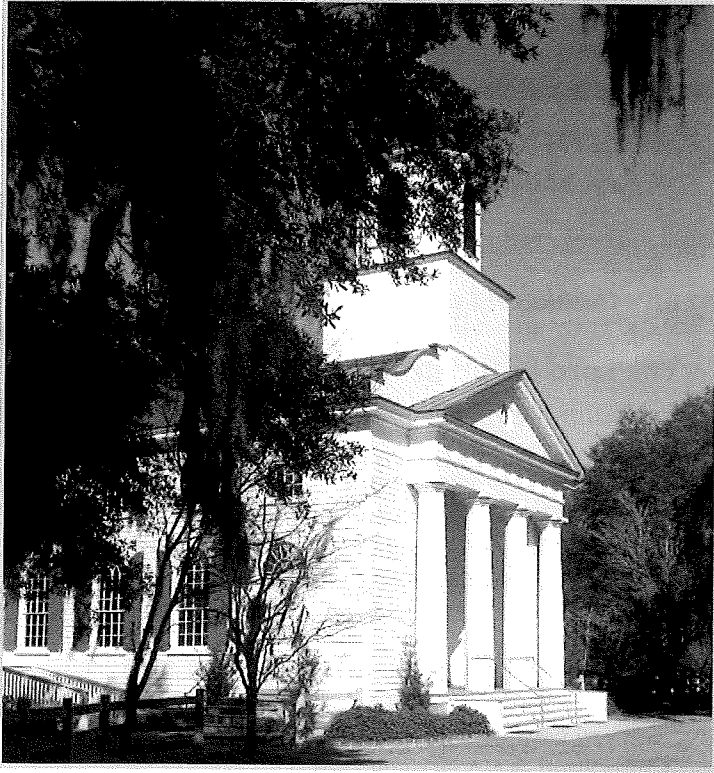


The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island

FOUNDED 1685
CHURCH CONSTRUCTED 1830



The Mission Statement of The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island:
In response to God's love and grace, through Jesus Christ, we commit to
learning, proclaiming, and living the love of God.

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The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island

December 16, 2012

3rd Sunday of Advent

Liturgical Color: Purple

Ten O'Clock

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

"Enter to worship...

9:55 am PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY *Chorale: From Heaven Above to Earth I Come* -Bach
Savior of the Nations, Come -Vetter

CALL TO WORSHIP

(see Isa. 12:2-3)

Leader: *Give thanks and call upon the holy name of the most high God.*

People: **The Lord is our strength and our salvation.**

Leader: *Proclaim the mercy of the One who comes as one of us.*

People: **With joy you will draw water from the wells of peace.**

Leader: *Praise the LORD.*

People: **The LORD's name be praised!**

***HYMN OF
PRAISE #41**

O Come, All Ye Faithful

-Adeste Fideles

WORDS OF WELCOME & HOSPITALITY

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

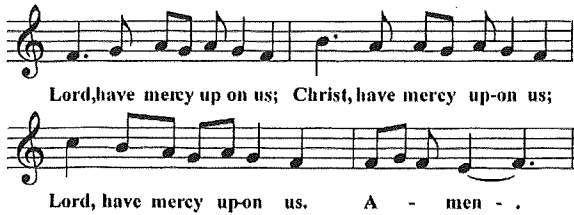
-The Stockton Family

THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In your presence, Holy God, we confess that we need repentance. We have broken your commands against idolatry. We do not live in peace with your creation or your people. We have not trusted your word, and we are afraid. Forgive us, restore us, and turn our shame into praise, for the sake of the One who proclaims the good news and for the sake of all the world. (SILENT

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION)



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(see Zeph. 3:15)

Friends, believe the good news: In the name of the one God who lives and moves among us, you are forgiven. The Lord has taken away the judgments against you. Do not worry. Live in peace.

***GLORIA PATRI #579**

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.

***HYMN #23**

Angels We Have Heard on High

-Gloria

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

First Reading:

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Second Reading:

Luke 3:7-18

SERMON:

One Who is More Powerful

-Dr. Dennis

OUR RESPONSE

SHARING OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND PRAYER REQUESTS

OFFERTORY

Et in Terra Pax

-Purifoy

***RESPONSE #592**

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's Creed

(Hymnal, Page 14)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN #31

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

-Mendelssohn

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Threefold Amen

-Danish

VOLUNTARY

Magnificat

-Dandrieu

...leave to serve."

****Those that are able please stand.***

Visitors & Guests: It is a special joy to have you worship with us at the Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island this morning. We welcome you to join us each Sunday for Breakfast at 8:30AM, Sunday School at 9AM, and Worship at 10AM.

