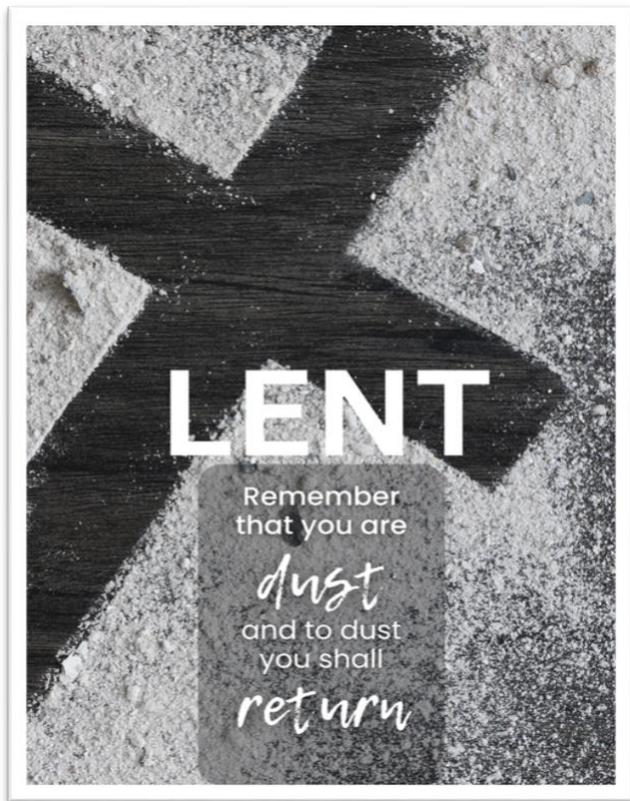


# The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2026



## Episcopal Church of the Annunciation

*“All Baptized Christians, regardless of age or church affiliation, are welcome to take communion”*

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**THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
MORNING PRAYER RITE I**

Prelude

**The Word of God**

Silent Processional

Scripture Sentence For Lent

BCP 38

*“If we say that we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness”. -1 John 1:8, 9*

The Confession of Sin

BCP 41

The Invitatory & Psalter

BCP 42

*The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us adore him.*

The Venite

BCP 44

The First Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm 23

BCP 612

The Second Lesson

Ephesians 5:8-14

Sequence: *Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old*

Hymnal 567

The Gospel

John 9:1-41

The Sermon

Foster Peterson, Seminarian

The Apostles Creed

BCP 53

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 54

Suffrages B

BCP 55

The Collect of the Day

BCP 167

Prayers of the People

Intercessor

The Peace *(All greet one another in the name of the Lord)*

Offertory Music: *I want to walk as a child of the light*

Hymnal 490

The General Thanksgiving

BCP 58

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

BCP 59

Recessional: *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

Hymnal 690

Blessings & Dismissal

BCP 59

Postlude

**Welcome to Episcopal Church of the Annunciation**

*If this is your first time with us, we hope you will join us for coffee hour after the 8:30 or 10:30AM services for fellowship & refreshments. Please sign the guest book or fill out a guest card so we can answer any questions you may have about ECA. Thank you for joining us today.*

## Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Prayer List

Elizabeth, Jackie, Laura, Zack & Charlotte, Rae & Chris, Lucas, Jeannie & John, Bill, Irene, Lillian, Jan, Tom, Dionne, Don, Steve, Marge, Chuck, Jada, Diane, Leo, Gladys, Emberly, Marcia, Julia, Gavin, Corbin, Brandi, Sarah, David, Charles, Holly, Berkenkamp Family, Shannon, Trez, John, Tom, Alaina, Shannon, Piper, Carol, Darryl, Dawn, Bill & Sue, Keith, Bella and Ed; for our Vestry; for those in the armed forces especially Donnie, Geoff, Bob, Lawrence, Matt, Paul, Tod, Ryan, Mark, & Josh; and for any unspoken prayers.

## Birthdays

3/18 Colter Stinchcomb    3/19 Doug Sweet  
3/18 Wyatt Stinchcomb    3/20 Sharon Beck

## Anniversaries

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## Easter Lilies and Flowers

Dedications for Easter Lilies & Flowers are now being accepted. Please fill out a form in the Narthex and give flowers in “Memory of” or “with Thanksgiving” for someone special during this Easter Celebration.

