needs list:

Walmart gift cards, ladies and children pajamas (all sizes), underwear and socks (all sizes), baby diapers & pull-ups (all sizes), personal hygiene items, alarm clocks, portable cribs, white towels and wash cloths, white twin size sheet sets, bath soap, feminine hygiene products, baby needs, cleaning supplies, alcohol, Q-tips, alarm clocks, toilet paper, paper towels, laundry detergent, Lysol wipes, baby monitors.

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).



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

Mel Svendsen, friend of Wes Chapman, for comfort and healing.

Jean Goff, Johanna Derrick's sister, for comfort and healing.

Phyllis Roan, for comfort and healing.

We continue Prayers for

The family of Hughes Threlkeld, for comfort.

Patrice Jordan and Charles Gillis and their family for comfort.

Mike Brown, friend of Carol Rice, for comfort and healing.

The Very Rev. Denise and her family for comfort.

Sam Sadler, Tom Sadler's brother, for comfort and healing.

Chuck Thompson, for healing.

Grace Alexander for comfort and healing.

Tom and Betty Jo Sadler & family for continued healing.

Mark Quigley, friend of Jane Hall for comfort and healing.

JoAnne, for healing.

Quinten Turpin, for comfort and healing.

Todd Alexander, for healing.

Cole Teza, for healing.

Judy McVey, for comfort and healing.

Samantha Leamy, Granddaughter of Ann Childers, for comfort and healing.

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

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

Jack & Pat Childers, for comfort and healing.

Mitchell Anderson, father to Crystal Anderson, 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.

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.

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.

Lisa Moore, 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.

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

Betty Embry, Abigail Embry's mom, for strength and comfort.

Donna Roberson, for comfort and healing.

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

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

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



February Birthdays:

Seth Wyatt Denmark 7th; Betsy Norton 9th; Meg (Ladson) Floyd 15th; Thom Williams 17th;

Gretta Morgan 21st; Jerry Yates 22nd; Bray Barbee 26th; Janice Reid 26th;

Jane (Hall) Williams 26th.

February Anniversaries:



Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – December 21, 2020 at 5:30 pm



Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Jerry Yates, Rebecca Miller, Dorsey McMichael, Matt Storkamp

Members Absent: Teresa Barrera-Edge, Jack Dell

Treasurer Absent: Frank Champion; Clerk Present by Phone: Beverly Thompson; Deacon Absent: Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick

Meeting opened by Rev. Denise with prayer.

Study of Acts 27 was completed; meeting was held in the Parish Hall with social distancing and masks worn due to coronavirus.

Vestry Meeting minutes for November 2020 were reviewed; Matthew moved to approve minutes with one correction, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: (Denise for Frank) November 2020 Financial Report was reviewed. Income for November was \$23,522 (includes \$8516 check withdrawn from Bank of America Investment Fund); November expenses total was \$13,623 with net income in November of \$9899. Year to date deficit is \$14,739. Restricted funds balance is \$36,577. \$4228 has been paid out of restricted fund for video streaming equipment. Rebecca moved to approve the November Financial Report, 2nd by Matt, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Rebecca) Letter will be drafted to Canon Katie Easterling with request for governing document for the BOA Investment Fund account. Rebecca will communicate with Ed Wonn about the tree. Rebecca shared that the sun has deteriorated the finish on the wood trim on church windows. She will talk with Jack about the possible need for sanding and revarnishing of the wood trim.

Junior Warden's Report: (Denise for Jack) Jack has made note of rotted wood trim on the outside of the church. He will bring an estimate for repair/replacing the rotten trim to the January Vestry meeting.

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

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) Rev. Denise has sent thank you notes to everyone who has made a pledge for 2021 and also to everyone who has donated to the video streaming equipment. The video streaming system is now working! More people will be trained to operate it. She thanks Christina Storkamp for her diligence and persistence in getting the system to work properly. Christmas Eve Candlelight Services will be at 4 pm, 6 pm, and 10:30 pm on Thursday, December 24th; sign-up to attend will be completed by email with Dorsey McMichael. Rev. Denise will be on vacation for a week after Christmas Day; Rebecca Miller will lead Morning Prayer Service at 10:30 am on Sunday while Denise is traveling. The Feast of Epiphany Service will be on Wednesday, January 6 at 6 pm. Annual meeting will be held outside on Sunday, 1/31/2021 at 11:30 am. Next Vestry Meeting will be January 25th at 5:30 pm.

Business:

2021 Budget will be presented to Vestry at January 2021 meeting for discussion and approval. Fifteen pledge cards have been received at this time with pledged amount in giving of \$97,000 for 2021.

Rector's Health Insurance and HSA for 2021 was discussed. Rebecca moved to increase Rev. Denise's Health Insurance to \$8328 / year for 2021, 2nd by Matt, motion passed. Note: \$150 per month will be placed in Rector's tax deferred savings account to replace the Health Savings Account (HSA), which is no longer available now that Rev. Denise is accessing Medicare Health Insurance. Rev. Denise's previous HSA was \$200 / month; Rev. Denise has requested that this amount, which will now go to her tax deferred savings account, be decreased to \$150 / month, in order to help defray the increased cost of health insurance in 2021.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered during meeting.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 6:30 pm.

Beverly Thompson

Beverly Thompson, Clerk for the Vestry



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Walk
 in the
 Light
 of the
 Lord
see John 5:19-21

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE: In-Person Sunday Service

8:00 am Holy Eucharist-Old Sanctuary
 10:30 am Holy Eucharist-New Sanctuary
 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist-Parrish Hall

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.



FEBRUARY 2020 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
February 7	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Jack Dell
February 14	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Beverly Thompson
February 21	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Victoria Bausch	Jack Dell
February 28	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Beverly Thompson

	Altar Guild	Ushers	Acolyte	Alms
February 7	Phyllis Roan	Dorsey McMichael Hugh Jordan	Madison Storkamp	
February 14	Jackie Moses	Dorsey McMichael Jack Dell	Sarah Solis	
February 21	Lynette Dell	Dorsey McMichael Jerry Yates	Anderson Hornick	
February 28	Susan Threlkeld	Dorsey McMichael Jack Dell	Mackenzie Davis	

		Collection Counters
February 7		To be determined on Sunday
February 14		To be determined on Sunday
February 21		To be determined on Sunday
February 28		To be determined on Sunday
		To be determined on Sunday