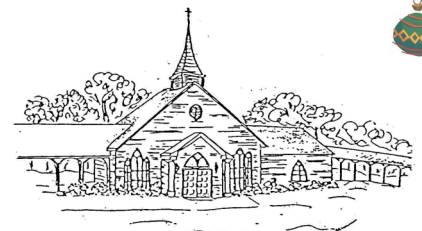




Our Parish Life



December 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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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

Advent Bible Study

Feast of Feasts written by Bishop Frank & Victoria Logue.
See page 3 for more information.

Angel Tree

ECW is again sponsoring the Angel Tree this Christmas season. Look for the Angel Tree located in the Narthex, filled with Christmas wishes for children and families assigned to us by the local Salvation Army. See page 3 for more information.

ECW Christmas Coffee Hour

Sunday, December 11, 2022. Bring your favorite Christmas cookie to share with everyone.

Youth Christmas Gift Exchange, Lunch and Outing

Sunday, December 11, 2022 after 10:30 service.

Vestry Meeting, Sunday December 18, 11:45 am.

Greening of the Church

Monday, December 19, through Thursday, December 22nd. Volunteers needed.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services 4:00 & 6:30 pm

Saturday, December 24, 4:00 pm, Children's Christmas Pageant .
Reception following the services.

Christmas Day Service

Sunday, December 25, 10:30am, Morning Prayer Rt. II.
There will be no 8:00 am service.

The First Sunday after Christmas Day January 1, 2023,

The King's College Festival of Carols at 10:30 am.
No 8:00 am service & No Eucharist at 10:30 am

Non perishable food needed for our Church Pantry Reverse Advent Calendar with list of needed items on page 3. Bring your items into the Narthex or Church office. Thank you for your donations.

Christian Education for Adults and Children

Adults 9:30 am. Children elementary school and younger 10:20 am.
Nursery Available, Sundays, at 10:15 for the 10:30 service.





Dear People of Annunciation,

It is a fact of history and revelation that Jesus was born. The Gospels, however, do not give us a precise date of his birth. It wasn't until the fourth century, with the development of liturgical observances of the events of biblical history, that Christians became more interested in setting a date to observe Christ's birth. It was in Rome, in 336, that Christmas was first celebrated on December 25. The observance of Christmas commemorating the Incarnation of the Word of God in the birth of Jesus Christ spread quickly throughout the world; with Christmas Day becoming one of the seven principal feast days in the church year. The Christmas season lasts twelve days, from Christmas Day until January 5, the day before the Epiphany. (The following Litany is reprinted from *The Wideness of God's Mercy* by Jeffery Rowthorn)

Christmas Present

For all who give you a face, Lord Jesus,
by spreading your love in the world: *We praise you.*

For all who give you hands, Lord Jesus,
by doing their best toward their brothers and sisters: *We praise you.*

For all who give you a mouth, Lord Jesus,
by defending the weak and the oppressed: *We praise you.*

For all who give you eyes, Lord Jesus,
by seeing every bit of love in the heart of man and woman: *We praise you.*

For all who give you a heart, Lord Jesus,
by preferring the poor to the rich, the weak to the strong: *We praise you.*

For all who give to your poverty, Lord Jesus,
the look of hope for the Kingdom: *We praise you.*

For all who reveal you simply by what they are, Lord Jesus,
because they reflect your beauty in their lives: *We praise you.*

God our Father, you are God of a thousand faces,
yet nothing can reveal you completely except the face of the child of Bethlehem"
We praise you.

Continue in our lives the mystery of Christmas. Let your Son become flesh in us so that we may be for all our brothers and sisters the revelation of your ever-present love. Amen.

May the love of Christ fill you with all joy and peace this Christmas Season,

Denise+



Angel Tree



ECW is again sponsoring the **Angel Tree** this Christmas season. Look for the **Angel Tree** located in the Narthex, filled with Christmas wishes for children and families assigned to us by the local Salvation Army. Take one or more “**Angels**” to help with this Christmas outreach project; write your name and family letter from ornament on the sign-up sheet; and return ornament(s) with gift(s) by Sunday, December 18th. Thank you.