Please sign our registry found on the side of your pew close to the door.

A nursery is provided for infants through kindergarten age children in the OMNI building next door. Following the Children's Moment, children will be dismissed to the nursery where they can be picked up after worship.

Ushers & Greeters for today are Bess Kellett and Allen Woods.

The Session will meet today immediate following worship.

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service will be at 7PM next Monday night. Everyone is welcome.

We cordially invite all of you to join us following worship today for refreshments on the patio in front of the sanctuary. A brief historical tour through the graveyard is also available after church for those who are interested.

Joshua Dennis would like to thank everyone who attended his birthday celebration at the Waterfront Restaurant last Sunday. Joshua says, "Thank you" for the gifts that he received. He is also grateful to Miss Darlene and Miss Okie for the Christmas and birthday celebration that he enjoyed during Sunday School.

Gifts for Needy Children of Edisto: Our Church is collecting packages of undergarments for needy children of Edisto. These items are distributed by the staff at Jane Edwards Elementary. Items most in need are: girls size 4 underpants, girls socks and leotards sizes 4-14, boys size 4 underpants, boys socks sizes 4-6 and undershirts of all sizes for girls and boys. Please place donations unwrapped under the Chrismon Tree in the Sanctuary. Thank you!

Community Bible Study: "Unshakeable Grace for All of Life's Challenges" by Penelope Wright. Four weeks of teachings of grace from January 9-30th each Wednesday from 2-4PM in the library at Trinity. No homework, no books. Just come and absorb the good news. Contact Kathy Smith at so-co29205@bellsouth.net for more details.

The Preschool is in need of scholarship funds. Currently there is a need for two scholarships - approximately \$350 a month. You can designate on your check "Preschool Scholarship" or put it into the offering in a separate envelope with "Preschool Scholarship" written on the outside. Any amount you can give will be a big help.

Teen Bible Study: Teens ages 13-19 are invited to attend a Bible Study on Sunday evenings from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Lions Club. Each church takes a turn providing a meal (subs, pizza, etc.) for 12-15 youths and chaperoning. Our Sunday is the first Sunday of each month. We need volunteers to help with this. If you can help, please call Ann Robinson (869-4981) or Joyce Lybrand (869-2307).

Reminder: You are invited to join in **chapel prayer** on Wednesday mornings at 11AM in the Prayer Chapel.

Remember in Prayer (Members/Affiliates/Friends of the Church): Jack Moseley, Tommy Yeargin, Betsy Thrash, Chuck & Vera Klotzberger, Jeb & Dennis Brantley, Johnnie Walker, Joyce Grimes and Bill Long.

Remember in Prayer (Friends, Family, and Loved Ones of Church Members): Mary Hornsby (Newton Hornsby), Billy Nicholson (Tami Knecht), John Moseley, Billy Topping (Jack & Dee Moseley), Harris Orsini, Linda Bizzell, Margaret Albenesius (Olivia Maxon), Jeff Tindall (Jo Ringer), Jimmy "Pete" Pedersen (Tommy & Nancy Sandel), Ben Whaley, Dave Salter (Archie Johnston), Matthew Lake (Gerry and Okie Murray), Melissa Corbin Barton (Mary Bost Reed), Levi Johnson (Brenda Clamp), Ruth Hoover (Bill Johnston), Ellen Brown (Maxine Clay), Stan Latorre, Patrick Panzica (Lois Anderson), Ayers Watson (Buddy & Dianne Watson), Bob Arminstead (Bill & Betty Partenheimer), Charlene Ocampo (Linda Manus), Vivienne Good (John & Glennis Anderson), Ruby Tumbleston, Gordon Wells, Deanna Barteet, Joseph Daniel Barteet, Mike Thomas (Carla and Raymond Tumbleston) Donnie Henderson (Bob & Beth Foster), Doris Pursley, Raymond Casto, the Quimby family, Billy Casto (Elizabeth Murray), Peter McKoy (Adair McKoy), Burden Bookhart (Bunny Perkins) and Timothy Heath (Rev. Rob Heath).

Serving in the Military: Seth Sanders CJTF Paladin (EHCC), Bagram Airfield, APO AE 09354 (Steve and Darlene Johnson); Sgt. Jeffery J. Jernigan, Fort Rucker, Alabama (Jerrel and Gail Jernigan).

Our deepest Christian sympathy to the family of Cynthia Bolbach who passed away this week. Ms. Bolbach was immediate past Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA).