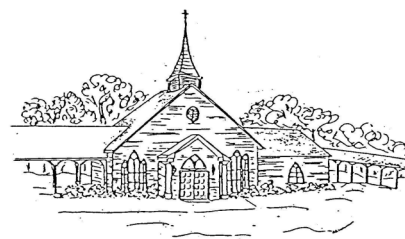




Our Parish Life



February 2025



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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Bishop, The Diocese of Georgia

The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn
Rector, Annunciation

Rebecca Miller, Treasurer

Karen Hidalgo, Church Secretary

Beverly Thompson, Clerk to the Vestry

2024 Vestry Members

Carol Rice Sr. Warden	912-537-8590
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Martha Dekle	912-261-8980
Kristen Champion	678-634-9329
Rebecca Miller	912-403-7531
David Cheney	720-318-4990

Opportunities to Participate in our Parish Life

Episcopal Church Women’s Valentine’s Coffee Hour,
Sunday, February 9, after the 10:30 service.

Vestry Meeting, Sunday, February 9, at 11:45.

Rev. Denise Out Of Town, February 11-24

Sunday, February 16, The Rev. Todd Hoover Celebrant
at 8:00 & 10:30 am. Short bio on page 3.

Morning Prayer Sunday, February 23,
10:30 am Larry Threlkeld, Officiant, no 8:00 am service.

SOAPS Annual “Spayghetti” Dinner
Tuesday, February 25, 5pm - 7pm. Additional information on page 3.

Annual Meeting Ministry Reports, Pages 4-7.
Yearly Financial Reports, Pages 9-11.

Looking Ahead to March:

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Tuesday, March 4, 5:30-7:00 pm in the Parrish
Hall. Pancake cooks and helpers needed.
Sign-up sheet for needed food items in the Narthex.

Ash Wednesday Services
March 5, 12:00 noon and 6:00 pm.
Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist.

Lent Madness Begins March 5
For more information go to: www.lentmadness.org

Christian Education (Sunday School)
9:30am for children and youth. Nursery is available every Sunday.

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.



Rector's Report Annual Meeting 2025

"Being a Christian is difficult" Frederick Bauerschmidt wrote in his book *'The Love that is God: an invitation to Christian Faith'*. A group of us read this book for our Advent Bible Study. These difficulties he writes include those arising from the nature of the modern world that make Christian claims seem incredible: a narrowed understanding of truth, suspicion of traditions, and ever-increasing individualism. The failures also arise from the failures of Christians: scandals, bigotries, and the reduction of mystery to moralism and of morality to social conformity. His book attempts then to make the case that the difficulties are worth it and he sets out to give his own fresh account of what really matters in the Bible and Christian tradition, and how it changes everything for those willing to respond to the call and demand of "the love that is God."

In five points that he expounded upon in the chapters of the book, he sketches out what he believes is the heart of Christianity: God is love; the love that is God is crucified love; we are called to friendship with the risen Jesus; we cannot love God if we do not love each other; and we live out our love from the community created by the Spirit. To the degree he writes that the church fails in living up to the promise of new life found in our baptism and friendship with God, it fails at being an effective sign of this kingdom. Yet, through the Holy Spirit who helps us in our weakness, we are called into the body of Christ, and out of that body into the world. His book, gives us a fresh account of what really matters and the challenge to live it.

Of course this is the challenge of every generation to live what really matters from the scripture and Christian tradition. We don't have all the answers or always live into our baptism but one thing is sure, it's not because we don't try or care. I believe you will see this when you read the ministry reports. It was a good year here and much good work was done. We care about each other and being with each other. Every month there have been opportunities for fellowship. We care about our children; providing opportunities for them to grow in their faith and participate in our worship. We care about our neighbors. Just look at the outreach report. We care about our buildings that are aging. When you read the JW's report you will read of all that has been done this past year and what still needs to be done. We care about being generous to further God's kingdom here. Our income was up this past year.

It was a good year despite the fact that the number of those attending worship was not what I would have liked or hoped for. This is not happening just at Annunciation but I believe that if every one of us decides as the Cursillo Motto says, to make a friend, be a friend and bring a friend to Christ, we can make a difference. This is the challenge before us but the Spirit will move...

Bauerschmidt, in his sermon that inspired his book of which I have provided you a copy of, ends it by saying...read pg 124 though the end...So let's continue this year to believe it and live it as if our lives depended on it, because it does. I do thank you every one of you for living it, believing it and striving for it, with me, with each other and for each other.

Number of Holy Eucharist's – 89

Weekday Eucharist – 7

Communion to the homebound or shut-ins – 14

Daily Office (Morning Prayer) Sunday's – 6

Average Sunday Attendance – 30

Baptisms – 1 – Harris Hopkins Horton

Confirmations – David Cheney, Jesus Hernandez, Gabriel Bonilla, Sarah Solis, & Lily Sullivan

Burials -1 - Deaths – 2 – Jennie Hamilton & Charles Thompson Members reported – 85

2025 Vestry Wardens:

Senior Warden-Carol Rice

Junior Warden-Len Edge

2025 New Vestry Members:

Rebecca Miller 2025-2027

David Cheney 2025-2027

With the Love of Christ,
Denise+

The Rev. Todd Hoover, Supply Celebrant For Sunday, February 16.