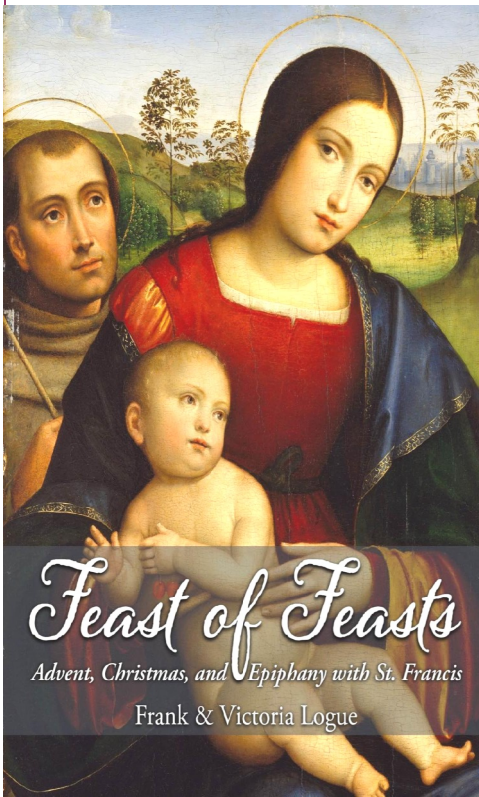


Advent Bible Study

Feast of Feasts written by Bishop Frank & Victoria Logue

Take a journey from Advent to Epiphany that follows Jesus in the way of St. Francis of Assisi. The Diocese of Georgia will offer daily devotions written by Bishop Frank and Victoria Logue for a 7-week study. The short daily readings use the lens of Franciscan ideals including humility, simplicity, and peace as a focal point of each week. The study will be posted on the diocesan website and offered to churches for free use.

Each week will have a companion video that expands on the theme of the week posted on the Diocesan YouTube Channel. If you would like the study in book form, there will be the option to purchase a hard copy book at cost or the Kindle version on Amazon for \$5. For those who have a Kindle Unlimited subscription, the book is free. The devotions will be posted online daily at www.GAepiscopal.org that began on the First Sunday of Advent, November 27.



Reverse Advent Calendar

Beginning December 1st, each day add an item to a box and on Christmas Eve or before, donate the contents to our food pantry.



December 1– box of cereal
December 2– peanut butter
December 3- stuffing mix
December 4- boxed potatoes
December 5- macaroni and cheese
December 6- canned fruit
December 7– canned tomatoes
December 8– canned meat
December 9 - dessert mix
December 10– jar of applesauce
December 11– canned sweet potatoes
December 12– cranberry sauce

December 13– canned beans
December 14– box of crackers
December 15– package of rice
December 16– package of oatmeal
December 17– package of pasta
December 18– spaghetti sauce
December 19– chicken noodle soup
December 20– tomato soup
December 21--can corn
December 22– can mixed vegetables
December 23– can carrots
December 24-can green beans



Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Reception following the each service

The Blessing of Christmas is that God put a baby in a manger. But the greater blessing is that the baby didn't stay there. Jesus is Emmanuel. God *with us*.

4:00 pm Holy Eucharist Rite II

Youth Christmas Pageant
The Christmas Journey

6:30 pm Holy Eucharist Rite II



Christmas Flowers and Decorations



The Flower Guild will soon be purchasing Christmas Flowers and decorations for the Altar, Windows and Doors. If you have a loved one you wish to remember, please complete the order form in the Sunday bulletin and return it to the Church office, or you may place it in the offertory plate. Please make checks payable to Annunciation, earmarked "Flower Guild Christmas Flowers" Flowers are \$25 each, but any amount may be given to offset the Flower Guild expenses. Our Thanks to each of you!



Youth Christmas Gift Exchange, Lunch and Outing

Sunday, December 11, 2022 after 10:30 service.


