

Our Parish Life





January 2023 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 Rev. Dcn. Burt Derrick

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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

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

January 1, 2023, The King's College Festival of Lessons and Carols at 10:30 am. No 8:00 am service & No Eucharist at 10:30 am

Rev. Denise Vacation

December 25 through January 5.

De-Greening of the Church

The Christmas decorations will need to come down Monday, January 2 - Friday, January 6. Call Lynette Dell if you can help.

The Baptism of Texie Joy Martin

Sunday, January 15, 2023. Reception following the 10:30 service.

Vestry Meeting

Sunday, January 22, 2023, at 11:45.

Annual Meeting & Youth Sunday

Sunday, January, 29, 2023 after the 10:30 service. Lunch will be served.

Non perishable food needed for our Church Pantry

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,

A Litany for Epiphany taken from "The Wideness of God's Mercy" by Jeffery Rowthorn

All the ends of the earth have see the salvation of our God, Alleluia! Shout to the Lord, all the earth, Alleluia!

With joy let us pray to our Savior, the Son of God who became one of us, saying: The grace of God be with us all.

O Christ, let your gospel shine in every place where the Word of life is not yet received. Draw the whole creation to yourself that your salvation may be known through all the earth. The grace of God be with us all.

O Christ, Savior and Lord, extend your church to every place.

Make it a place of welcome for people of every race and tongue.

The grace of God be with us all.

O Christ, Ruler of rulers, direct the work and thoughts of the leaders of nations that they may seek justice, and further peace and freedom for all. The grace of God be with us all.

O Christ, master of all, support of the weak and comfort of the afflicted, strengthen the tempted and raise the fallen. Watch over the lonely and those in danger. give hope to the despairing and sustain the faith of the persecuted. The grace of God be with us all.

O Christ, light made manifest as the true light of God, gladden our hearts on the joyful morning of your glory; call us by our name on the great Day of your coming; and give us grace to offer, with all the host of heaven, unending praise to God in whom all things find their ending, now and ever. Amen

May the light of Christ shine in your hearts now and always, Denise+



Annual Meeting Sunday, January 29

after the 10:30 service. Lunch will be provided.

The Annual Meeting is an important moment in the life of an Episcopal Church. As a denomination, we are governed by our members. Members are those 16 and older who have been baptized or confirmed in the Episcopal Church. If baptism or confirmation did not happen at Annunciation then, a Letter of Transfer from another Episcopal Church is needed. At the Annual Meeting we make important decisions together. We elect members of our vestry. Vestry members are representatives of the parish with specific responsibilities by the canons of The Episcopal Church. They share leadership responsibilities with the rector. Also, during the annual meeting, the parish receives reports from ministries, the treasurer, and a "State of the Church" report from the rector.

Nominee's for Vestry 2023

Martha Dekle

I was born in Massachusetts in December 1952. My father was in the U.S. Army and had been stationed in Fort Stewart. My mother was from Cobbtown, Georgia. I grew up in the Catholic Church, while the family was living in south Georgia. I became an Episcopalian while living in Brunswick, with Fr. Akridge at Baptism and later being received into the Episcopal Church. I have lived in Waycross, Brunswick, Macon, Florida and now Vidalia. I attended Georgia Southern College and Mercer University. I practiced law in Brunswick and was later a substitute teacher. I look forward to serving on the Vestry. I served as head of kitchen and fellowship and as president of Episcopal Church Women while in Brunswick.

Len Edge

My name is Leon Edge, I am 45 years old and I've been married to my wife, Teresa, for nearly 6 years. Together we have 10 beautiful children with ages ranging from 10-29 years old. We met in Clifton, Texas in 2013 and decided to move to Mount Vernon Georgia where I have lived my entire life. I worked in construction for 20 years, then 5 years in Hydro Turbine and I have recently changed my career to Fiber Optic Splicing. I have been a member of the church since 2018 and I am accepting God's calling for being involved in the Episcopal Church of the Annunciation community. Thank you for considering me to join you on the vestry.

Christmas and Epiphany 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.



Christina, Madison & Grace Storkamp, at the Frank Linia Playhouse In the Play, Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer.



Thank You's...

The Episcopal Church Women Cookie Exchange





Thank you to everyone who donated gifts and money for the Angel Tree families. Six families were helped this year!

Christmas Flowers are given to the Glory of God by

The John Roller Family, in Memory of Loved Ones.

Harry & Jackie Moses, in Memory of our Parents, Margaret & Jack Moses & Carolyn & Harry Moses.

Fernando & Karen Hidalgo, in Thanksgiving for family & friends.

The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn, in Memory & Thanksgiving for my family.

Ann Bowman, in Memory of all who celebrate in heaven, Ron, Mom & Dad, Elaine, and many other family and friends. Also in Honor of my children, Lisa, Karen, Larry, Richard & Jason and in Thanksgiving for Grandchildren and Great grandchildren.

Chuck & Beverly Thompson, in Memory of Ren & Bob Thompson, Carolyn and Ross Bowen.

Larry & Susan Threlkeld, in Memory of Polly & Howard Threlkeld, Ethlyn & Jack Brown, Hughes Threlkeld and Sadra B. Connell and in Thanksgiving for Anna & Jason Bring, Paul & Ansley Threlkeld, Mary Lawson & Jeb Bring, Hughes, Ella Bankes & Hamp Threlkeld.