A native of Florida, I have lived across the world and country. I moved from SE Florida to Statesboro in April 2024 to care for my elderly parents. I was ordained a Priest in 2012, and have served primarily as a Hospice Chaplain and a Supply Priest from Key West to Stuart, Florida, and now SE Georgia. I have served as an Air Force Historian, Business Professor, Marketing Trainer, and New Home Sales. I have as many layers as a Vidalia Onion but not as sweet!

Soaps 17th Annual "Spayghetti" Dinner



February 25, 2025 at the Vidalia Community Center from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Pick up only. Tickets \$10/all sales in advance; no sales at door. Tickets can be purchased at any of the Vidalia Veterinarian Clinic Offices or The Office of Ingley, Roper and Moore or from any SOAPS member.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, March 4, 5:30-7:00 pm. Helpers Needed! Please let the church office know if you can help. Sign-Up sheet for additional food items needed in the Narthex.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

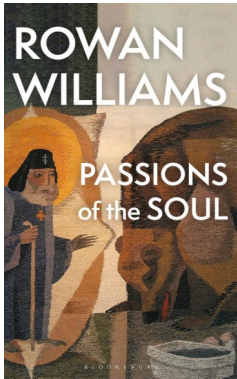


Ash Wednesday Services

Imposition of Ashes, March 5, 12:00 noon & 5:30 pm.

Lenten Bible Study 2025 - Rowan William's *Passions of the Soul*

The 1Book1Diocese read for Lent 2025 will be Rowan Williams' deeply wise book *Passions of the Soul*. In this brief text the former Archbishop of Canterbury tells how self-awareness about our instincts and emotions can offer practical assistance in diagnosing what is binding us to unhelpful and potentially destructive patterns of thinking. In the process, Williams shows how these thoughts like pride or anger are not necessarily wrong in themselves if we attend to these thoughts properly. He states, "For the Eastern Christian writers, 'passion' is the whole realm of instinct, reaction, coping mechanisms, and this is the level at which complications arise. We cannot live without these things if we are to be human at all; yet unless we understand and in some degree transfigure them, we are trapped in something less than human."



Williams' takes an original turn in pairing each of these eight thoughts, that became the seven deadly sins in Western Christianity, with the beatitudes. This accessible introduction to insight from ancient Christian writers offers a pragmatic approach to examining where we can let unhealthy tapes play within our minds. Sewanee's Professor of Pastoral Theology, Mother Julia Gatta writes, "It is a gem... *Passions of the Soul* merits multiple readings to savor the superb wordcraft and absorb the wisdom of its pages." **Look for the Bible Study meeting dates in the March Newsletter.**

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are available for dedication, memorial or in thanksgiving. The cost is \$50 for one. The Sanctuary Lamp is available for dedication and the cost is \$15.



2024 Ministry Reports

Senior Warden's Report

Wow, What a Year! So many challenges for our community, our church, and our vestry. Dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Helene and the unexpected expenses of yard cleanup. Then 40 days later 9 -11 inches of rain brought to our awareness the need for a new roof for our Parish Hall. More unexpected expense. Through it all, God has been good to us and Rev. Denise was kept busy meeting with insurance adjustors, getting quotes from tree services and roofers, while keeping the vestry informed all along the process. She was diligent in keeping expenses down as much as possible. Since Rev. Denise hasn't had a cost of living increase in years, our vestry approved an increase for her in the 2025 budget, as well as an increase of \$1 per hour each for the church secretary and sexton. We believe that Rev. Denise truly deserves it as she continues to be a wonderful leader who is devoted to our church and congregation. Finally, I'd like to recommend that others consider volunteering to be on Vestry and/or attend the Episcopal Convention in November, as I know that either/both are enjoyable and enlightening experiences.

Twalla Haley, Senior Warden

Junior Warden's Report

Completed

- Replacement of the lattice wall outside the parish hall.
- Rotted wood around the narthex windows was replaced and painted.
- A French drain was installed at the end of the walkway between main church and office building, and edging was placed in the sidewalk area under the tree to keep the dirt off the sidewalk.
- The hot water tank in the office building was drained and cleaned.
- The window in the parish hall children's nursery was replaced, new wood installed and painted.
- The patio area between the parish hall and office building was pressure cleaned.
- The broken Plexiglas panels outside the former sanctuary stained glass windows were repaired.
- The area near the columbarium with scrub shrubs and plants was cleaned out.
- All the broken sprinkler heads were repaired and replaced.
- When needed, shrubbery in church yard was trimmed, weeds pulled, and flowers in flower pots outside of church building were replaced.
- Church yard cleanup and tree removal from hurricane damage has been mostly completed.
- The church sign on Hwy 280 has been repaired and replaced with a new sign.
- The carpet in the narthex was cleaned.
- The outside walls and narthex windows were pressured washed and windows caulked along with windows in the office building.

