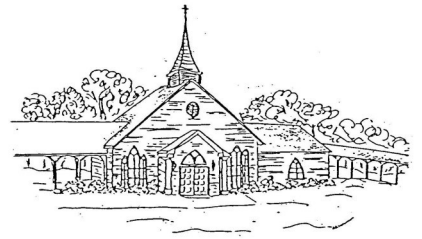




Our Parish Life



October 2026

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 Most Rev. Sean Rowe
Presiding Bishop

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

The Rev. Todd Hoover, Supply Priest

Rev. Burt Derrick, Deacon

Rebecca Miller, *Treasurer*

Kristen Champion, *Assistant Treasurer*

Karen Hidalgo, *Church Secretary*

Beverly Thompson, *Clerk to the Vestry*

2026 Vestry Members

Carol Rice Sr. Warden	912-537-8590
Len Edge Jr. Warden	912-423-9012
Kristen Champion	678-634-9329
Rebecca Miller	912-403-7531
Beverly Thompson	912-293-2385
Connie Deane	912-293-4866

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

Rev. Todd Hoover

Supply Priest 9:00 am & 10:30 am.

ECW Rummage Sale

Saturday, October 3rd, 8:00 am-1:00 pm.

Blessing of the Animals

October 4, at 9:00 & 10:30 am. Dogs should be on leash, cats and other small animals in carriers.

Baptism of Francine Leigh Champion

Sunday, October 11, 10:30 am service. Reception to follow.

Vestry Meeting

Sunday October 25, at 11:45 am.

Downtown Halloween Spooktacular

Thursday October 29, 5:30-7:30 pm, we will be handing out candy at the Downtown Vidalia Association's Halloween Spooktacular. They expect 1500+ kids to attend. We are asking for donations of Halloween Candy please.

All Saints Sunday Necrology & United Thank Offering

Collection boxes located on the table in the Narthex. Filled boxes will be collected Sunday, November 1, on All Saints Sunday.

Covered Dish

Sunday, November 1, after the 10:30 service.

Christian Education (Sunday School)

9:30 am for Children and youth. Nursery is available every Sunday.

Nonperishable food or monetary donations needed for our church pantry

Canned meats, soups with pop tops, grits, crackers, oatmeal, cereal, shelf stable milk, snacks and fruit cups, peanut butter crackers, soaps, even candy. These are some of the items needed for the pantry. Also, frozen and freezable items Such as hot dogs and buns, bread and sandwich meat. Please specify "Food Pantry" on monetary donations.



I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13:34-35, NRSV

Dear Friends,

Jesus promises us, "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places" (John 14:2). We believe this means that God's love is wide enough to hold us all, and that we are bound together in holy community.

This year's theme, *Plenty Good Room*, reminds us that stewardship is not only about financial and in-kind gifts. It is also about relationships – the ways we are connected to God, to one another, and to our neighbors.

Our parish budget is one way we tell the story of those relationships. Each pledge and gift sustains our common life: children growing in faith, neighbors receiving meals and care, worshippers being welcomed, and friends finding hope. Our budget is more than numbers; it is a reflection of our values and our mission.

In two weeks, you will receive a final letter with details about how to make your commitment to this year's campaign. For now, I invite you to consider the relationships that have sustained you in this church, and how your generosity can help extend that welcome to others.

There is, indeed, *plenty good room* in God's house. Together, let us make room for one another.

In Christ's service,

Senior Warden

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 4 at the 10:30 service.

Dogs should be on leash, cats & any other small animals in carriers.

**We will be participating in the
Downtown Vidalia Association
Downtown Spooktacular
and asking for donations of
Halloween Candy please. They expect
around 1500+ children to attend.
If you would like to participate in
Helping us to pass out candy from
5:30-7:00pm, please call the church office.**



United Thank Offering Collection

**Look for the UTO boxes and envelopes in the Narthex.
Filled boxes will be collected on All Saints Sunday, November 1.**



**The United Thank Offering (UTO) began in 1883 when the women of the church
took up a thank offering to support innovative mission and ministry in
The Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion that the church budget could not cover.**

Thank you...