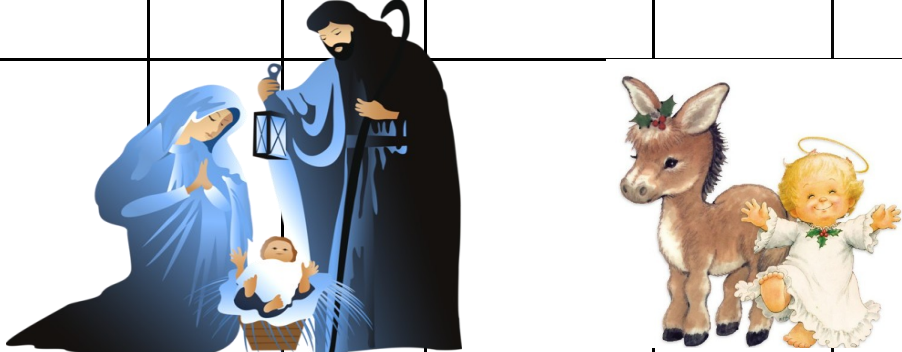


Thank You's...

Thank you to everyone who donated the shoeboxes delivered to Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child.



December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p>4 The Second Sunday of Advent</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p> <p>Live-stream 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p>	5	6	7	8 Office Closed	9 Rev. Denise's Day Off	10
<p>11 The Third Sunday of Advent</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p> <p>Live-stream 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p> <p>ECW Coffee Christmas Cookie Coffee Hour</p> <p>Youth Gift Exchange Luncheon and Outing after 10:30 service</p>	12 Bee Keepers Meeting Parish Hall 6:00 pm.	13	14	15 Office Closed	16 Rev. Denise's Day Off	17
<p>18 The Fourth Sunday of Advent</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p> <p>Live-stream 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p> <p>Vestry Meeting 11:45 am.</p> <p>Greening of the Church begins 12:00 noon through Thursday December 22.</p>	19 Greening of the church through Thursday	20 Greening of the Church	21 Greening of the Church	22 Office Closed Greening of the Church	23 Rev. Denise's Day Off	24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 4:00 pm and 6:30 pm.
<p>25 The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ</p> <p>No 8:00 am service 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II</p> <p>Live-stream 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II</p>	26 Rev. Denise off through the 5th.	27	28	29 Office Closed	30 Rev. Denise's Day Off	31
<p>January 1st</p> <p>The First Sunday after Christmas Day: Holy Name</p> <p>No 8:00 am Service 10:30 The King's College Festival of Carols No Eucharist</p>						

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

Barbara Creamer, for comfort and healing.

We continue Prayers for

Margaret & Steve Fullam & family for comfort.

Cathy Belles & family, for comfort and healing.

Mike Stocky, nephew to Tom & Betty Jo Sadler, for comfort and healing.

Finta Beasley, friend of the Derrick family, 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.

Grace Alexander for comfort and healing.

JoAnne, for healing.

Quinten Turpin, for comfort and healing.

Todd Alexander, for healing.

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

Mindy Coleman, Ann Bowman's niece, for comfort and healing.

Jean and Mark Szatkowsky, for comfort and healing.

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.

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

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

Tom and Betty Jo Sadler & family for continued healing.

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

Mildred 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.



December Birthdays: Harry Moses 1st; Natalie Rau 1st; Jerry Roan 2nd;
Brody Jones 7th; Katherine Moira Ladson 8th; Marianne Perez 9th; Abigail Embry 12th;
Shanna Edge 12th; Christie Roller 12th; Dyson Ingley 13th; Anderson Hornick 13th;
Martha Dekle 15th; Carol Rice 23.

December Anniversaries: Dennis & Therisa Ingley 19th; Larry & Susan Threlkeld 30th.



Vestry Meeting: September 25, 2022



Attending: Denise, Frank, Dorsey, Beverly, Ken.

Absent: Matt, Victoria, Twalla, Christina

Called to order at 12:15, after lunch enjoyed from 11:45 to 12:15. Quorum was not present.

Vestry meditation completed.

August minutes read. Frank moved to approve, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed if additional approval given by Matt via email.

Treasurers report was reviewed. Frank moved to approve, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed if additional approval is given by Matt via email.