To Do

- The parish hall roof damaged by the hurricane will be replaced by DBM Roofing.
- Narthex windows needs additional repair/caulking around the outside of the windows
- Mold on the ceiling in old nave needs to be wiped clean.
- The back side of the columbarium needs to be pressure washed.
- Stained glass window in main church continues to leak. Several men of the church are working with Edge Construction to find the leak.
- The church sign at the corner of Adams St. & 3rd needs a new post and sign attached.
- The fence around the playground-damaged by the hurricane-needs to be replaced. Waiting on quotes from fence companies.
- The white lines in the parking lot need to be repainted.
- Outside church walls need pressure washing and touchup paint.

Len Edge, Jr. Warden

Adult Christian Education

- Lenten Bible Study *The Good Life* by Robert Waldinger, MD & Marc Schulz, PhD
- Lent Madness – weekday participation online.
- Maundy Thursday Seder with co-host Beth Israel Congregation
- Stewardship Campaign *Walk in Love: An Invitation to Love*
- Advent Bible Study *The Love That is God: An Invitation to Christian Faith* by The Rt. Rev. John Bauerschmidt.
- Advent & Lent meditation booklets were distributed to congregation.
- Forward Day by Day - daily meditations on specific Bible passages are available to take home.

Rev. Denise

Children's Sunday School

Children's Sunday School has not had its best year. We had six of our most faithful children unable to attend regularly due to illness and other changes in their life circumstances. We still have around ten children who attend. The church has many resources for Christian Education including a set of DVD's focusing on the Old and New Testament. The DVD's have worksheets at three levels of difficulty. The children enjoy the DVD's and the accompanying packets. Karen, Brianna and I are always in the Education Classrooms at Sunday School time. We had a Christmas party this year; it was really nice because most of our children attended. The occasion gave them the chance to be altogether and to get to know each other better. We pray for the children who cannot be with us and plan to keep on keeping on.

Jane Hall-Williams, Ministry Chair

Outreach Report

- Annunciation donates \$50 monthly to United Way and Salvation Army.
- Annunciation donates a \$100 a month September thru May to J.D. Dickerson Backpack Buddies program.
- From the Rector's Discretionary Fund:

\$60 for Gasoline

\$169 to help with a water bills

\$438 to help with power bills (\$100 was donated to Toombs County Family Connection to help a family with their electric).

\$41 to help with rent

\$250 Graduation Gifts

\$150 School supplies to help a parishioner

\$200 Pizza Gift Cards for Promise686 families

\$65 to help with phone service

\$167 to purchase groceries to help several families

\$136 of clothing was purchased at Walmart to help a family

\$350 to purchase food for the food pantry

- Our Food Pantry continues to help individuals and families with food items and can use your
- donations to keep it filled. It had over 90 visits last year for help.
- School Supplies were collected in July and donated to J.D. Dickerson Elementary School.
- 4 oz bottles of water, along with snacks, were collected and given out by youth and adults at the
- Annual Wide Back to School Bash in July.
- Pet food and supplies were collected and donated in October to SOAPS.
- Bags and bags of candy were collected and handed out at the Downtown Vidalia Spooktacular in October.
- 8 shoeboxes for Samaritan's Operation Christmas Child were collected and delivered.
- \$250 was donated by the ECW for Angel Tree Gift cards - 4 families were helped.
- \$138.50 was collected for the United Thank Offering
- A microwave, blankets, towels, sheets and food were collected to help a local homeless woman
- after she rented a small home.
- Bee Keepers Association meets in the parish hall once a month.
- Episcopal Church Women host a coffee hour each month.
- Diocesan Cursillo met several times in our parish hall.
- Distributed to 100 families in Toombs and Montgomery counties 42 boxes of assorted size diapers from Over The Moon Diaper Bank in Savannah . Rev. Denise

Youth Activities & Service Report

- Every fifth Sunday is designated as Youth Sunday. When possible, our young people read the
- lessons and participate in the service as acolytes and greeters.
- Our young people helped with a bake sale and the low country boil dinner that raised money
- for summer camp at Honey Creek.
- Lilly Sullivan, Sarah Solis & Gabriel Bonilla in June attended a week of camp at Honey Creek.
- Our youth participated in the July Back to School Bash helping to pass out bottles of water and
- snacks.
- Back to School backpacks were blessed at the Blessing of the Backpacks in July.
- Several of our young people participated as acolytes and sang the Offertory hymn "Soul On Fire"
- when Bishop Frank visited for Confirmation.
- Youth and adults helped to pass out candy to hundreds of kids in the October Downtown
- Spooktacular Event.
- In December, our youth enjoyed a Christmas gift exchange, lunch & party with Santa.

Rev. Denise



Pastoral Care

This committee seeks to provide special care members who experience unusual events in their lives-both joyful and trying. In 2024, Annunciation lost two members: Jennie Hamilton and Chuck Thompson. This committee helped by providing pastoral visits and meals for visiting relatives and friends. Jennie's funeral was at Annunciation. Pastoral Care and Fellowship Committees provided assistance with the service and a reception immediately after. In Chuck's case, Pastoral Care worked with the ladies of Mt. Moriah to provide a luncheon following the service. Both receptions were lovely. Jane Hall-Williams, Ministry Chair

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild is a lay ministry that serves God by preparing the sanctuary for worship, maintaining and caring for sacred vessels, altar linens, and vestment and serving the clergy and the parish. Altar guild members are in charge of "setting up" for services, removal and cleansing of vessels and linens after the service. Altar Guild members are: Lynette Dell, Susan Threlkeld, Jackie Moses, Christie Roller, Anne Roller and Karen Hidalgo. Lynette Dell, Ministry Chair

Stewardship



Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:1-2, NRS

The 2024 stewardship champagne *Walk in Love* reminded us that generosity is a journey. It's a practice that we learn and nurture within our hearts. This is a journey we make together, a Walk in Love, Rev. Denise wrote in her letter. It is not clever politics or force that cause the change in society, but the simplest concept of Love. Twalla Haley, our senior warden, invited us to make this journey together. We have so many gifts to share here, gifts of time, talent, and treasure that we can freely give to support our ministry and to do the work of mission in our neighborhoods and communities. In my letter, I reminded us that when we walk in the same direction, we can do so many things. Jesus calls us to heal, visit, feed, accompany, protect, advocate, love our neighbor, to share our time, talent, and treasure is the way to make this happen. Thank you to everyone who gave of their gifts of wealth, works, & wisdom to the work and ministry of Annunciation in 2024, and to everyone who has pledged to our work and ministry for 2025. We received 16 pledges for a total of \$98,940.

Hugh Jordan, Ministry Chair

Fellowship

- We began 2024 with the Baptism of Harris Hopkins Horton on *January 7*, and a reception after the service. Also in *January*, a lunch was enjoyed by all at the Annual Meeting.
- In *February*, we enjoyed the ECW's Valentine's Day Coffee Hour and on Shrove Tuesday, a pancake supper with all the trimmings.
- *March* was very busy with a St. Patrick's Day covered dish lunch and on Maundy Thursday, a Seder Dinner with co-host Beth Israel Congregation. After the Easter Sunday Services, there was an Easter Egg Hunt for our young people and a reception with lots of Easter goodies.
- In *April*, the ECW ladies held their Coffee Hour. A Smoked (by Frank Champion) Chicken Dinner with all the fixings was enjoyed by over 50 people to raise funds for the Restricted Building and Maintenance fund
- A bake sale held on Mother's Day in *May* sponsored by the ECW ladies offered many delicious choices and was successful in raising funds for our youth to attend camp. On Pentecost Sunday, a birthday for Jesus covered dish lunch was enjoyed by all.
- In *June*, the Low Country Boil Lunch was very well attended and successful in raising funds for our youth to attend camp. Also, the ECW ladies held a Father's Day Coffee Hour to honor the fathers.
- We started off *July* with a July 4th hotdog, hamburger, covered dish, and ended it with an ECW coffee hour.
- *August* was very busy with Bishop Frank's visit for Confirmation. A covered dish reception was held after the service. On the day before his visit, a pizza lunch was enjoyed by those being Confirmed and by the youth singing in the choir. The ECW ladies once again sponsored a coffee hour with lots of goodies.
- To celebrate Labor Day in *September* and to kick-off the Sunday School year, a covered dish lunch was held and enjoyed by all who attended. A coffee hour sponsored by the ECW ladies later in the month had plenty of sweets to enjoy.
- *October* was busy with a successful Restricted Building & Maintenance fundraiser that included delicious Smoked Pork Loin cooked by Frank Champion. The ECW women held their October coffee hour and a special All Hallows Eve coffee hour on the 31st with many spooky treats.

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- In *November*, on Christ The King Sunday, a special Thanksgiving celebration dinner was held and the ECW church women had their monthly coffee hour.
- The ECW's Christmas Cookie and Coffee Hour in *December* was a huge success again with a delicious variety of cookies and treats to share. The youth had a grand time at their pizza lunch and gift exchange party with Santa. After the Greening of the Church muffins were enjoyed and a reception with a wide variety of goodies was held after the Christmas Eve Service.

Rev. Denise & Martha Dekle, Ministry Chair

Episcopal Church Women

Annual Meeting Report - January 26, 2025 Episcopal Church Women (ECW) completed many activities within our church and in our community in 2024. We did not hold an ECW Rummage Sale in 2024; however, funds were available from our ECW Rummage Sale, held in Spring 2023, as well as generous monetary contributions from our church members. These funds enabled us to provide help to many individuals and families in our church and community. We provided aid with rent, groceries, power bills, heaters, temporary housing, and other needs. We joined the Promise 686 Outreach Network which is a church-led ministry serving vulnerable children and families in our community. We gave assistance to our youth who were attending summer camp at Honey Creek. We provided Coffee Hour after the 10:30 AM service once a month. With the participation and support of many church members, we helped provide gifts for five families in our community with the Angel Tree project in December of 2024. We hope to continue our current endeavors as well as to develop new ones in 2025. We very much appreciate the support of the parishioners of Annunciation who make it possible for the women of our church to carry out our ECW activities.

Beverly Thompson, ECW Chair

Daughters of the King

Annual Meeting Report – 1/26/2025 Our Daughters of the King (DOK) Chapter, St. Mary of the Annunciation, is in a rebuilding phase. In 2024, members participated in DOK gatherings at a Diocesan level, but we did not have any in-person local meetings due to illness and other difficulties. However, we continued to pray and study daily while seeking to follow God's will with loving service. We look forward to coming together in 2025, both locally and on a Diocesan level, for study, prayer, and fellowship. We invite all ladies of Annunciation to inquire about Daughters of the King and consider joining us as we move forward with new endeavors.

Beverly Thompson, President

February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p>2 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany: The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in The Temple</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p>	 <p>Beekeepers Meeting in the parish hall.</p>	4	5	6 <i>Office Closed</i>	7 <i>Rev. Denise off</i>	8
<p>9 The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p> <p><i>Episcopal Church Women Valentine's Coffee Hour</i></p> <p><i>Vestry Meeting at 11:45.</i></p>	10	11 <i>Rev. Denise out of Town 11th thru the 25th.</i>	12	13 <i>Office Closed</i>	14 <i>Happy Valentines Day!</i>	15
<p>16 The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rt. II</p> <p><i>Rev. Todd Hoover Officiant</i></p>	17	18	19	20 <i>Office Closed</i>	21	22
<p>23 The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany</p> <p>No 8:00 am service 10:30 am Morning Prayer Rt. II</p> <p><i>Larry Threlkeld Officiant</i></p>	24	25 <i>SOAPS Annual Spayghetti Dinner 5pm-7pm</i>	26	27 <i>Office Closed</i>	28 <i>Rev. Denise off</i>	
						

**Episcopal Church of the Annunciation
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
December 2024**

	Dec 24	Budget	Jan - Dec 24	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
45000 · Investments	0.00	0.00	9,739.08	0.00	0.00
Unpledged Offerings	317.00	375.00	3,771.50	4,500.00	4,500.00
47000 · Pledges	19,545.00	10,833.37	131,579.54	130,000.00	130,000.00
Total Income	19,862.00	11,208.37	145,090.12	134,500.00	134,500.00
Gross Profit	19,862.00	11,208.37	145,090.12	134,500.00	134,500.00
Expense					
ADMINISTRATIVE					
1405 · Clergy Cont. Ed. Fund	0.00	41.63	0.00	500.00	500.00
1501 · Rector's Stipend	3,808.25	3,808.25	45,699.00	45,699.00	45,699.00
1502 · Social Security Offset	439.37	441.63	5,272.44	5,300.00	5,300.00
1503 · Rector's Housing/Util Allow	1,495.00	1,495.00	17,940.00	17,940.00	17,940.00
1505 · Rector's Medical Ins.	0.00	875.00	9,532.00	10,500.00	10,500.00
1506 · Rector's Pension	1,354.59	1,000.00	11,455.08	12,000.00	12,000.00
1507 · Supply Priest Expense	0.00	41.63	0.00	500.00	500.00
1510 · Secretary's Salary	668.31	750.00	8,304.81	9,000.00	9,000.00
1517 · Misc Admin	300.00	166.63	1,827.40	2,000.00	2,000.00
1611 · Janitor	150.00	125.00	936.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
1704 · Rector Local Auto/Bus Exp	193.00	83.37	788.04	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total ADMINISTRATIVE	8,408.52	8,828.14	101,754.77	105,939.00	105,939.00
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS					
1603 · Water Buildings/Disposal	59.50	50.00	653.00	600.00	600.00
1604 · Water Yard Sprinklers	17.75	25.00	292.45	300.00	300.00
1607 · Building Maintenance	0.00	250.00	3,016.02	3,000.00	3,000.00
1610 · Yard Care	325.00	375.00	4,108.78	4,500.00	4,500.00
Total BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	402.25	700.00	8,070.25	8,400.00	8,400.00
DIOCESIAN EXPENSE					
1401 · Pledge to Diocese	1,321.67	1,321.63	15,860.04	15,860.00	15,860.00
1404 · Convention Expense	250.00	62.50	250.00	750.00	750.00
Total DIOCESIAN EXPENSE	1,571.67	1,384.13	16,110.04	16,610.00	16,610.00
OPERATING EXPENSES					
1508 · Office Expense	139.27	187.50	1,637.58	2,250.00	2,250.00
1509 · Postage	0.00	41.63	271.53	500.00	500.00
1512 · Telephone	151.12	166.63	1,814.40	2,000.00	2,000.00
1513 · Internet	110.74	104.13	1,259.65	1,250.00	1,250.00
1601 · Nursery Care/Furnishings	0.00	8.37	0.00	100.00	100.00
1602 · Electricity	707.27	666.63	8,558.19	8,000.00	8,000.00
1605 · Natural Gas	88.31	104.13	1,090.75	1,250.00	1,250.00

**Episcopal Church of the Annunciation
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
December 2024**

	Dec 24	Budget	Jan - Dec 24	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
1606 · Property Insurance	691.20	523.12	6,090.94	6,277.00	6,277.00
1609 · Supplies	0.00	66.63	306.31	800.00	800.00
1614 · Misc Operating Expense	0.00	8.37	0.00	100.00	100.00
Total OPERATING EXPENSES	1,887.91	1,877.14	21,029.35	22,527.00	22,527.00
PROGRAMS & MINISTRY					
1400 · Outreach	200.00	200.00	2,050.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
1402 · Christian Ed /Sunday School Exp	105.19	58.37	477.37	700.00	700.00
1403 · Youth Activities	0.00	16.63	74.40	200.00	200.00
1407 · Ministries(Fellowship Past. Car	55.08	104.13	909.34	1,250.00	1,250.00
1511 · Altar Expense	35.62	83.37	994.23	1,000.00	1,000.00
1612 · Music	65.00	300.00	1,268.80	3,600.00	3,600.00
Total PROGRAMS & MINISTRY	460.89	762.50	5,774.14	9,150.00	9,150.00
Total Expense	12,731.24	13,551.91	152,738.55	162,626.00	162,626.00
Net Ordinary Income	7,130.76	-2,343.54	-7,648.43	-28,126.00	-28,126.00
Net Income	7,130.76	-2,343.54	-7,648.43	-28,126.00	-28,126.00

