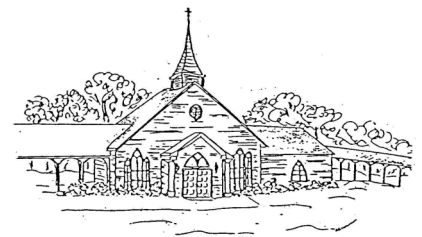




Our Parish Life



September 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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Karen Hidalgo, Church Secretary

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OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH LIFE

Non perishable food needed.

Microwavable items preferred. Most of our needy do not have a stove. We have plenty of pasta. Bring your items into the Narthex or Church office. Thank you for your donations.

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!

Volunteers Needed

If you are willing to give one Sunday a month for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Video Streaming, Nursery or Sunday School please let Karen or Rev. Denise know.

Episcopal Church Women Meeting

Friday, September 3, at 10:00 am, in the office, to begin setting-up for the yard sale.

Labor Day, Monday September 6, 2021. Office Closed.

ECW Coffee Hour

Sunday, September 19, after the 10:30 service.

Vestry Meeting

Sunday, September 26, 2021, at 11:45 am.

ECW Annual Yard Sale

Saturday, October 2nd and 9th, from 8:00am to noon.

ECW is collecting items for our annual yard sale and will begin setting up this month. If you have spare time, any help with pricing, set-up and display will be appreciated.

Blessing of the Animals Sunday, October 3, 2021

4:00 pm Memorial Service and 4:30 for the Blessing of the Animals. We are collecting pet food and supplies for the local animal shelter and SOAPS.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

We will begin collecting items now through November 17, for Operation Christmas Child.

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,

Last week, a healthcare worker from our local hospital informed me that this second surge of COVID has overwhelmed the hospital, the nurses, and the doctors, with the number of new cases and deaths. They need our prayers. I would like to offer the *Litany for Patients and Health Care Workers* reprinted below taken from 'The Wideness of God's Mercy: Litanies to Enlarge Our Prayer,' and ask for you to pray for our community:

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers,
The people offer names either silently or aloud.

Holy God, source of health and salvation,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, divine physician, sending your disciples to preach the Gospel and heal in your name,
Hear and have mercy.

Holy Spirit, renewing our hearts and minds,
Hear and have mercy.

Grant your grace to heal those who are sick, we pray to you, O God. *Hear and have mercy.*

Comfort, relieve, and heal all sick children, we pray to you, O God. *Hear and have mercy.*

Give courage to all who await surgery, we pray to you, O God. *Hear and have mercy.*

Support and encourage those who live with chronic illness, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Strengthen those who endure continual pain, and give them hope, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Befriend all who are anxious, lonely, despondent, or afraid, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Give rest to the weary, and hold the dying in your loving arms, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Give your wisdom and compassion to all doctors and health care workers, that they may minister to the sick and dying with knowledge, skill, and kindness, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Help the nurses and doctors working on the frontline of the COVID-19 crisis and provide them peace, healing, and protection during this difficult time, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Lord, that you would help heal this tragic situation and protect us all with your healing touch, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Guide those who search for the causes and cures of sickness and disease, we pray to you, O God.
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, Lamb of God, *hear and have mercy.*

Jesus, bearer of our sins, *hear and have mercy.*

Jesus, redeemer of the world, *grant us your peace.*

God our strong deliverer: when those charged with the urgent mediation of your healing power feel overwhelmed by the numbers of suffering, uphold them in their fatigue and banish their despair. Let them see with your eyes, so they may know all their patients as precious. Give them comfort, and renew their energy and compassion, for the sake of Jesus in whom is our life and our hope. *Amen*

With Christ,
Denise+



United Thank Offering



How to live a life of gratitude for daily blessings? It is unbelievably easy! Just breathe a quiet prayer of "Thank you, God!" as good things come to you throughout your day. To make it even more special, share that goodness with others and drop a coin or bill in your United Thank Offering Blue Box. It may become part of a grant for a van to carry someone to a clinic for medical care, or to a church in a faraway place with no transportation, or even a motorbike to make it possible for a priest or deacon to make rounds for services in a jungle or desert somewhere. Just putting your spare change in your box Amazing things happen when we share the love of Jesus! Boxes will be on the table in the Narthex. **Collection of boxes All Saint's Sunday, October 31, 2021.**

ECW Annual Yard Sale

Saturday, October 2nd and Saturday October 9th
8:00 am to noon.

We are collecting items for our Annual Yard sale. If you have any items to donate that you no longer need or want, you can bring them to the church office building. If help is needed for delivery of large items, call the office at 912-537-3776. If you have spare any help with set-up, pricing and display would be appreciated. Our Episcopal Church Women (ECW) group uses the proceeds from our rummage sale to help meet the needs of our community throughout the year-and without your help it will not happen!



