





Our Parish Life April 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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The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn Rector, Annunciation

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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.

In Person Worship

Please respond each week to Dorsey McMichael's email or give her or the church office a call to reserve your time slot.

Annunciation Sunday Worship Will Continue on Facebook

Join us LIVE by clicking here on Facebook every Sunday at 10:30 for worship, or catch us later for the recorded service!

Maundy Thursday Service

April 1, 6:00 pm.

Good Friday Services,

April 2, 12 pm & 6:00 pm Good Friday Liturgy.

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:00 am & 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II with the Flowering of the Cross. Please bring fresh cut flowers from your garden to adorn the cross.

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:30 service. Punch and cookies reception.

Episcopal Church Women's Meeting

Sunday, April 11 at 11:45 am.

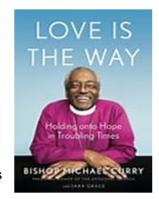
Vestry Meeting

Sunday, April 18, at 11:45 am.



Dear People of Annunciation,

Beginning Monday, April 5, and continuing to May 23, Pentecost Sunday, we have an opportunity to read and be part of a discussion that features The Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's book titled *Love is the Way*. Picking up on the theme from his sermon for the Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle, Bishop Curry grounds his teaching in scripture and offers experiences from his own life to challenge the reader to make the ethic of love a guiding principle for their lives. In this beautiful and moving book, Bishop **Michael Curry** reflects on the nature of God's **love and** the reflection of that **love** in human lives. Drawing on his own



life and experiences he shows us that, time and again, when **love** is threatened by circumstances—be it poverty, racism, violence, injustice or the abuse of power—that same **love** ...leads us to discover the gifts we need in order to live the way of love: deep reservoirs of hope and resilience, simple wisdom, the discipline of nonviolence, and unshakable regard for human dignity. This is an easy to read, filled with stories book that you will find interesting and helpful. Just read the review's...

Review

"I can think of nobody better to help shine a light during these difficult times than Bishop Curry. His wisdom and his smile are a beacon for my soul right now."—Al Roker

"Bishop Curry proclaims and lives the way of love that has the power to transform broken systems and imperfect people. This book is a gift for our time, as is my dear brother. Listen to him."—**Bishop William J. Barber, II, co-chair of the Poor People's Campaign; author of We Are Called to Be a Movement**

"Bishop Curry asks us to love ourselves, each other, and God more fully, and unlike so many others, he actually shows us how. There is no greater calling; no nobler blessing."—Rabbi Steve Leder, author of *The Beauty of What Remains*

"This is a profound and essential book. At once personal and universal, intimate and sweeping, it frames the great question of our time—which is, really, the great question of all time on this side of Paradise—with passion and eloquence. Michael Curry, priest and bishop, plays the prophet in these pages, drawing on his own remarkable life to show us the way we might make our own lives, and the lives of nations, warmer, better, and nobler."—Jon Meacham, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Destiny and Power, American Lion, and Thomas Jefferson: The Art of Power

"'Perfect love casts out all fear' (1 John 4.18). In this beautiful and moving book, Bishop Michael Curry reflects on the nature of God's love and the reflection of that love in human lives. Drawing on his own life and experiences he shows us that, time and again, when love is threatened by circumstances—be it poverty, racism, violence, injustice or the abuse of power—that same love has the power to shine through. Two thousand years ago Jesus called together a small band of disciples to follow him in preaching the good news of God's love. The movement we now know as the Church started off simply as 'the way.' Bishop Michael is convinced that, just as then, love and the message of love has the power to transform our world."—The Most Reverend and Right Honorable Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury

"Michael Curry believes in love. Not the kind of love that sidesteps and softens our response to the most brutal realities of our deepest, racist, economic, and human oppression. But rather, like Dr. King and, more importantly, Jesus said; the kind of radical love that may be the only thing that can finally overcome such radical sin. On a personal note, Michael is and does what he says about being a follower of Jesus and the way of God's overwhelming and overcoming love. *Love is the Way* is moving, heartfelt, and extraordinarily important. In this fearful time, more than perhaps ever before, the world needs this book because, as Michael says, 'Love dreams visions."—Jim Wallis, Founder and President of Sojourners

"The author's gentle storytelling and emphasis on the supremacy of the power of love persuades and convicts, making evident why he has become one of the world's most celebrated and sought-after religious leaders. A powerful meditation on social justice and religion that will engage a variety of readers."—*Library Journal Continued*———

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Available as a hardback, Love Is the Way is also an audiobook read by Bishop Curry.

Book Discussion Guide Now Available

A book discussion guide for the Diocese of Georgia's 1Book1Diocese read of Love is the Way is now online. Go to the www.gaepiscopal.org then go to the heading news and events, choose from the field March 24, scroll down to resources for Lent and Eastertide.

