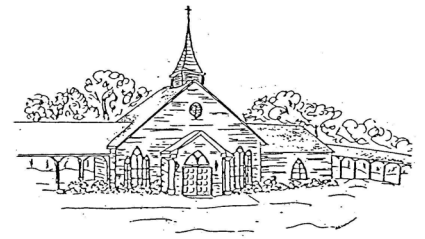




# Our Parish Life



## March 2022



# 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 Rt. Rev. Frank Logue  
*Bishop, The Diocese of Georgia*

The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn  
*Rector, Annunciation*

The Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick  
*Deacon-Retired*

**Christina Storkamp, Treasurer**

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**Karen Hidalgo, Church Secretary**

**Beverly Thompson, Clerk to the Vestry**

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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.**

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 going to our facebook page every Sunday at 10:30 for worship, or catch us later for the recorded service! If you would like to have a copy of the service, please let Karen in the church office know.

### **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 5:30-7:30 pm in the parish hall. Pancake cooks and helpers needed. Please let the church office know if you can help.

### **Ash Wednesday Services**

Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist  
Wednesday, March 2, 12:00 noon & 6:00 pm.

### **Lent Madness Begins, Thursday, March 3**

Here's how to participate: on the weekdays of Lent, information is posted at [www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org).

**Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday March 13, 2022.**  
**Don't forget to set clocks forward before bed Saturday night.**

**St. Patrick's ECW Coffee Hour**  
**Sunday, March 13, after 10:30 service.**

**Rev. Denise's Vacation**  
**Monday, March 14 through Monday, March 21.**

**Morning Prayer, Sunday, March 20. No 8:00 am service.**

**Vestry Meeting, Sunday, March 27, at 11:45 am.**



Dear People of Annunciation,

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday March 2. Seeking to keep a holy Lent has always been a challenge for many of us. We tend to think of this season as rather serious with no fun allowed. I guess that is somewhat true. It is a time we step back and consider the ways we fall short in living out our faith. It is a season of self-denial, with an emphasis on repenting from sin and receiving God's forgiveness. Lent can be hard work and not always pain free, but if we do the hard work, it can be the start of profound healing and a time of strengthening our spiritual lives. It can be a time that we discover anew our love and need of God in our lives.

The word "Lent" comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *lencton*, referring to the springtime of the year when the days grow longer and warmer and brighter. Lent first came about in our Christian history, as a season of final preparation for those who would be baptized at the Great Vigil of Easter. In time, the season took on added meaning. It became a time of repentance and of taking on additional practices to help us consider our spiritual health. Some of the classic Lenten practices include prayer, study of scripture, fasting, and self-denial.

(The following is taken from Forward Movement and written by Scott Gun) "Reading scripture is always good, and there are lots of apps (including the free Forward Movement app, available on [iOS](#) and [Google Play](#)) to help with that. We also offer [podcasts](#) to be your companion on the way.

If you like a daily devotional, there's always [Forward Day by Day](#). This year, Forward Movement partnered with Washington National Cathedral on a book of daily devotions for the season. You can buy [The Pilgrim Way of Lent: Meditations from Washington National Cathedral](#) as a book or ebook.

[Lent Madness](#) is a fun way to see how people of all nations, cultures, and times can be disciples of Jesus. If you're looking for something "less serious" for the season, the Saintry Smackdown will be just the thing. If you want something else that's outside the box, [ChurchNext](#) offers several courses that may work for you.

[The Way of Love: A Practical Guide to Following Jesus](#), is a gentle and encouraging guide to going deeper with spiritual practices. If you always wanted to pray more or find ways to study, or go deeper in some other way, The Way of Love could be useful."

These are just a few of the many resources available to make Lent a growing and brighter season in your life. I hope you and your family will enjoy the Lenten Meditation books you received from the church. I also hope you will participate in the Lenten Book Study, 1Book1Diocese. We are reading Rachel Held Evans book: *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again*. Study guides are available in the Narthex or on the Diocese of Georgia website.

If you are interested in doing some additional Lenten work here are a few questions you might ask and meditate on during these weeks of Lent: How are you living the gospel in your life, your home, your church, your town, your place of work? In what ways have you fallen short, or failed to love God? In what ways have you grown in your spiritual walk with God that you can celebrate with gratitude and joy?

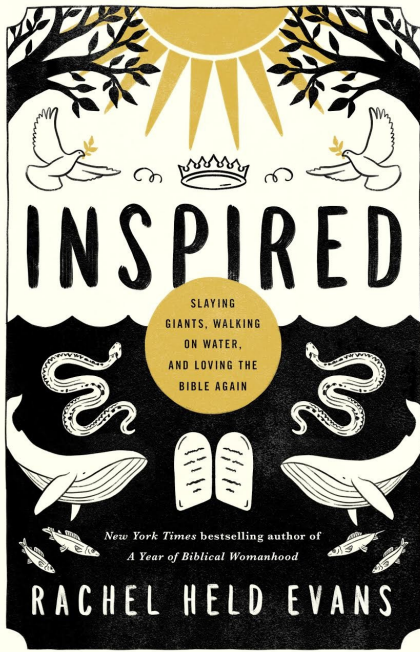
As our prayer book bids us, let us prepare with joy for the Paschal feast.

Denise+



## 1Book1Diocese for Lent

The 1Book1Diocese for Lent is *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* by Rachel Held Evans.



The author, who died in 2019, wrote of this book when it was published "Perhaps more than any other book I've written, *Inspired* is intended to be read, wrestled with, discussed, debated, and creatively engaged with in the context of community. And that's precisely because the Bible invites us to do the same."

Bishop Logue said, "Rachel was a thoughtful Christian whose books remain as a testament to the deep, authentic faith of a woman who had a way with God's word offering a healing balm to those who most needed Jesus' love." He added, "I have heard her called the C.S. Lewis for the post Baby Boom generations and I find that not hyperbole, but naming rightly the importance of her work."

Many Lenten studies start on the week after Ash Wednesday and conclude in Holy Week to fit an every Wednesday pattern for meetings. As *Inspired* is divided into eight sections, the Diocese of Georgia's 1Book1Diocese read will start the week of Ash Wednesday and conclude in Easter Week. The reading guide for the Diocese of Georgia can be found at <https://gaepiscopal.org>.

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, March 1, 5:30-7:00 pm. Pancake Cooks and Helpers Needed! Featuring a baked apple pancake. Please let the church office know if you can help.

Shrove Tuesday  
Pancake Dinner



## Ash Wednesday Services

Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, March 2, 12:00 noon & 6:00 pm.

12/28/2021

Dear Church of the Annunciation,

Thank you so much for your generous donation of \$219 to the United Thank Offering. The full 2021 Ingathering will support care of creation grants. We are so grateful for your support.

Sincerely,  
The UTO Board and Staff

This receipt conforms to the IRS guidelines and should be maintained with your tax papers. Any goods or services provided to you consists solely of intangible religious benefits.

## Thank You's...

To Frank Champion, our new Jr. Warden for the great job you did pressure washing the side walks around the buildings. They look amazing.





## Lent Madness

Can you have fun in Lent? Yes, if you play along with Lent Madness—a basketball-inspired, bracket-style holy competition to see which of the 32 saints earns the coveted Golden Halo. While it all seems very frivolous, you'll learn about the saints along the way. By the time Holy Week comes along, you'll see how God works in the lives of ordinary people to shine the light of Christ's love in a world in need of hope.

Bloggers provide biographies to help fans choose which saint they'll vote for each day throughout Lent.

Sixteen 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 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.

Through the humor and online communion, Lent Madness helps us to get to know some amazing people who have come before us in the faith and reminds us that there's no reason for a dreary Lenten discipline.

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## New Willow Oak Trees







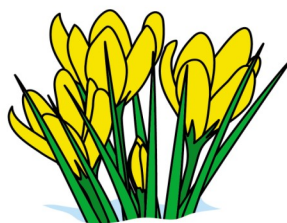
You may have noticed two new Willow Oak trees planted in the front of the Church. One tree was purchased with memorial money that was designated to plant a tree in thanksgiving for the life of Latrelle Stockton. The other oak was purchased by Harry and Jackie Moses as an honorarium in thanksgiving for Latrelle. Thank you Harry and Jackie for your donation and thank you to our Junior Warden, Frank for planting one of the Willow Oaks.