**Everyone that helped with the rummage sale. It was a
huge success! Your hard work was truly appreciated.**



Covered Dish

**Sunday, November 1st, after the 10:30 service.
Come and enjoy good food and fellowship.**

Altar Flowers

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

**The Sanctuary Lamp is available also for dedication,
Memorial or in Thanksgiving . The cost is \$15.**



OCTOBER 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Office Closed	2 Office Closed	3 ECW Church Rummage Sale 8 am – 1 pm
4 The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost <i>Blessing of the Animals 9:00 & 10:30</i> <i>The Rev. Todd Hoover Celebrant</i> <i>9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i>	5 <i>Beekeepers Meeting 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall</i> 	6	7	8 <i>Office Closed</i>	9 <i>Office Closed</i>	10
11 The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost <i>The Rev. Todd Hoover Celebrant</i> <i>The Baptism of Francine Leigh Champion. Reception to follow.</i> <i>9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i>	12	13	14	15 <i>Office Closed</i>	16 <i>Office Closed</i>	17
18 The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost <i>The Rev. Todd Hoover Celebrant</i> <i>9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i>	19	20	21	22 <i>Office Closed</i>	23 <i>Office Closed</i>	24
25 The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost <i>The Rev. Todd Hoover Celebrant</i> <i>9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i> <i>10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</i>	26	27	28	29 Downtown Vidalia Halloween Spooktacular 5:30-7:30 pm. <i>Office Closed</i>	30 <i>Office Closed</i>	31
						

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Accrual Basis

Episcopal Church of the Annunciation Profit & Loss Budget Performance

August 2026

	Aug 26	Budget	Jan - Aug 26	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
45000 · Investments (Revenue from investments in cash, securities, and property)	0.00		10,000.00		
Unpledged Offerings	672.00	375.00	8,352.59	3,000.00	4,500.00
47000 · Pledges (Designated pledge contributions)	4,205.00	9,583.00	60,624.00	76,664.00	115,000.00
Total Income	4,877.00	9,958.00	78,976.59	79,664.00	119,500.00
Gross Profit	4,877.00	9,958.00	78,976.59	79,664.00	119,500.00
Expense					
ADMINISTRATIVE					
1501 · Rector's Stipend	0.00	1,333.00	15,899.68	10,664.00	16,000.00
1502 · Social Security Offset	0.00	150.00	1,812.72	1,200.00	1,800.00
1503 · Rector's Housing/Util Allow	0.00	500.00	5,980.00	4,000.00	6,000.00
1505 · Rector's Medical Ins.	0.00	327.00	4,905.00	2,616.00	3,924.00
1506 · Rector's Pension	0.00	337.00	5,057.95	2,696.00	4,046.00
1507 · Supply Priest Expense	1,117.50	1,041.00	4,534.90	8,328.00	12,500.00
1510 · Secretary's Salary	759.27	750.00	6,276.32	6,000.00	9,000.00
1517 · Misc Admin	0.00	250.00	979.59	2,000.00	3,000.00
1611 · Janitor	0.00	83.33	344.50	666.64	1,000.00
1704 · Rector Local Auto/Bus Exp	0.00	25.00	116.14	200.00	300.00
Total ADMINISTRATIVE	1,876.77	4,796.33	45,906.80	38,370.64	57,570.00
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS					
1603 · Water Buildings/Disposal	60.60	62.50	481.20	500.00	750.00
1604 · Water Yard Sprinklers	17.75	20.83	142.00	166.64	250.00
1607 · Building Maintenance	500.00	250.00	1,909.25	2,000.00	3,000.00
1610 · Yard Care	325.00	333.33	2,600.00	2,666.64	4,000.00
Total BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	903.35	666.66	5,132.45	5,333.28	8,000.00
DIOCESIAN EXPENSE					
1401 · Pledge to Diocese (Pledge to Diocese)	1,285.00	1,285.00	10,280.00	10,280.00	15,420.00
1404 · Convention Expense	0.00	41.66	0.00	333.28	500.00
Total DIOCESIAN EXPENSE	1,285.00	1,326.66	10,280.00	10,613.28	15,920.00
OPERATING EXPENSES					
1508 · Office Expense	105.24	166.66	2,308.59	1,333.28	2,000.00
1509 · Postage	0.00	22.91	112.95	183.28	275.00
1512 · Telephone	50.94	83.33	407.52	666.64	1,000.00
1513 · Internet	138.33	166.66	1,106.64	1,333.28	2,000.00
1601 · Nursery Care/Furnishings	0.00	8.33	0.00	66.64	100.00
1602 · Electricity	1,422.93	750.00	7,016.54	6,000.00	9,000.00
1605 · Natural Gas	107.55	125.00	1,059.07	1,000.00	1,500.00
1606 · Property Insurance	686.00	583.33	5,816.00	4,666.64	7,000.00
1609 · Supplies	0.00	41.66	0.00	333.28	500.00
1614 · Misc Operating Expense	0.00		1.00		
Total OPERATING EXPENSES	2,510.99	1,947.88	17,828.31	15,583.04	23,375.00