Episcopal Church of the Annunciation - ANNUN
RESTRICTED FUNDS RECONCILEMENT
12/31/24

Fund	Bal. Fwd.	Additions	Subtractions	Current Bal.	Net Change
Building Fund (held in Ameris)	10,000.00			10,000.00	-
Memorial Fund	5,205.74			5,205.74	-
Flower Guild	2,346.50	550.00	(95.02)	2,801.48	454.98
Bldg Repair/Maint.	8,179.51	5,793.71	(345.00)	13,628.22	5,448.71
Other: (Total)	5,671.21	1,395.00	(963.07)	6,103.14	431.93
TOTALS FOR MONTH:	31,402.96	7,738.71	(1,403.09)	37,738.58	6,335.62

RESTRICTED OTHER Breakdown					
Category	Bal. Fwd	Additions	Subtractions	Current Balance	Net Change
Pastoral Care	100.00	-	-	100.00	-
Worship	-			-	-
COLUMBARIUM	1,310.12	-		1,310.12	-
COLUMBARIUM Improvement	-	-	-	-	-
Chair Rec.	-	-	-	-	-
Bldg. Fund					
Clergy Disc. Fund	669.69	1,050.00	(963.07)	756.62	86.93
Bishop Disc. Fund	-			-	-
Scholarship					
Youth Acct.	1,410.15	345.00		1,755.15	345.00
ECW	387.49			387.49	-
UTO	19.33			19.33	-
EYC	-			-	-
DOK	-			-	-
Cursillo	505.40			505.40	-
Georgia Power Fund	-			-	-
IYCS Ann Thx	-			-	-
Outreach	-			-	-
Parent's Morning Out	-			-	-
Pew Cushions	-			-	-
Music Gift					
Misc. - Playground Equip.	520.88			520.88	-
Misc - Bishop					
Misc.Video Equip.					
Misc. - Admin	748.15			748.15	-
Misc. - Deacon	-			-	-
Misc. - Alter Veil	-			-	-
Totals for "Other Restricted"	5,671.21	1,395.00	(963.07)	6,103.14	431.93

**Episcopal Church of the Annunciation
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
January 1, 2025**

	Jan 1, 25	Budget	Jan 1, 25	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
45000 · Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Plate Offering	0.00	12.10	0.00	12.10	4,500.00
47000 · Pledges	0.00	350.81	0.00	350.81	130,500.00
Total Income	0.00	362.91	0.00	362.91	135,000.00
Gross Profit	0.00	362.91	0.00	362.91	135,000.00
Expense					
ADMINISTRATIVE					
1405 · Clergy Cont. Ed. Fund	0.00	1.34	0.00	1.34	500.00
1501 · Rector's Stipend	0.00	128.22	0.00	128.22	47,699.00
1502 · Social Security Offset	0.00	14.62	0.00	14.62	5,438.16
1503 · Rector's Housing/Util Allow	0.00	48.23	0.00	48.23	17,940.00
1505 · Rector's Medical Ins.	0.00	29.45	0.00	29.45	10,956.00
1506 · Rector's Pension	0.00	32.26	0.00	32.26	12,000.00
1507 · Supply Priest Expense	0.00	1.34	0.00	1.34	500.00
1510 · Secretary's Salary	0.00	24.19	0.00	24.19	9,000.00
1517 · Misc Admin	0.00	5.38	0.00	5.38	2,000.00
1611 · Janitor	0.00	2.69	0.00	2.69	1,000.00
1704 · Rector Local Auto/Bus Exp	0.00	2.69	0.00	2.69	1,000.00
Total ADMINISTRATIVE	0.00	290.41	0.00	290.41	108,033.16
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS					
1603 · Water Buildings/Disposal	0.00	1.75	0.00	1.75	650.00
1604 · Water Yard Sprinklers	0.00	0.81	0.00	0.81	300.00
1607 · Building Maintenance	0.00	8.06	0.00	8.06	3,000.00
1610 · Yard Care	0.00	12.10	0.00	12.10	4,500.00
Total BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	0.00	22.72	0.00	22.72	8,450.00
DIOCESIAN EXPENSE					
1401 · Pledge to Diocese	0.00	41.93	0.00	41.93	15,598.00
1404 · Convention Expense	0.00	1.34	0.00	1.34	500.00
Total DIOCESIAN EXPENSE	0.00	43.27	0.00	43.27	16,098.00
OPERATING EXPENSES					
1508 · Office Expense	0.00	5.38	0.00	5.38	2,000.00
1509 · Postage	0.00	0.74	0.00	0.74	275.00
1512 · Telephone	0.00	5.38	0.00	5.38	2,000.00
1513 · Internet	0.00	3.36	0.00	3.36	1,250.00
1601 · Nursery Care/Furnishings	0.00	0.27	0.00	0.27	100.00
1602 · Electricity	0.00	22.85	0.00	22.85	8,500.00
1605 · Natural Gas	0.00	3.36	0.00	3.36	1,250.00