## Altar Flowers

**Altar flowers are available for dedication, memorial or in thanksgiving. The cost is \$50 for one.**



# March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 		<b>1</b> <b>Shrove</b> <b>Tuesday</b> <b>Pancake</b> <b>Supper</b> <b>5:30-7:30</b> <b>pm in the</b> <b>Parrish</b> <b>Hall.</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Ash</b> <b>Wednesday</b> <b>Services</b> <b>12:00 pm and</b> <b>6:00 pm.</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Lent</b> <b>Madness</b> <b>begins.</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6 The First Sunday in Lent</b>  <b>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b> <b>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b>  <b>Live-stream</b> <b>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Office</b> <b>Closed</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Office</b> <b>Closed</b>  <b>Rev.</b> <b>Denise's</b> <b>Day off</b>	<b>12</b>  <b>Don't</b> <b>forget to</b> <b>set your</b> <b>clocks</b> <b>forward</b> <b>one hour</b> <b>before</b> <b>bed.</b>
<b>13 The Second Sunday in Lent</b>  <b>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b> <b>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b>  <b>Live-stream</b> <b>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b>  <b>St. Patrick's ECW Coffee Hour</b> <b>after 10:30 service.</b>  <b>Daylight Savings Time Begins</b>	<b>14</b>  <b>Rev.</b> <b>Denise</b> <b>Off thru</b> <b>March</b> <b>21st.</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Office</b> <b>Closed</b>  <b>Happy</b> <b>St.</b> <b>Patrick's</b> <b>Day!</b>  	<b>18</b> <b>Office</b> <b>Closed</b>  <b>Rev.</b> <b>Denise's</b> <b>Day off</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20 The Third Sunday in Lent</b>  <b>No 8:00 am service</b> <b>10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. I</b>  <b>Live-stream</b> <b>10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. I</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Office</b> <b>Closed</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Office</b> <b>Closed</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27 The Fourth Sunday in Lent</b>  <b>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b> <b>10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. I</b>  <b>Live-stream Holy Eucharist Rt. I</b> <b>10:30 am</b>  <b>Vestry Meeting at 11:45 am.</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	  	

## **Our Parish Prayer List**



### **We pray for the safety and security of**

The United States of America and especially those serving our country: 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**

Richard Belles, for comfort and healing.

Jean and Mark Szatkowsky, for comfort and healing.

### **We continue Prayers for**

Sherron Threlkeld and family for comfort.

Rebecca Miller, for comfort and healing.

Mandi Parker Blount, friend of Twalla Haley, for comfort and healing.

Peggy Collins, friend to Jean Szatkowski, for healing.

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

Roxanne Kimbell, for comfort and healing.

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

Jean Goff, Johanna Derrick's sister, 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.

Samantha Leamy, daughter of Ann Childers, for comfort.

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

Jack & Pat Childers, for comfort and healing.

Felicia Adams, friend of Beverly Thompson, for strength and comfort.

Essia Howell and daughter Kelly for comfort and God's intervention.

Fran Williams, for comfort and healing.

### **Prayers for those who suffer with long-term illness**

Chuck Thompson and his sister Mary, for comfort and healing.

Danny, Christopher & Rob Bowen, family of Beverly Thompson, for comfort & healing.

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

Blanche Reaves, mother of Glenn Reaves, for comfort and healing.

Johanna Derrick, for healing.

Barbee Adams for healing.

### **Prayers for those who suffer from age related illnesses, and for the care-givers**

Mary Miller Cook, Rebecca Miller's mom, for comfort and healing.

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 & 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](mailto:theannunciation@bellsouth.net).**



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

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



## Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – January 23, 2022 at 11:45 am



Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Dorsey McMichael, Frank Champion, Teresa Barrera-Edge, Beverly Thompson (Participated by Phone), Victoria Bausch, Matt Storkamp

Guest Present: Twalla Haley; Treasurer Present: Frank Champion; Treasurer-Elect Absent: Christina Storkamp; Clerk Present (By Phone): Beverly Thompson

Meeting was called to order by Rev. Denise with prayer at 12:15 pm, following lunch.  
Vestry Meditations were read and discussed.

Vestry Meeting minutes for December 2021 were reviewed; Frank moved to approve minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: (Frank) December 2021 Financial Report was reviewed by Frank. December Income was \$20,522; December Expenses were \$13,749; Net Income for December was \$6773. End-of-Year Income was \$161,619 (includes \$11,309 Restricted Income and \$9001 deposit from Bank of America Investment Fund); End -of-Year expenses were \$157,802; End-of-Year Net Income was \$3817. End-of-Year worth of Max and Christie Manry Memorial Investment Fund at State Street Global is \$186,157.66. End-of-Year worth of Bank of America Church Corp Investment Fund is \$278,978.37. Matt moved to approve December Financial Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dorsey, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Dorsey) Dorsey is trying to get commitment from Greg Brandenburg to plant Willow Oak Tree in church yard. Ed Wonn is preparing the wood from Live Oak to build bench in memory of Fr. Ron Southerland.

Junior Warden's Report: (Matt and Rev. Denise) After numerous phone calls, the Dublin Construction Company has been reached; contract is being signed and sent to project manager who said it will be about 6 months before the roof work will be completed on office building. New ceiling tiles will be needed in Karen's office after new roof is completed. Jim Carroll has taken out rotted wood and re-caulked around the stained-glass window. More leakage was evident on the credence table and ledge after next rain. Jim Carroll came last week and did more repair; waiting to see if leakage continues after next rain.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) Nineteen pledge cards have now been received with pledged amount of \$108,900 for 2022. Annual Meeting will be after 10:30 service in the nave of the church on January 30<sup>th</sup> followed by a light lunch in the narthex. There will be a short vestry meeting after annual meeting. Youth Sunday will also be on January 30<sup>th</sup>. Youth will help re-organize food pantry in old nave during annual meeting. Lenten Study will not be in person this year; we will participate in the 1Book, 1Diocese Study of *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* by Rachel Held Evans. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will hopefully be in person on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Ash Wednesday Services will be on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Paige Williamson's info on free COVID tests at covidtest.gov will be shared with congregation. This is last vestry meeting that Teresa Barrera-Edge will attend as a member. Rev. Denise thanked her for her faithful participation and wonderful help during the last three years. Next Vestry Meeting is tentatively set for February 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am; February meeting date and time will be finalized by new vestry when it gathers for a short meeting after annual meeting on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Business:

1. Frank moved that Rev. Denise be given an increase of 5% in compensation in 2022, to be applied to her housing allowance; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt, motion passed.
2. Proposed 2022 Budget was reviewed by Frank. Projected Income for 2022 Budget is \$144,500. Projected Expenses for 2022 Budget is \$165,302.55. Projected 2022 Deficit is \$20,802.55. Matt moved to approve the Proposed Budget for 2022, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dorsey, motion passed.
3. Frank moved that the allowed amount (around 4%) that can be withdrawn from our Bank of America Church Corp Investment Account be taken out now rather than later, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt, motion passed.
4. Dorsey presented letter that has been prepared to send to Canon Katie Easterlin regarding having the ability to withdraw an amount greater than the allowed 4% from Bank of America Church Corp Investment Fund when and if needed. Frank moved that the letter be sent by Dorsey on behalf of Vestry, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt, motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned with Lord's Prayer at 1:15 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.*



**MARCH 2022 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE**

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
March 6	Twalla Haley		Hugh Jordan	Teresa Edge
March 13	Donnie Alderman		Hugh Jordan	Harry Moses
March 20	No 8:00 am service		Victoria Bausch	_____
March 27	Donnie Alderman		Larry Threlkeld	Beverly Thompson

	Altar Guild	Greeters/Bread & Wine	Acolyte	Alms/Usher
March 6	Anne Roller	Anne Roller	Sarah Solis	Anne Roller
March 13	Christie Roller	Christie Roller	Madison Storkamp	Christie Roller
March 20	Jackie Moses	Jackie Moses	Anderson Hornick	Jackie Moses
March 27	Lynette Dell	Lynette Dell	Josiah Perez	Lynette Dell

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counter	Video Tech
March 6		Hugh Jordan/Teresa Edge	Christina Storkamp
March 13	ECW Coffee Hour	Hugh Jordan/ Carol Rice	Christina Storkamp
March 20		Victoria Bausch / Jack Dell	Christina Storkamp
March 27		Beverly Thompson/Dorsey McMichael	Christina Storkamp