Bishop Curry to meet with us online

Individuals may also read the book and then join us for online meeting with Bishop Curry to discuss the book. This study is broken up into seven sections as the Diocese of Georgia will hold a 1Book1Diocese read over seven weeks.

Holy Week Continues

Maundy Thursday Service

April 1, 6:00 pm.

Good Friday Services,

April 2, 12 noon & 6:00 pm Good Friday Liturgy

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:00 am & 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II Flowering of the Cross at all services.

Please bring fresh cut flowers from your garden to adorn the cross.

Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:30 service.



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday: 10:00am

Maundy Thursday: 7:00pm
Good Friday Stations of
the Cross: Noon
Good Friday Liturgy: 7:00pm
Easter Vigil Saturday: 7:00pm
Easter Sunday: 10:00am

Join the Diocese for Holy Week

The Diocese will be offering online services for Holy Week and Easter, beginning with Palm Sunday at 10:00am. You can find all of the services streamed from the Diocesan Facebook and YouTube pages.

Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

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.

The Central Convocation Confirmation service with Bishop Frank Logue will take place on May 16th at Annunciation in the afternoon.

Easter Flowers given to the Glory of God by:

Harry & Jackie Moses, in Thanksgiving for Jack, Harper & Tracy Silvey.

The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn, in Memory of my Mother, Father & Grandparents.

Tom and Betty Jo Sadler, in Thanksgiving for Tom Sadler.

Chuck & Beverly Thompson, in Memory of our Parents, Ross and

Carolyn Bowen, & Bob and Ren Thompson.

Fernando & Karen Hidalgo, in Thanksgiving for Family.

Larry & Susan Threlkeld, in Memory of our Parents and brother Hughes

Threlkeld, and in Honor of our Children and Grandchildren.

Jerry & Terry Yates, in Memory of J.W. "Buddy" Jenkins, Ruth Jenkins and

Keith M. Yates.



Thank You's.....

To Jack Dell for all your help sprucing up the Church grounds on Church yard clean-up day and installing the new light in the secretary's office.

To all who helped, especially Christina Storkamp with the Memorial reception for Hughes Threlkeld.

Outreach Opportunity's

Vidalia Habitat for Humanity is looking for new board members. Please contact Rev. Denise if interested.



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).



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
EASTER SUNDAY				1 Maundy Thursday 6:00 pm. Worship	2 Good Friday 12:00 pm. Worship 6:00 pm. Worship	3
4 The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day	5	6	7	8	9	10
8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery Easter Egg Hunt after 10:30 Service Live-steam 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II					Office Closed Rev. Denise's Day off	
11 The Second Sunday of Easter 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 9:30 am Adult Education 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery Episcopal Church Women's Meeting at 11:45 am Live-steam 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II	12	13	14	15	16 Office Closed Rev. Denise's Day off	17
18 The Third Sunday of Easter 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 9:30 am Adult Education 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery Vestry Meeting at 11:45 am Live-steam 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II	19	20 Rev. Denise Vacation Starts	21	22	23 Office Closed Rev. Denise's Day off	24
25 The Fourth Sunday of Easter No 8:00 am Service 9:30 am Adult Education 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery Live-steam 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II	26	27	28	29	30	

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

Jane Hall, for comfort and healing.

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.

Mike Brown, friend of Carol Rice, for comfort and 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

Chuck Thompson, for healing.

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.

Ann Bowman, for comfort and healing.

Ruth Hopkins, Sherron Threlkeld's mom, 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

ı <u>April Birthdays:</u>

Jack Dell 4th; Johanna Derrick 4th; Amy Rau 6th; George Mosley 6th; Jennie Hamilton 7th;

Ellen Rice 14th; Anne Childers 17th; Bill Martinez 18th; Jared Ingley 19th; Lilly Harms 20th; Tom

Sadler 21st; Johnny Roller 24th; Karen Hidalgo 28th;

April Anniversaries:

Chuck & Beverly Thompson 19th; Karen & Fernando Hidalgo 29th.







Vestry Meeting Minutes - Annunciation - February 28, 2021 at 11:45 am

Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Dorsey McMichael, Teresa Barrera-Edge, Frank Champion, Victoria

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Members Absent: Jerry Yates, Matt Storkamp

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

Lunch was provided by Frank and enjoyed by all.

Meeting was opened by Rev. Denise with prayer at 12:10 pm.