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Accrual Basis

Episcopal Church of the Annunciation Profit & Loss Budget Performance

August 2026

	Aug 26	Budget	Jan - Aug 26	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
PROGRAMS & MINISTRY					
1400 · Outreach (Outreach)	100.00	175.00	1,300.00	1,400.00	2,100.00
1402 · Christian Ed /Sunday School Exp	39.75	41.66	346.85	333.28	500.00
1403 · Youth Activities	0.00	16.66	68.61	133.28	200.00
1407 · Ministries(Fellowship Past. Car	0.00	83.33	1,021.05	666.64	1,000.00
1511 · Altar Expense (1511)	0.00	83.33	566.34	666.64	1,000.00
1612 · Music	0.00	166.66	1,130.00	1,333.28	2,000.00
Total PROGRAMS & MINISTRY	139.75	566.64	4,432.85	4,533.12	6,800.00
Total Expense	6,715.86	9,304.17	83,580.41	74,433.36	111,665.00
Net Ordinary Income	-1,838.86	653.83	-4,603.82	5,230.64	7,835.00
Other Income/Expense					
Other Expense					
8501 · Unbudgeted Expense	0.00		10,000.00		
Total Other Expense	0.00		10,000.00		
Net Other Income	0.00		-10,000.00		
Net Income	-1,838.86	653.83	-14,603.82	5,230.64	7,835.00

Episcopal Church of the Annunciation
Restricted Funds
Balance Aug 31, 2026

	Income	Expense	Balance		Balance	YTD	YTD
	Aug-26	Aug-26	8/31/2026		1/1/2026	Income	Expense
Building Fund (Held in BOA)			9300.00		9300.00	0.00	0.00
Memorial Fund			5127.59		5127.59	0.00	0.00
Flower Guild			2584.06		2858.21	635.00	909.15
Bldg Repair/Maint			15326.80		15326.80	0.00	0.00
Pastoral Care			100.00		100.00	0.00	0.00
Columbarium			1310.12		1310.12	0.00	0.00
Columbarium Improvement			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Clergy Discretionary Fund			216.40		712.96	570.00	1066.56
Bishop's Discretionary Fund	200.00	200.00	0.00		0.00	200.00	200.00
Youth Account			1446.15		1316.15	1645.00	1515.00
ECW			387.49		387.49	0.00	0.00
UTO			66.33		66.33	0.00	0.00
EYC			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Cursillo			505.40		505.40	0.00	0.00
Misc. Playground Equip			520.88		520.88	0.00	0.00
Misc - Administrative			819.50		748.15	100.00	28.65
Food Pantry	350.00	100.00	250.00		0.00	350.00	100.00
Total	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$37,710.72		38280.08	3150.00	3719.36
Ameris Bank	7/31/2026	\$13,725.86					
State Street/Max Manry	8/31/2026	\$182,530.69					
Episcopal Diocese of GA Investment	6/30/2026	\$282,170.08					

Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – August 16, 2026

Members Present: Carol Rice, Rebecca Miller, Connie Deane, Beverly Thompson, Kristen Champion, Len Edge

Treasurer Present: Rebecca Miller; Clerk Present: Beverly Thompson

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM by Carol Rice, Senior Warden, after brown bag lunches were enjoyed by vestry members. Vestry Meeting Minutes for July were reviewed; Rebecca moved to approve minutes, 2nd by Connie, motion passed.