## Investor Spotlight:

*Each week, we will feature a person, a ministry, or an event to spotlight the investment of time, talent or treasure in the life of our parish and the blessing it brings. **This week the vestry is featuring Irene Griggs.** Irene has been a member at ECA for more than 10 years, and during that time has been actively involved in many ministries. Irene sings in the choir, is a member of the Altar Guild, she is a co-chair of St. Martha’s Guild, is a dedicated member of the English Tea Committee and as an avid gardener, frequently works in the grounds and Memorial Garden even when there is no scheduled workday. Thank you, Irene, for everything you bring to our ECA community in your quiet and unassuming way!*

## The Sunday Commissioning

In the name of Christ Jesus, and through the family of Church of the Annunciation, we send you out bearing these holy gifts for God’s holy people that those who will receive them with us may experience the majesty and mystery of His presence. We who are many are one body.

*People: **Because we all share one bread and one cup.***

## **Rite I Liturgy Used for Worship Services During the Season of Lent**

It's that time of year again in our worship season where we change from Rite II services in the prayer book to Rite I. Rite I has a penitential tone that moves us to a season of self-reflection and repentance as we prepare for the Easter resurrection. This change helps draw us into a period of self-examination of our faith as we worship together.

## **Now Collecting Easter Candy for Egg Hunt, please place in box in Narthex.**

Help support our Annual Easter Egg Hunt by donating small individually wrapped peanut-free candies or other small items (stickers, erasers, etc.) There will be a bin in the narthex to collect donations. Easter is April 5<sup>th</sup> this year. Thank You!

## **Men's Group Meeting Today at 9:45am in Activities Building**

The ECA men's group is meeting between services in the activities building. The meeting will start at 9:45 sharp. All men are asked and encouraged to join to discuss this year's events. A list that will be presented and discussed. Your input is requested.

## **Southern Comforters meeting Today at Noon in the Activities Bldg.**

All are welcome to fellowship with those who knit and crochet to make blankets for children in difficult circumstances, and prayer shawls for our parishioners and friends. This ministry meets on the third Sunday of each month after services in the Act. Bldg.

## **ECW Events/Outings for March & Annual Project to benefit Women's Shelters**

Outings: Sun., 3/22, GSO Chorus Concert at First Presbyterian Church in Marietta. Tues., 3/24 Dinner at Dina's Italian Kitchen in Woodstock. Sat., 3/28 Potluck Game Day at noon (bring your favorite game). See Janice Maxwell with questions or to RSVP. Bring your friends! Additionally, ECW is participating in the Diocese of Atlanta ECW Annual Project by donating purses and travel size toiletries to local women's shelters. Gently used or new purses are needed. Thank you!

## **Join the ECA Family for our 40th Anniversary Celebration Cruise Sept 21-26th!**

This 5-day Caribbean Cruise departing from Tampa, Fla. will be fun for the entire family. Contact Karen Reaves (770-330-5392) to reserve your spot today!

## **Lenten Series Continues on Wednesdays: "Will You?" Baptismal Covenant**

Join us as we revisit the promises we make when we answer these questions, "I will, with God's help." The Lenten Series provides an opportunity each week to read, discern and dig deeper into our baptismal identity and Christian witness. Sign up to bring soup, bread or salad in the Narthex. Meeting thru March 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **Mark Your Calendar for an ECA Clean Up Day: We need You! March 21<sup>st</sup> at 8am**

Because every Easter deserves a fresh start, we are having a Spring Clean-up Day on Saturday, March 21 beginning at 8:00 am-1:00! Please consider helping to clean inside or outside. There's a suggestion poster as a guide. Snacks & waters will be provided. Any help & time you can give will be deeply appreciated!

## **Youth Event Next Sunday, March 22: Roller Skating at Hot Wheels!**

Youth are invited to skate after church on Sunday, March 1st at 2pm at Hot Wheels, 228 Farm Ridge Drive NE, Woodstock, GA 30188. See Lily Lippert to learn more or RSVP.

## **Each Month we provide our Year-to-Date Financials (\*Not finalized)**

<b>Through February 2026</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>+/-</b>
Revenues	\$36,627	\$45,578	(\$8,951)
Expenses	\$42,542	\$45,939	\$3,397
Net Year	(\$5,915)	(\$361)	(\$5,554)

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