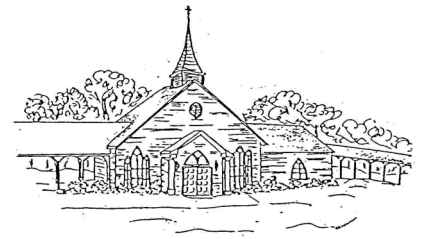




Our Parish Life



June 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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Rector, Annunciation

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

Non perishable food needed.

Bring your Items into the Narthex or Church office.

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!

Parent's Night Out

Saturday, June 5, 5-8 pm. Dinner provided.

Memorial Service for Allison Fullam

Saturday, June 12, 2021, 11:00 am at the Columbarium
Lunch Reception in the Parrish Hall following service.

Father's Day, Sunday, June 20, 2021

Episcopal Church Women's Coffee Hour after the 10:30 service.

Vestry Meeting

Sunday, June 20, 2021, at 11:45 am.

Fourth of July BBQ & Covered Dish

Sunday June 27, 12:00 noon. Meat will be provided.



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.

Dear People of Annunciation,



Here we are almost at the half-way mark in the year. I have to admit, it's been a rather difficult few months for me after my mother's death but I am feeling much more hopeful today than a few months ago. I am feeling hopeful because the Church is beginning to return to its pre-pandemic way of life. Although, I don't believe we will ever fully return to the way we always did it before COVID-19. The pandemic has changed us, and the way we will do church in the future. My concerns are the same I hear from my clergy colleagues. Will people return to a church building when they can stay home and watch church on line? Will parishioners continue to provide the funds it takes to run a church and take care of its buildings? Very valid concerns that only time will tell.

As far as our finances are concerned: we are pretty much where we were last year at this time in a deficit budget. Our income has not kept up with our expenses and we are projecting that deficit will continue to grow from \$-6,000 (end of April figures) to \$-25,000 or more (deficit estimate for the end of the year). If you are interested, you can find the April Profit and Loss Budget Performance figures on the bulletin board in the narthex. Also, in the Newsletter each month, in the minutes from the previous month's Vestry meeting, you can read the latest financial report from the treasurer.

A couple of months ago, the Vestry voted to request our 4% draw from our investment fund the Bank of America Corporation. We received approx. \$9000 and this will help but we all know that if we continue with a deficit budget, our investments will only last so long. The Vestry and I operate with a bare bones budget and do everything we can to be good stewards of your money...of which we thank you for giving us that privilege. Recently, I found this very poignant message produced by the Commission for Financial Support in cooperation with the Lutheran Laity Movement for Stewardship, of which I would like to share with you.

The Giving Paradox

At the roadside market the tangy autumn apples gleam round and red in bushels. How good a juicy bite of crisp fruit tastes! From ancient times people have relished the goodness of God in the fruits of the earth. In Exodus 23:19, God instructs the people to bring "the first of the first fruits....to the house of the Lord your God.

Today, returning the first fruits of our labor to God remains an important model of Christian stewardship. When the "first bite" of the paycheck goes to God, a curious thing occurs: somehow there always is enough left to cover daily needs. But when we tell ourselves that as soon as we've taken care of the other things, we'll give the rest to God, then we scarcely have enough to cover the bills, let alone present an offering.

God loves us so much that he gave his only Son that we might live, the "firstborn of all creation" (Col. 1:15). We give because God first gave to us.

This experience of giving has been mine for over 30 years. The money I have given to God I've never missed or needed. God has and continues to bless my life in many ways...of which there is no price tag! If you haven't already, will you allow God to do the same in your life? Thank you!

With the Love of Christ, Denise+



Congratulations!

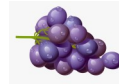
To all who were confirmed on Sunday, May 16th by the Rt. Rev. Frank Logue. Amy Rau, Victoria Rau, Natalie Rau, Alex Logan, Mackenzie Dellinger, Anderson Hornick and Courtney Davis who was received.



Parents Night Out!



Saturday, June 5th, 5:00 to 8:00 pm.
Bring a change of clothes and a towel, weather permitting we will be enjoying some fun outside getting wet! Dinner will be provided



Fourth of July BBQ Sunday, June 27 12:00 noon



Hot dogs & Pulled Pork will be provided.
Bring a dish and come join the fun.

Thank You's...

To Wes Chapman for his kind and generous gift of a new TV for the Church.

To Harry Moses and Jack Dell for all their help keeping up the church grounds.



