

Prelude Ann Myers

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Walter L. Taylor

*Call to Worship (Ps. 134:8; 95:6-7)
Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
O Come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

People: For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.

*Doxology (Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH)
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

*Hymn of Praise 119 I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Confession of Sin
Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.
People: If we confess our sins,
God is faithful and just to forgive our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
Pastor: Let us pray:
All: We confess to you, heavenly Father,
our many sins, remembered and forgotten,
the secret sins committed in our hearts,
and our sins against you and our brothers and sisters.
Forgive us our wasted and misused time.
Forgive us our neglected and forgotten duties.
Forgive us our uncharitable words and thoughts.
Forgive us our broken promises.
Forgive us when we excuse our own sins
by pointing out the sins of others.
Have mercy upon us for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Remake us in his image, that we may serve you
with the joy and delight of the children of God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



(Period of Silence for personal confession and meditation.)

Declaration of Pardon and Summary of the Law Dr. Taylor

Anthem "Is He Worthy" (Peterson/Shive/Benson) Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Philippians 3:12-21 (Pew Bible, p. 1166)

*Hymn 706 Jesus Lives, and So Shall I

Children 4 years – 3rd Grade may go to Children’s Church.

Sermon “Citizenship in Heaven” Dr. Taylor

Pastoral Prayer

*Apostles’ Creed (Trinity Hymnal, p. 845)

*Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen. Amen.

*Closing Hymn 581 Fight the Good Fight

*Benediction Dr. Taylor

Choral Benediction "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Choir

Postlude Ann Myers

*Congregation may stand.



Be aware that we will not be passing offering plates in worship service. Instead, we invite all who would like to contribute to our congregation to do so using the collection box at the entrance to the sanctuary or by the door to the hallway, either before or after the service.

If you would like to donate online, you may do so at our website: www.oipres.org and click on the “Donate” tab.

REPORT ENDING WEEK: September 20
General Funds Received \$ 2,272
General Fund Received Year-to-Date \$256,832
Weekly \$ 6,801
Budgeted YTD \$258,438

Attendance Report: September 20
In Service 75
On Line 22

THE SESSION
Moderator: Dr. Walter L. Taylor
Clerk: Brenda Hall
Class of 2026: Patricia Bressler (Worship)
Glenda Dennis (Finance)
Bill Neeb (Personnel)
Class of 2027: Brenda Hall (Clerk)
Dirk Mroczek (Outreach)
Sandi Scott (Scholarship)
Class of 2028: Mary Margaret Carman (Missions)
Amanda Smith Jackway (Nurture and Education)
Phil Johnson (Communications)

THE BOARD OF DEACONS
Moderator: Tom Jarvis
Recording Clerk: Judy Naquin
Class of 2026: David Carman (Property)
Marshall Scott (Property)
Class of 2027: Richard Davis (Property)
Tom Jarvis (Moderator)
Kent Winrich (Technology)
Class of 2028: Matt Bradley (Technology)
Penny Howard (Ushers)
Judy Naquin (Birthdays)



Hearing Impaired Assistance

Hearing Impaired listening devices are available in the church Narthex. Four units are available for each worship service and located on a table at the left side of the Narthex as you enter the Sanctuary. If you require hearing assistance, pick up one of the devices, turn it on and place the ear buds in your ears, adjusting the volume to your comfort level. Please report any problems with a device to an usher.

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This Week

Next Week

Newsletter

A circular logo for the Oak Island Episcopal Church's 50th anniversary. The top arc contains the text "TO THE GLORY OF GOD" in white serif font on a dark blue background. Five golden bells are arranged in an arc above the center. The number "50" is rendered in large, golden, three-dimensional numerals. Behind the "50" is a white church steeple with a grey roof, set against a background of a blue sky with white clouds and a green tree on the right. A dark blue ribbon banner at the bottom contains the text "OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY" in white serif font. Below the banner, the years "1976 • 2026" are displayed in a dark blue serif font, separated by a small golden floral ornament. The bottom arc of the logo contains the text "OAK ISLAND EPC" in a dark blue serif font.



Welcome to Oak Island Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

We invite everyone to join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall immediately following our worship service.

We have a nursery available during the Worship Service for children through age 4.

We offer Children's Church for children age 4 through the third grade.

Please silence or turn off cell phones.

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Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.