Financial Report: (Rebecca) Financial report for July 2026 was reviewed; information was missing. On 8/19/2026, financial report was sent to Vestry Members for electronic approval with completed information as follows: Income Total for July was \$4300.00. Expenses Total for July was \$7026.84. The Net Income for July was \$-2726.84. Current balance in Bank of America Church Corporation Investment Account as of 6/30/2026 is \$282,170.08. Current balance in Max & Christy Manry Memorial State Street Investment Account as of 7/31/2026 is \$179,232.74. Balance in Annunciation checking account at Ameris Bank as of July 31 is \$17,075.66. Balance in Church Restricted Funds Account as of 7/31/2026 is \$37,710.72. A new line item has been added to the Restricted Funds Account for Food Pantry. Corrected July Financial Report was approved electronically by Vestry Members on 8/19/2026.

Senior Warden's Report: (Carol) Visit by Bishop Frank Logue on 8/9/2026 went well. Thanks to everyone who helped prepare for his visit with yard work, church cleaning, flowers, and food for reception honoring Bishop Frank and Victoria. Our Search Committee is fully formed with the following members: Co-Chairs: Dorsey McMichael and Sherron Threlkeld; Members: Hugh Jordan, Jen Martinez, Anne Roller, Larry Threlkeld, Jane Hall Williams, Will Hinson, Martha Dekle. Committee and Vestry Members met with Canon Eric Cooter via Zoom on 8/10/2026. The Search Committee will move forward with coordinating the Holy Cow Parish Survey.

Junior Warden's Report: (Len) Painting of portico posts is still needed. The playground climbing dome needs repair. A plumber will be contacted to check the men's bathroom toilet which is running continuously. Sealing of two windows in Narthex is still needed.

Business/Action:

1. Carol has communicated with Church Insurance regarding updating our policy.
2. Rebecca is working to collect information for completion of the Church Financial Audit. She has communicated with Karen West at Christ Church in Dublin about the possibility of a Church Swap Audit. Audit requirements are significant and may take extended time to complete.
3. Thermostats will be set at 82 degrees in all buildings when not in use.
4. Discussion of the need to hire new secretary when Karen Hidalgo moves to Florida is tabled until next month.
5. Fund to pay for the Holy Cow Survey will come from the Miscellaneous Administration Line Item #1517.
6. Rebecca Miller moved to contract with Mark Justen of Just-en Time Inspections to complete an evaluation of the air quality in the office building (old nave, nursery room, Karen's office) for \$500, 2nd by Kristen, motion passed. The cost of inspection will be paid with funds in the Building Repair and Maintenance Restricted Account.
7. Jane Hall Williams has been asked to compose a Transition Prayer for use by Search Committee and during Sunday Services.
8. Carol has communicated with Rev. Todd Hoover who will provide supply services on Christmas Eve and on most Sunday's through March 2027.
9. Kristen plans to have Francine Leigh Champion baptized on October 11, 2026.
10. Church Contact/Phone List has errors and needs updating.
11. Due to ECW Rummage Sale setup, Beekeepers will meet elsewhere for September and October meetings; Vestry gives consent for them to meet in the Church.
12. ECW Rummage Sale dates have been changed to 9/26 and 10/3 from 8 AM to 1 PM.
13. ECW Coffee Hour will be held after 10:30 service on 8/18/2026.
14. Development of policy for use of church for weddings and other events is needed.
15. Next Vestry Meeting will be held on September 20 at 11:45 AM.

Ministry Area Reports: Already covered.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM with Lord's Prayer.

Beverly Thompson

Submitted by Beverly Thompson, Clerk to the Vestry

Our Parish Prayer List

We pray for the safety and security of

The United States of America and especially those serving our country.