Ways to Participate and Serve in the Worship

As we begin to return to normal, many of the ministries that were discontinued because of COVID-19 can now begin again. This would include the ministry of the Greeter and Usher. The ministry of Collection Counter, Eucharistic Minister, and Lector were continued but all of these positions are in need of additional people to serve. Below you will find the description and duties of each ministry to refresh the memories of those already serving in these ministries and to hopefully to entice those who are not. Please let Rev. Denise know if you would like to serve.

Server Duty Instructions

Greeters / Bread / Wine

Arrive at least 15 minutes before the service begins so you can put your nametag on. Make sure the bulletins are ready to be handed out. Greeting is a vital ministry of the church. Greeters bear the face of God and because of this, the welcome must be authentic. As greeters, we can't just give people a smile, a handshake and possibly a nametag. Our task is to make people feel the love of God and feel truly welcomed into God's family as we hand them a worship bulletin. Here are some general tips:

Pray. The most important thing you can do to prepare to be an effective greeter is to ask God to bless your ministry. **Always speak in a welcoming way.** Don't ask someone if they are "new here." If the answer is no, they might be annoyed; and if the answer is yes, they will feel even more like outsiders than they already do. Instead, when you don't recognize people, introduce yourself and say that you don't think you've met them before. **Be attentive.** When you greet visitors, think about what need's they might have. If they're a family with nursery age children, ask if they would like the children to spend the first half of the service in the nursery. If a guest needs directions, or needs to be taken somewhere, be sure to let the Usher know so that person can cover for you. Imagine what you would need if you were walking into this church for the first time.

******The Greeter and the Usher will bring the Bread and Wine, located at the back of the church, to the acolyte or to the altar if no acolyte.** When the priest announces the offering and the music begins, process from the back of the nave to the front, carrying the elements. After handing the elements to an acolyte, or after bringing them to the altar if no acolyte, you may return to your seat.

Usher/Alms

A church usher is a person who helps ensure a smoothly running church service and who ministers to people in a variety of practical ways. Arrive at least 15 minutes before the service begins so you can put your nametag on. As people begin arriving, take the time to greet each person and welcome them to worship. Help the greeter with passing out the Sunday Bulletins if needed. Introduce yourself if you don't recognize someone. If they are new to the church or are visiting us, and if they seem amenable, try to pair them up with a church member who can sit with them during the service. After everyone has been seated and the service begins you may be seated.

Your duties resume during the passing of the peace. Soon after it begins, take your place in the back of the nave. During the announcement time please count all the people attending including children arriving from the nursery and babes in arms. When the priest announces the offering and the music begins, process from the back of the nave to the front, carrying one of the elements with the greeter. The acolyte will hand you the collection plate. Begin with the collection of the offering, extending the plate to anyone who has a contribution to make. When you have collected from everyone, stand at the back of the nave and wait for the Doxology. During the Doxology, bring the offering plates to the front of the nave to the waiting acolyte. If there is no acolyte then bring the offering to the altar. You may then return to your seat.

Collection Counters

The purpose of the collection counters is to help our Treasurer with counting any offerings that may come into the church. Job Duties • Count all Sunday offerings (cash and check) with an assistant and record on a collection sheet after the 10:30 am service • Maintain a high degree of confidentiality regarding personal contributions.

Lay Eucharistic Minister

A Lay Eucharistic Minister is a person who assists the priest in administering the sacraments of Holy Communion, the consecrated bread and wine.

Lector

Lectors are those who assist in the worship by reading the lessons and the Prayers of the People.



To Register:

Session One: <http://bit.ly/FamilyCampSessionOne>

Session Two: <http://bit.ly/FamilyCampSessionTwo>

Session Three: <http://bit.ly/FamilyCampSessionThree>

For more information, contact Canon Joshua Varner at jvarner@gaepiscopal.org.

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).



June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 Office Closed Rev. Denise's Day off	5 Parents Night Out! 5-8 pm.
6 The Second Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 9:30 Adult Education 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery Live-stream 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II	7	8	9	10	11 Office Closed Rev. Denise's Day off	12 Memorial Service for Allison Fullam At 11:00 am. Lunch Reception following service.
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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

Lisa Dayan & family of Nathan Dayan, friend of Wes Chapman, for comfort.

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, daughter 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.

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.

June Birthdays: Matthew Jordan 2nd; Alan Smith 5th; Denise Vaughn 7th; Gordan Glass 9th; Carter Chapman 14th; Robert Glass 14th; David Paine 14th; Rebecca Miller 15th; Miah Turoski, Cynthia Gicas 19th; Kristen Champion 20th; Jaxon Derrick Holly 20th; Beverly Nichols 21st; Beth Thompson 22nd; Gabriel Figuaro 26th; Susan McMichael 27th; Mackenzie Dellinger 28th; Ann Bowman 29th.