**Episcopal Church of the Annunciation
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
January 1, 2025**

	Jan 1, 25	Budget	Jan 1, 25	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
1606 · Property Insurance	0.00	16.87	0.00	16.87	6,277.00
1609 · Supplies	0.00	1.34	0.00	1.34	500.00
1614 · Misc Operating Expense	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.13	50.00
Total OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	59.68	0.00	59.68	22,202.00
PROGRAMS & MINISTRY					
1400 · Outreach	0.00	5.65	0.00	5.65	2,100.00
1402 · Christian Ed /Sunday School Exp	0.00	1.34	0.00	1.34	500.00
1403 · Youth Activities	0.00	0.54	0.00	0.54	200.00
1407 · Ministries(Fellowship Past. Car	0.00	2.69	0.00	2.69	1,000.00
1511 · Altar Expense	0.00	2.69	0.00	2.69	1,000.00
1612 · Music	0.00	5.38	0.00	5.38	2,000.00
Total PROGRAMS & MINISTRY	0.00	18.29	0.00	18.29	6,800.00
Total Expense	0.00	434.37	0.00	434.37	161,583.16
Net Ordinary Income	0.00	-71.46	0.00	-71.46	-26,583.16
Net Income	0.00	-71.46	0.00	-71.46	-26,583.16

Vestry Meeting Minutes – Annunciation – December 15, 2024

Members Present: The Very Rev. Denise Vaughn, Twalla Haley, Carol Rice, Martha Dekle, Len Edge, Kristen Champion; Member Absent: Beverly Thompson

Clerk Absent: Beverly Thompson; Treasurer Absent: Rebecca Miller

Meeting was opened at 12:45 pm with prayer after lunch was enjoyed by group.

Vestry Meeting Minutes for November 2024 were reviewed; Carol moved to approve minutes, 2nd by Len, motion passed.

Financial Report: (Rev. Denise for Rebecca) Financial report for November 2024 was reviewed. Income for November was \$8016.00. Expenses were \$12,008.44. Net Income for November was \$-3992.44. Income is a little lower than expected; expenses are typical for this time of year. Balance in Bank of America Church Corp Investment Account as of September 30 was \$258,948.71. Balance in Max and Christy Manry Memorial State Street Investment Account as of November 30 was \$171,886.63. Restricted Funds Building and Maintenance required an outlay of about \$16,000 for cleanup after Hurricane Helene, so \$15,000 was requested from the Bank of America Church Corp Investment Account. Kristen moved to approve November financial report, 2nd by Carol, motion passed.

Senior Warden's Report: (Twalla) Proposed increases in salary for Rev. Denise and her employees were presented by Senior Warden to Vestry members for discussion.

Junior Warden's Report: (Rev. Denise and Len) Church Insurance adjuster came out after Hurricane Helene and sent a check for \$5,793.00. After a rainfall of 9 inches, three leaks were discovered in Parish Hall roof. Insurance adjuster was called back. One of the leaks caused by Hurricane Helene was not caught during adjustor's first visit; two other leaks were noted during adjustor's second visit and entire roof of parish hall needs to be replaced. Roofing companies were called for quotes; due to high demand for new roofs following Hurricane Helene, the only company that responded was DBM Roofing (Chris Bryant) who presented a quote of \$14,500. The fence around playground was also damaged and needs repair; it will take a while to get a response, but insurance check will cover fence repair. Harry Moses has called Edge Construction Company about leak around stained glass window. They will take care of it eventually. Mario and Patty shampooed carpet in narthex. Mario sealed windows of old sanctuary office building and front church windows. He'll come back and do caulking around rest of windows. New sign has been put up on Highway 280. Mario will be putting up sign at Third and Adams Street. He will also paint lines in parking lot and paint around front door where paint is beginning to chip.

Rector's Report: (Rev. Denise) Advent Book Study, The Love That is God, will finish up in Parish Hall on December 18. Angel tree gifts are due December 22. Greening of the church will be after 10:30 service on December 22. Christmas Eve service with children's Christmas pageant will be at 5 pm; Christmas Day service will be at 10:30 am. King's College Festival of Lessons and Carols will be Sunday, December 29 at 10:30 am. Cursillo Commission will meet January 11 in the Parish Hall. Next Vestry meeting will be at 11:45 am January 19, 2025; a new budget for 2025 will be presented for discussion and approval at the meeting. Annual meeting will be held after 10:30 service on January 26, 2025.