Memorial Service at 4:00pm and Blessing of the Animals at 4:30pm Sunday, October 3, 2021 and all pets are welcome!

At 4:00pm, a Memorial Service will be held in the St. Francis Memorial Garden to remember and give thanks for our deceased beloved pets and to scatter ashes.

Immediately following the Memorial Service, the blessing of our beloved living pets will take place along with blessing of the pet supplies collected to be donated to SOAPS. Refreshments will be served for humans and animals. **To Support SOAPS and the good work they do in our community please bring to church in September donations of dry puppy and dog food (Purina or Pedigree), towels and blankets (gently used), leashes & collars-all sizes, Tractor Supply or Walmart gift cards.**





Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

We will begin collecting items for Operation Christmas Child now through November 17.

What is Operation Christmas Child?

1. The Samaritan's Purse project Operation Christmas Child collects shoebox gifts—filled with fun toys, school supplies and hygiene items—and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. For many of these children, the gift-filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received.

2. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child, the world's largest Christmas project of its kind, has collected and delivered more than 146 million shoebox gifts to children in more than 160 countries and territories.

Anyone can pack a shoebox. Individuals, families, churches and groups fill empty shoeboxes with school supplies, hygiene items and fun toys, such as dolls or soccer balls. During the National collection week (Nov.15-22, 2021.) Samaritan's Purse will collect the gift-filled shoeboxes at nearly 5,000 drop-off locations in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. **Do not include:** candy; toothpaste, used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; seeds; chocolate or food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items, such as snow globes or glass containers; or aerosol cans.

Thank You's...

To all who donated school supplies for J.D. Dickerson Elementary School.

To all the volunteers who participated at the Back To School Bash giving out ice cold water to everyone. A welcome blessing on a hot day!



J.D. Dickerson Faculty and Staff



Where Little Indians Get Their Start

Dear Episcopal Church,

Thank you for your donations to our school and students. We are truly blessed to have loving support from our community.

With love,

J. D. Dickerson



To Frank Champion, Hugh Jordan and Wes Chapman for their combined efforts in doing this year's church audit.



Episcopal ministries continue to work during crises

We've seen and heard about two world events recently - the earthquake in Haiti and those who assisted the US trying to flee Afghanistan. If you are looking for ways to help, the Episcopal Church has ministries that are already doing good work directly with those who are in need of services. ERD is also helping with the hurricane victims.

Assisting Refugees from Afghanistan

Episcopal Migration Ministries welcomes refugees, educates communities, and mobilizes congregations to advocate for the protection and rights of all migrants. They are partnered with agencies within the United States to resettle those who are fleeing their home country. To read more about their current work with refugees from Afghanistan.

To learn more about Episcopal Migration Ministries and to donate, visit their website at <https://episcopalmigrationministries.org/>. To read the prayer for the people of Afghanistan by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry.

Assisting Haiti after the Earthquake

Episcopal Relief and Development is known to our diocese, especially during storm season, but they also operate worldwide. They have been in Haiti since the last natural disaster and are continuing to work with the people of Haiti in assessing the newest list of needs in the community. To read more about ERD's current work in Haiti. To learn more about ERD and to donate, visit their website at <https://www.episcopalrelief.org/>. To read Bishop Curry's pastoral word to the people and Diocese of Haiti.



Cursillo #127 to be held in October

Cursillo weekend #127 in the Diocese of Georgia will be at Honey Creek, October 21-24. We are expecting a time filled with the Holy Spirit, fellowship, music, worship, great food, and fun. It is time to pray about who in your Church Community will be blessed by this experience.

Applications for participants are available on the Diocese website. Further information is available from the registrar, also listed on the [website](#). If you are so led, Team applications are there, also.



Brewton-Parker College Dedicates Residence Hall to John E. Roller



WORDS OF ADMIRATION—Mount Vernon Mayor Joey Fountain speaks during the August 11 dedication ceremony for the John E. Roller Residence Hall at Brewton-Parker College. The structure will primarily house female nursing students and went into service immediately following the ceremony