June Anniversaries: Jack & Lynette Dell 9th; Donnie & Cissy Alderman 16th; Jerry & Terry Yates 16th; David & Carol Rice; Chase & Racheal Fulfod 18th; Hugh & Patrice Jordan 25th.



Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – April 18, 2021 at 11:45 am

Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Dorsey McMichael, Matt Storkamp, Teresa Barrera-Edge, Jerry Yates, Victoria Bausch



Member/Treasurer Absent: Frank Champion; Clerk Present: Beverly Thompson

Lunch was provided by Dorsey and enjoyed by all.

Meeting was called to order by Rev. Denise with prayer at 12:15 pm.

Chapter 3 of *Vestry Resource Guide* was read and discussed; meeting was held in the Parish Hall with social distancing and masks due to coronavirus pandemic.

Vestry Meeting minutes for March 2021 were reviewed; Jerry moved to approve minutes, 2nd by Matt, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: (Rev. Denise for Frank) March 2021 Financial Report was reviewed. Income for March was \$5686 (includes \$495 Restricted Funds Income); March expenses total was \$14,328; March deficit was \$8642. The allowed amount for 2021 has not yet been withdrawn from the Bank of America Investment Fund. There was a question regarding the high operating natural gas expense in March; Rev. Denise will investigate this. Matt moved to approve the March 2021 Financial Report, 2nd by Jerry, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Dorsey) Dorsey will contact Rebecca Miller about removal of the live oak tree that may encroach on underground pipes. Dorsey has spoken with Latrelle Stockton's sister regarding the delay due to pandemic in purchase and planting of a live oak tree in Latrelle's memory. The need for irrigation and how to avoid encroachment on pipes is also being explored. Another of Latrelle's family members wishes to donate windchimes in her memory in the columbarium area. Dorsey will talk with Anna Marie Tyson about the purchase of a live oak tree as well as when and how to plant it.

Junior Warden's Report: (Matt) Matt has done a walk-around to assess building and grounds needs. A couple of trees need limbs removed. The playground equipment is in need of attention and a new swing set is needed for our younger children. The pipes that provide drainage to the area below the columbarium have been cleaned out by Harry Moses and the city has been contacted and will clean out the Cheney Drive ditch drain.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) Confirmation service for confirmands in Central Convocation will be held on May 16th at Annunciation with Bishop Frank Logue officiating. Two acolyte chairs in memory of Hughes Threlkeld have been ordered. Pandemic guidelines now allow all pews to be opened for seating, but social distancing and mask wearing continue to be required. Beekeepers meet monthly in the parish hall. Wes Chapman wants to buy a large TV for the parish hall and have it installed on the wall. Rev. Denise will be off on Sunday, April 25th; Rebecca Miller will officiate at Morning Prayer service. ECW will provide coffee hour on May 16th after 10:30 service. Next Vestry meeting will be held on May 23rd at 11:45 am. Teresa will provide lunch.

Business:

The proposal to have structural work completed on the drainage area below the columbarium was discussed. Some measures are being taken to address the problem with drainage (see Junior Warden's report). It was also noted that a memorial service is being planned at the columbarium in the near future. All agreed to monitor the drainage area and to further discuss the need for structural work as needed at a later time.

All agreed that Karen Hidalgo and Christina Storkamp will be tasked with researching and replacing the small swing set.

All agreed for Wes Chapman to purchase a large TV and have it professionally installed on the wall in the parish hall. Vestry is very appreciative of Wes's donation.

Rev. Denise presented information on a computer system, HP Compact Elite, to possibly replace the old computer in Rector's office. Matt will consult with Rev. Denise on the system and what is needed. Decision on this matter is tabled until later.

Victoria gave an update on our new outreach project that will provide assistance to foster children and at-risk families in Toombs County. More information is needed from the local Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS). Beverly will get contact information for Toombs County DFCS.

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.



JUNE 2021 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
June 6	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Beverly Thompson
June 13	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Victoria Bausch	Harry Moses
June 20	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Victoria Bausch
June 27	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Jack Dell

	Altar Guild	Greeters/Bread & Wine	Acolyte	Alms/Usher
June 6	Christie Roller	Christie Roller	Madison Storkamp	Hugh Jordan
June 13	Phyllis Roan	Carol Rice	Madison Storkamp	Beverly Thompson
June 20	Jackie Moses	Jerry Yates	Josiah Perez	Dorsey McMichael
June 27	Lynette Dell	Lynette Dell	Sarah Solis	Jerry Yates

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counters
June 6		Jerry Yates
June 13		Beverly Thompson
June 20	Episcopal Church Women Coffee Hour	Dorsey McMichael
June 27	Fourth of July BBQ & Covered Dish	Jack Dell