Chapter 1 of Vestry Resource Guide was read and discussed; meeting was held in the Parish Hall with social distancing and masks worn due to corona virus pandemic. Vestry Meeting minutes for January 2021 were reviewed; Frank moved to approve minutes, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed. Minutes of Short Called Vestry Meeting held 2/7/2021 were reviewed; Frank moved to approve minutes, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: (Frank) January 2021 Financial Report was reviewed. Income for January was \$9702 (includes Restricted Funds Income); January expenses total was \$12,259; January deficit was \$2557. Frank recommended that the allowed amount for 2021 be withdrawn from the Bank of America Investment Fund. Rev. Denise explained the \$3000 discrepancy that was found on the End-of-Year Financial Report for 2020 was due to the \$3000 in the Restricted Funds Account being included in the End-of-Year Report of income. The Restricted Funds Income continues to be included in the report of monthly income for January 2021; Frank will communicate with Karen Hidalgo, Financial Secretary about this. Dorsey moved to approve the January 2021 Financial Report, 2nd by Teresa, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Dorsey) Dorsey will communicate with Ed Wonn about how to remove the Live Oak tree in order to have wood appropriately secured for the building of a bench in memory of Fr. Ron Southerland.

Junior Warden's Report: (Denise for Matt) Rev. Denise will check on the status of the replacement/repair of the fascia board on the outside of the church building.

Deacon's Report: (Denise for Burt) is submitting Letter of Retirement to Bishop Logue due to his reaching age of 72; when he is ready to return to duty, a new Letter of Agreement will be negotiated and Rev. Dcn. Burt will be gladly welcomed back.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) The 2021 Vestry Roster was disseminated. Ministry Area Assignments were explained by Rev. Denise. New guidelines from our Diocesan office for "COVID-19 Safer Standards" were shared by Rev. Denise. Processions are now allowed. Service can now be one hour in length. Singing by the congregation is still not allowed; however, a soloist is allowed. Food and beverage are allowed outside. Social distancing of six feet, use of hand sanitizer, and mask-wearing requirements continue. Online signup for attendance will continue. Small groups can now meet with vestry approval following CDC guidelines. Nursery is allowed if guidelines are followed and with vestry approval. Weddings and funerals are allowed, but services must follow guidelines. Third party use of space is allowed if approved by Vestry and a liability waiver is in place. Parochial Report for 2020 was reviewed by Rev. Denise. Lenten Bible study continues via Zoom on Wednesday's at 6 pm. Church Yard Workday is planned for Saturday, March 20th at 9 am. Palm Sunday service will be on March 28th. Stations of the Cross service will be held on Tuesday, March 30th at 5:30 am. Maundy Thursday services will be at 6 pm on April 1st. Good Friday services will be on April 2nd, at 12 noon and 6 pm. Easter Sunday services will be offered at 6:45 am, 8:00 am, and 10:30 am.

Business:

- 1. Frank moved that the allowed amount for 2021 be withdrawn from the Bank of America Investment Fund, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed.
- 2. Frank moved to approve the return of small group gatherings, provision of nursery, and third party use of space, following the guidelines delineated in the new "COVID-19 Safer Standards" recently provided by our Diocesan office, 2nd by Victoria, motion passed.
- 3. Frank moved to approve the Parochial Report 2020, with changes and additions discussed during its review, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed.
- 4. Denise suggests that donations to the Memorial Fund in memory of Hughes Threlkeld be used to purchase two chairs for acolytes' use at the altar; she will consult with Sherron and family about this idea.
- 5. Victoria will bring info to March Vestry meeting regarding how our church can provide assistance when needed through Department of Family and Children Service to foster children and family needs.
- 6. Vestry members agreed to change the monthly Vestry meeting from third Sunday to fourth Sunday at 11:45 am. Next Vestry Meeting will be on 3/28/2021, Palm Sunday, at 11:45 am. Rev. Denise will provide lunch for the March Vestry meeting.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered during meeting. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 1:45 pm.

Beverly Thompson

Beverly Thompson, Clerk for the Vestry



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE: In-Person Sunday Service

8:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist

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.

APRIL 2021 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
April 4	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Harry Moses
April 11	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Jack Dell
April 18	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Josiah Perez	Beverly Thompson
April 25	Twalla Haley	Morning Prayer	Christina Storkamp	Morning Prayer

	Altar Guild	Ushers	Acolyte	Alms
April 4	Lynette Dell	Dorsey McMichael Beverly Thompson	Madison Storkamp	Beverly Thompson
April 11	Susan Threlkeld	Dorsey McMichael Hugh Jordan	Alex Logan	Hugh Jordan
April 18	Anne Roller	Dorsey McMichael Jerry Yates	Joe Perez	Jerry Yates
April 25	Christie Roller	Dorsey McMichael Jack Dell	Sarah Solis	Jack Dell

	Special Reception Coffee or LUNCH	Collection Counters
April 4	Punch and Cookies after the 10:30 service.	Beverly Thompson/Hugh Jordan
April 11	In May	Jerry Yates /Dorsey McMichael
April 18		Hugh Jordan/ Teresa Edge
April 25		Jack Dell/ Beverly Thompson