Frank moved that we will no longer record Restricted Funds in Quickbooks Program. We will enter Restricted Funds in the Excel Spreadsheet. We will continue to use QuickBooks to create our monthly Profit and Loss Budget Report. 2nd by Dorsey. Motion passed if additional approval is given by Matt via email.

Sr Warden - no report

Jr Warden - water bill has gone back down. Broken sprinkler heads will be replaced.

Delegates to convention: We need two voting delegates to go. Dorsey may go. Rebecca Miller may go. Beverly will go if needed.

Rector's Report: Sunday school going well. Pledge Drive in full swing. Bylaws tabled until October meeting. Kids may go to Poppell Farms on 10/29/2022. Next Vestry meeting will be on Sunday, 10/30/2022.

Adjourned at 1:35 with Lord's Prayer.

Vestry Meeting October 30, 2022

Attendees: Dorsey, Ken, Matthew, Frank, Denise, and Twalla

Absent: Christina, and Beverly

After lunch was enjoyed from 11:45 AM to 12:15PM, the meeting was called to order.

Vestry meditation was completed.

Everyone had read the September minutes, so Frank moved to approve, Matthew seconded, and all approved.

Financials: Denise advised that Total income \$12,386.00 for Sept., total expenses \$18,213.95 (Higher due to property taxes) itemized on Profit and Loss Budget Performance. Regarding restricted funds, Karen can't put 00 in because of the bank and QuickBooks; but found a way to make it appear as separate on reports. Sept.30 figures for BOA end market value \$198,891.07. Max Manry fund \$149,327.50. Matt made motion to approve and Frank seconded then all approved.

Jr. Warden reports that 7 or 8 sprinkler heads have been replaced. He discovered that there are two control boxes for sprinklers. A large one which controls water going to grass and that's the system that the sprinkler heads were replaced for. There's also a smaller box that controls water going to bushes around the sanctuary, and unfortunately one of the sprinkler heads for that system has been damaged and when water is on for that system it sprays directly onto the stained glass window at a 45 degree angle which has caused the water damage around that stained glass window. He has recommended that we not use the system controlled by the small box controller until he has time to fix. He will also be cleaning and lubing all doors of buildings on the property. Cherry trees are dying because of lack of mulch and weed eating too close to the roots.

Sr. Warden: Nothing to report.

Rector's report: Letter from Vicky Bausch resigning from the vestry due to health reasons. Need to find a person to fill this vacancy and get nominations for 2 new vestry members for next year. Need names for Nov. meeting.

Will hold off on by-laws review until after the new year and have new members of vestry on board.

Delegates to convention Nov. 11-12, Denise and Beverly in person, Rebecca Miller via zoom.

Vestry meeting in Nov. will be the 13th and in Dec. will be the 18th.

Advent study Wednesdays 6PM on Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, and 21st.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer at 1:15PM

Submitted by Twalla Haley



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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.



DECEMBER 2022 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
December 4	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Jack Dell
December 11	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Harry Moses
December 18	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Youth	Beverly Thompson
December 24	4:00 pm Lector Larry Threlkeld	4:00 pm Euch. Min. Teresa Edge	6:30 pm Lector Hugh Jordan	6:30 pm Eucharistic Minister Beverly Thompson
December 25			Rebecca Miller	

	Altar Guild	Greeters/Bread & Wine	Acolyte	Alms/Usher
December 4	Karen Hidalgo	Karen Hidalgo	Youth	Phyllis Roan
December 11	Jackie Moses	Jackie Moses	Youth	Jackie Moses
December 18	Lynette Dell	Lynette Dell	Youth	Lynette Dell
December 24 4:00 pm	Karen Hidalgo	Larry & Susan Threlkeld	Youth	Larry Threlkeld
December 24 6:30 pm	Karen Hidalgo	Karen Hidalgo	Youth	Hugh Jordan
December 25				

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counter	Video Tech
December 4		Hugh Jordan Jack Dell	TBD
December 11	ECW Coffee Hour	Jane Hall Williams /Carol Rice	TBD
December 18		Beverly Thompson Dorsey Ladson McMichael	TBD
December 24	Yuletide Reception after each service		TBD
December 25			TBD