Business:

1. An increase in salary of 5% (\$2000) for Rev. Denise, an increase of \$1 per hour in salary for Karen Hidalgo, secretary, and an increase of \$1 per hour in salary for Teresa Barrera-Edge, Sexton were discussed; these increases would go into effect in the 2025 budget. Carol moved to approve the salary increases, 2nd by Kristen, motion passed.
2. Twalla moved to move forward with a contract with DBM Roofing to replace Parish Hall roof, 2nd by Carol, motion passed.
3. Carol moved to take \$15,000 out of BOA Church Corp Investment Account to cover the cost of new roof for parish hall, 2nd by Twalla, motion passed.
4. Twalla moved to approve Rev. Denise's housing allowance for 2025 in the amount of \$17,940.00, 2nd by Carol, motion passed.

Nominations for new vestry members were presented: David Cheney and Rebecca Miller.

Ministry Reports: Already covered.

Meeting was adjourned with Lord's Prayer.

Twalla Haley

Submitted by Twalla Haley, Senior Warden

NOTE Regarding Business Item #3 on December 2024 Minutes: Minutes of January Vestry Meeting held on 1/19/2025 will reflect that no funds were taken from BOA Church Corp Investment Account to cover cost of new roof on Parish Hall building; withdrawal of funds was not needed due to additional payment from Church Insurance that has been received.

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

Bishop Frank Logue and family, for comfort.

Nancy Moore, Jane Hall-Williams sister-in-law for comfort

Jenny, Brody, River & Bonnie Jones, Martha Dekle's grandkids for healing

Jane Fazio, Ann Bowman's sister, for comfort and healing.

Parker Brown, friend of Jane Hall-Williams, for comfort and healing.

Chris & Mary Sadler, Betty Jo Sadler's grandson & wife, for comfort and healing.

Jan Louks, Shannon Martin's grandmother, for comfort and healing.

Maggie Stoa, Teresa Barrera-Edge's Aunt, for comfort and strength.

Crystle May, friend of Abigail Chapman, for comfort and healing

Maxine McCall, friend and neighbor to Beverly & Chuck Thompson, for comfort and healing.

Avis Peek, friend and neighbor to Burt and Johanna Derrick for comfort and healing.

Cathy Parrish, Jerry Yate's sister, for comfort and healing.

David and Leslie Hodges, friends of David Parker, for comfort and healing.

Holly Mobley, Beverly Thompson's friend, for strength 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.

Grace Alexander for comfort and healing.

Quinten Turpin, for comfort and healing.

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

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

Mikey Solis for comfort and healing.



Prayers for those who suffer with long-term illness

Mindy Coleman, Ann Bowman's niece, 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.

Johanna Derrick, for healing.

Lisa Bozeman, Ann Bowman's daughter & Karen Hidalgo's sister, for comfort and healing.

Ted Mim, friend of Karen Hidalgo, for comfort and healing.

Becky Champion, Frank Champion's mom for comfort and healing.

Patrick Bowen, Beverly Thompson's nephew, for comfort and healing.



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

Barbara Creamer, friend of Jane Hall & Tom Williams for comfort and healing.

Patton Gillis, and for caregiver, Karen Gillis.

Ann Bowman, for comfort and healing.

Ruth Hopkins, Sherron Threlkeld's mom, for comfort and healing.

Brenda Williams, Thom Williams 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.

February Birthday's: Seth Wyatt Denmark 7th; Betsy Norton 9th; Meg (Ladson) Floyd 15th;
Thom Williams 17th; Gray Barbee 26th; Jane Hall-Williams 26th.

February Anniversaries:

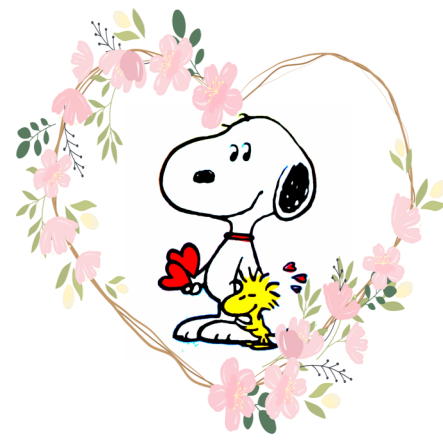




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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE: In-Person Sunday Service

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.



FEBRUARY 2025 SUNDAY SERVER SCHEDULE

	8:00 am Lector	8:00 am Eucharistic Minister	10:30 a.m. Lector	10:30 am Eucharistic Minister
February 2	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Hugh Jordan	Jack Dell
February 9	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Burt Swancey	Beverly Thompson
February 16	Twalla Haley	Rebecca Miller	Martha Dekle	Teresa Barrera-Edge
February 23	No Service	No Service	Hugh Jordan	No Eucharist

	Altar Guild	Greeters/Bread & Wine	Acolyte	Alms/Usher
February 2	Karen Hidalgo	Karen Hidalgo	Youth	Karen Hidalgo
February 9	Jackie Moses	Jackie Moses	Youth	Jackie Moses
February 16	Anne Roller	Anne Roller	Youth	Anne Roller
February 23	Christine Roller	Christine Roller	Youth	Christine Roller
			Youth	

	Special Reception Coffee or Lunch	Collection Counter	
February 2		Hugh Jordan / Jack Dell	
February 9	ECW Valentines Day Coffee Hour	Beverly Thompson / Carol Rice	
February 16		Martha Dekle / Jane Hall-Williams	
February 23		Beverly Thompson / Carol Rice	