January 2023

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Happy New Year!						
1 The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ	2	3	4	5	6 Rev.	7
No 8:00 am Service 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II No Eucharist Kings College Festival of Lessons and Carols.				Office Closed	Denise's Day Off	
Live-steam 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II						
8 The First Sunday after the	9	10	11	12	13	14
Epiphany: The Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II	Bee Keepers Meeting Parish Hall 6:00 pm.			Office Closed	Rev. Denise's Day Off	
Live-steam 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II	•					
15 The Second Sunday after the Epiphany	16	17	18	19	20	21
8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II				Office Closed	Rev. Denise's Day Off	
Baptism of Texie Joy Martin. Reception to follow.						
Live-steam 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II						
22 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany	23	24	25	26	27	28
8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II				Office Closed	Rev. Denise's Day Off	
Live-steam 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II						
Vestry Meeting at 11:45						
29 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany	30	31				
8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II						
Live-steam 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II		7/				
Annual Meeting at 11:45. Lunch will be served.						
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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: 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

Brad Scoggin, Ann Bowman's grandson, Karen Hidalgo's nephew, for comfort and healing.

Leah Yates, Jerry Yates mom, for comfort and healing.

Jerry & Phyllis Roan, for comfort and healing.

Barbara Creamer, friend of Jane Hall & Tom Williams 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.

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If you know of someone who should be added or removed from the list, please contact the Church office: 537-3776 or the annunciation@bellsouth.net.

January Birthdays: Matt Norton 2nd; Charlie Jordan 3rd; John Ladson 4th; Virginia Miller 4th; Ilsa Figuaro 9th; David Rice 19th; Ginny Threlkeld 19th; Madison Storkamp 21st; Brooke Derrick Holley 25th; Mary Margaret Barbee 30th; Alex Logan 25th.

January Anniversaries: Matthew & Christina Storkamp 4th; Richard & Milly Mann 5th.

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



Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – November 13, 2022 at 11:45 am

Members Present: The Very Reverend Denise Vaughn, Dorsey McMichael, Frank Champion, Twalla Haley, Beverly Thompson (By phone)

Members Absent: Matt Storkamp; Victoria Bausch has resigned from Vestry due to health reasons.

Treasurer Absent: Christina Storkamp; Clerk Present: Beverly Thompson (By Phone); Postulant Intern Present: Ken Shradar

Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Denise at 12:30 pm, following lunch shared by members. Vestry Meditation was read and discussed.

Vestry Meeting minutes for October 2022 were reviewed; Twalla moved to approve minutes with two corrections, 2^{nd} by

Dorsey, motion passed.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: (Denise for Christina) Financial Report for October 2022 was presented for review. October Income was \$7578.00. October Expenses were \$12,954.25. Deficit for October is \$5376.25. Income and expenses are typical for this time of year. Frank moved to approve the July Financial Report, 2nd by Dorsey, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Dorsey) No report.

<u>Junior Warden's Report</u>: (Frank) Leaking continues at the stained glass window and may be due to heavy rain. Broken light in front of church will be fixed by Frank. Pilot light may need lighting in Parish Hall for hot water. Lights in parking lot are on timer and need adjusting.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) Convention was uplifting. Bishop Frank Logue shared that the pandemic has had negative impact on church attendance throughout Diocese. He also shared that this is not only true in the Episcopal Church, but in all churches. His message was to joyfully take care of the little things and trust God with the rest. Regarding changes to our Bylaws, we may need to present them to Chancellor of Diocese before presenting for vote. Rev. Denise will get clarification on this. Pledges will be blessed on Christ the King Sunday, November 20, with an Appreciation Luncheon. Advent Wreath materials will be available on November 20 and 27. Angel Tree will be up on November 27. Advent Study begins on November 27 at the Diocese of Georgia Facebook page. Full text is available in *From the Field*. ECW Coffee \Hour will be held on December 11. Vestry will meet December 18 at 11:45 am. Christmas Eve Services will be on \Saturday, December 24 at 4 pm and 6:30 pm. Rev. Denise will be gone to visit her daughter December 25 – January 4 or 5. Ken Shrader will do Morning Prayer on Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25. Ken will also do Morning Prayer on New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1.

Business:

- 1. Donations in memory of Rich Belles will be used to purchase Prayer Books and for the youth.
- 2. Nominations for Vestry were discussed and will be finalized at December meeting.
- 3. Further work on Bylaws will be completed in 2023.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered.

Meeting was adjourned with Lord's Prayer at 1:25 pm.

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.

JANUARY 2023 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 a.m. Eucharistic Minister
January 1	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	
January 8	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Jack Dell
January 15	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Harry Moses
January 22	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Matthew Storkamp
January 29	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Youth	Beverly Thompson

	Altar Guild	Greeters/Bread & Wine	Acolyte	Alms/Usher
January 1	Lynette Dell	Lynette Dell	Youth	Lynette Dell
January 8	Karen Hidalgo	Karen Hidalgo	Youth	Karen Hidalgo
January 15	Jackie Moses	Jackie Moses	Youth	Jackie Moses
January 22	Anne Roller	Anne Roller	Youth	Anne Roller
January 29	Christie Roller	Christie Roller	Youth	Christie Roller

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counter	Video Tech
January 1		Hugh Jordan Beverly Thompson	TBD
January 8		Jack Dell Carol Rice	TBD
January 15	Baptism Reception after 10:30 service	Jane Hall Williams Beverly Thompson	TBD
January 22		Dorsey Ladson McMichael Carol Rice	TBD
January 29	Annual Meeting Lunch	Jack Dell Hugh Jordan	TBD