By Makaylee Randolph Contributing Writer

Brewton-Parker College held a dedication ceremony and ribbon cutting for the new John E. Roller Residence Hall on August 11. The name of the hall serves to honor the memory of John E. Roller, a devoted community leader and friend to the college for several years. The ceremony was held outside and attended by numerous BPC employees, community leaders, and friends and family of Roller. BPC President Dr. Steve Echols, Chairman of the Holland-Underwood Foundation Don Christian, Mayor Joey Fountain, and Family Friend Ellis Wood all spoke on behalf of the legacy that Roller had imprinted upon both the school and the community. Roller was a native of the community. He graduated from the Mount Vernon-Ailey School before attending the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta and working as a commissioned officer in the Public Health Service. Once he returned to his hometown, he worked as a civil engineer with Holland Contracting Company, which later became Reeves Construction Company. Roller was a member of the Mount Vernon City Council and Altamaha Regional Water Planning Council, as well as a director of Mount Vernon and an avid supporter of Brewton-Parker College. “John Roller, his family, and the Holland-Underwood Foundation, which was led by John Roller for many years, have been pivotal to the growth and continuation of BPC,” President Echols explained to the crowd. He shared that a large amount of the funding for the \$750,000 renovation of the hall stemmed from the Roller Family and Holland-Underwood Foundation. The building previously known as Robinson Hall will primarily house female nursing students but will also have minimal openings of unfilled units for female students who desire single-occupancy housing. The hall has a 30-inhabitant maximum. This project began in January 2020 and has faced numerous delays because of COVID. Contractor Danny Fountain worked through the challenges with the help of many subcontractors to complete the project literally on the morning of August 11 as new doors were installed. Echols said that this upgrade in the residence hall was just a small glimpse of the success of the school, which Echols stated he believed Roller “would be overjoyed with.” Chairman of the Holland-Underwood Foundation Don Christian spoke about Roller’s excellence as a friend to all the people with whom he worked. “John truly made sure we had a family atmosphere — that people knew he cared about them.” Mount Vernon Mayor Joey Fountain mentioned the guidance Roller personally provided him when he became a government leader. “I looked up to John; he was a mentor to me,” Fountain explained. “He worked to be the best he could possibly be, and I learned from that.” Following the dedication, the Roller family joined a few BPC administrators for an official ribbon cutting and a tour of the updated residence hall. The building went into immediate use as students began moving in ahead of with whom he worked. “John truly made sure we had a family atmosphere — that people knew he cared about them.” Mount Vernon Mayor Joey Fountain mentioned the guidance Roller personally provided him when he became a government leader. “I looked up to John; he was a mentor to me,” Fountain explained. “He worked to be the best he could possibly be, and I learned from that.” Following the dedication, the Roller family joined a few BPC administrators for an official ribbon cutting and a tour of the updated residence hall. The building went into immediate use as students began moving in ahead of the start of the semester.

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).



September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 HONOR LABOR			1	2	3 <i>ECW Meeting & Set-Up 10:00 am</i> <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Rev. Denise's Day off</i>	4
5 The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II Live-stream 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II	6 Office 	7	8	9	10 <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Rev. Denise's Day off</i>	11
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19 The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II Live-stream 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II ECW Coffee Hour after the 10:30 service.	20	21	22	23	24 <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Rev. Denise's Day off</i>	25 <i>Cursillo Team Meeting Parrish Hall</i>
26 The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:15 am Nursery 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II Live-stream 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II Vestry Meeting at 11:45 am.	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

Sylvia and Fred Dennis, friends of Dennis and Therisa Ingley for healing.

Family of Greg May, for comfort.

Sharon Lee, Shannon Martin's mom, for comfort and healing.

Roxanne Kimbell, for comfort and healing.

Margaret and Steve Fullam, for comfort.

Dyson Ingley, for comfort and healing.

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.

Doak Morrison, friend of Carol Rice, for comfort and healing.

Curtis Row and family, friends 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.



September Birthdays:

Larry Threlkeld 6th; Lillian Champion 11th; Emily Lowman 24th; Courtney Davis 25th; Shanna Annabelle Edge 27th; Bobby Hamilton 29th

September Anniversaries:

Thom and Jane -Hall Williams 4th; Bill and Bettina Linden-Glass 10th.



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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.



SEPTEMBER 2021 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
September 5	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Beverly Thompson
September 12	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Jack Dell
September 19	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Victoria Bausch	Beverly Thompson
September 26	Donnie Alderman	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Jack Dell

	Altar Guild	Greeters/Bread & Wine	Acolyte	Alms/Usher
September 5	Phyllis Roan	Fernando Hidalgo		Fernando Hidalgo
September 12	Jackie Moses	Hugh Jordan	Madison Storkamp	Hugh Jordan
September 19	Lynette Dell	Lynette Dell/Teresa Edge	Josiah Perez	Jack Dell
September 26	Susan Threlkeld	Larry & Susan Threlkeld	Sarah Solis	Larry Threlkeld

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counters
September 5		Beverly Thompson
September 12		Jack Dell
September 19	ECW Coffee Hour	Victoria Bausch
September 26		Dorsey Ladson McMichael

Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – July 25, 2021 at 12:15 pm

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



Member Absent: Victoria Bausch

Treasurer Present: Frank Champion; Clerk Present: Beverly Thompson

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

Vestry Meeting minutes for May 2021 were reviewed; Frank moved to approve minutes, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed.
Note: June Vestry Meeting was not held due to lack of quorum.