We add to the Prayer List this week

We Continue Prayers For:

Connie Robinson, Martha Dekle's friend, for comfort and healing.
Susan Stephens, friend of Jane Hall for comfort and healing.
Josh Hargraves, for comfort and healing.
Martha Dekle, for comfort and healing.
Emily and Robbie Thompson, niece and nephew of Beverly Thompson, for comfort and peace.
Ryan Millian, friends of Jane Hall, for comfort and healing for their baby.
Sam Riles, Abigail Chapman's nephew, for comfort and healing.
Abbie Embry Turner, Abigail Chapman's niece, for comfort and healing.
Branden Bowen, Beverly Thompson's nephew, for comfort and healing.
Deborah Collins, friend of Martha Dekle, for comfort.
Geni Betts, friend of Larry & Susan Threlkeld, for comfort and healing.
Brad Scoggin, Ann Bowman's grandson, Karen Hidalgo's nephew, for comfort and healing.
Michael Holloway, friend of Len Edge, for comfort and healing.
Parker Brown, friend of Jane Hall, for comfort and healing.
Maggie Stoa, Teresa Barrera-Edge's Aunt, for comfort and healing.
Patrick Bowen, Beverly Thompson's nephew, for comfort and healing.
Maxine McCall, friend and neighbor to Beverly Thompson, for comfort and healing.
Avis Peek, friend and neighbor to Burt and Johanna Derrick, for comfort and healing.
Wilson Nash, Thom and Jane Hall nephew, for comfort and healing.
Holly Mobley, Beverly Thompson's friend, for comfort and 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.
Teresa Smith, friend of Beverly Thompson, for comfort and healing.
Felicia Adams, friend of Beverly Thompson, for strength and comfort.

Prayers for those who suffer with long term illness

Beccy Champion, Frank Champion's mom, for comfort and healing.
Jesus Hernandez, for comfort and healing.
Jenny, Brody, River & Bonnie Jones, Martha Dekle's grandkids for healing.
Beverly Thompson's sister-in-law Mary, for comfort and healing.
Mindy Coleman, Ann Bowman's niece & Karen Hidalgo's cousin, for comfort and healing.
Danny, Christopher & Rob Bowen, family of Beverly Thompson, for comfort and healing.
Sharon Lee, Shannon Martin's mom, for comfort and healing.
Johanna Derrick, for comfort and healing.
Barbee Adams, for healing.
Jane Fazio, Ann Bowman's sister for healing.
Prayers for those who suffer from age related illnesses, and for the caregivers.
Barbara Creamer, friend of Jane Hall and Tom Williams, for comfort and healing.
Brenda Williams, Thom Williams mom, for comfort and healing.
Ann Bowman, Karen Hidalgo's mom, for comfort and healing.
Ruth Hopkins, Sherron Threlkeld's mom, for comfort and healing.

October Birthdays: Betsy Rice 2nd; Anna (Threlkeld) Bring 6th; Ann Smith 8th; Texie Joy Martin 10th; John Vincent Martinez 11th; Jason Bring 11th; Patrice Jordan 12th; Dennis Ingley 15th; Shirley Gillis 17th; John Collins 17th; Jen Martinez 18th; Lynette Dell 26th; Richard Mann 26th; Shannon Martin 28th.

October Anniversaries:



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Sunday Worship Schedule: In Person Sunday Service
 9:00 am Holy Eucharist except for Morning Prayer Sundays
 10:30 am Holy Eucharist except for Morning Prayer Sundays

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 2026 Sunday Server Schedule

	9:00 am Lector	9:00 am Eucharistic Minister	10:30 am Lector	10:30 am Eucharistic Minister
October 4	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Larry Threlkeld	Harry Moses
October 11	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Martha Dekle	Frank Champion
October 18	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Fernando Hidalgo	Beverly Thompson
October 25	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Teresa Edge

	Altar Guild	Greeters/Bread & Wine	Acolyte	Alms/Usher
October 4	Jackie Moses	Jackie Moses	Youth	Jackie Moses
October 11	Anne Roller	Anne Roller	Youth	Anne Roller
October 18	Christie Roller	Christie Roller	Youth	Christie Roller
October 25	Susan Threlkeld	Susan Threlkeld	Youth	Susan Threlkeld

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counter	Vestry In Charge Open	Vestry In Charge Close
October 4		Jane Hall Hugh Jordan	Rebecca Miller	Connie Deane
October 11	Baptism Reception	Martha Dekle Carol Rice	Rebecca Miller	Carol Rice
October 18		Beverly Thompson Connie Deane	Rebecca Miller	Beverly Thompson
October 25		Jane Hall Teresa Edge	Rebecca Miller	Carol Rice