Treasurer's Report: (Frank) Since no vestry meeting was held in June, both the May 2021 and June 2021 Financial Reports were reviewed. Income for May was \$18735 (includes \$150 Restricted Funds Income); May expenses total was \$12,076; May net income was \$6659. Matt moved to approve the May 2021 Financial Report, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed. Income for June was \$14756 (includes \$2700 Restricted Funds Income); June expenses total was \$12,938; June net income was \$1818. Dorsey moved to approve the June 2021 Financial Report, 2nd by Matt, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Dorsey) Wind chimes in memory of Latrelle Stockton are hung and are chiming in columbarium area. She still plans to pursue removal of the Live Oak tree.

Junior Warden's Report: (Matt) Matt agrees that the two hardwood trees in front of the church building need to be removed. The holly trees will not be removed at this time. Rev. Denise's computer is compatible with the replacement that has been recommended. The drainage ditch is working without any flooding of the church yard.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) Karen is going to purchase an electric trimmer to use on the shrubs and will loan it to the church for use on shrubs. Frank will assist with the trimming. AC in church building was fixed by Alexander Brothers; bill has not been received yet. Thanks to Matt Norton who checked the AC before Alexander Bros were called. There is a water leak in the ladies' bathroom; Matt Storkamp will check it. A letter has been received from the Bishop's office regarding safety practices dealing with the pandemic. It encourages that best practices be exercised with close consideration of the numbers of COVID cases in our area. Rectors are charged with making decisions regarding how to keep parishioners safe. A second letter from the Bishop's office stated that Delta Variant COVID cases are increasing; again it is the responsibility of rectors to determine actions that are needed. Rev. Denise is keeping close watch on rising COVID numbers in our area and will take action as needed. Jerry Yates is leaving us; he and Terri are moving to be close to their daughter, Sarah, in the Atlanta area. Jerry has been a faithful and constant church member and they both will be greatly missed. Jerry's position on Vestry needs to be filled by appointment today; he would roll off at the end of 2021. In September/October, two new Vestry members for 2022 will be considered by the nominating committee. Next month, two delegates from Annunciation to Diocesan Convention in November 2021 at Jekyll Island will be elected. School supplies and backpacks will be blessed on August 1st at 10:30 am service. Rev. Denise will be on vacation from August 4 – August 14. Rebecca Miller will lead morning prayer on Sunday, August 8th at 10:30 am service; there will be no 8 am service on August 8th. We will have a tent at the Back to School Bash on Saturday, August 7th; small bottles of water are being collected to give out at the Bash. ECW will meet and eat at Rio Grande on Sunday, August 8th after 10:30 am service. ECW Coffee Hour will be held on Sunday, August 15, after the 10:30 am service. Next Vestry Meeting will be Sunday, August 22nd at 11:45 am. Parents' Night Out will be 5:30 – 7:30 pm on Friday, August 27th. Youth Sunday and Covered Dish Luncheon is planned for August 29th.

Business:

1. Frank moved that the two hardwood trees in front of the church building be removed as well as the Live Oak tree, 2nd by Matt, motion passed. Dorsey will get bids (three if possible) for removal of the trees.
2. Matt moved that Beverly Thompson be appointed to replace Jerry Yates until next vestry election, 2nd by Frank, motion passed.
3. Frank Champion, Hugh Jordan, and possibly Wes Chapman if schedule allows, will complete the church audit before August vestry meeting; it is due to Diocesan Office by 9/1/2021.
4. Two new altar chairs in memory and thanksgiving for Hughes Threlkeld have been delivered. Harry Moses recommended Dick, a wood worker, who came and looked at the chairs. He can add to the height of the chairs; there is money in the memorial fund to pay for it. He will pick up the chairs to do the work.
5. Beverly Thompson has talked with Ashley Paine about Annunciation providing assistance to the Department of Family and Children Services regarding foster children and family needs. We will continue to communicate with her about needs and how we can help.
6. Volunteer assignments for Collection Counters for the month of August were completed. Thanks to Jack Dell for the new form that he designed; it is being used by the counters and is liked by all.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered during meeting.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 1:15 pm.

Beverly Thompson

Beverly Thompson, Clerk for the Vestry

