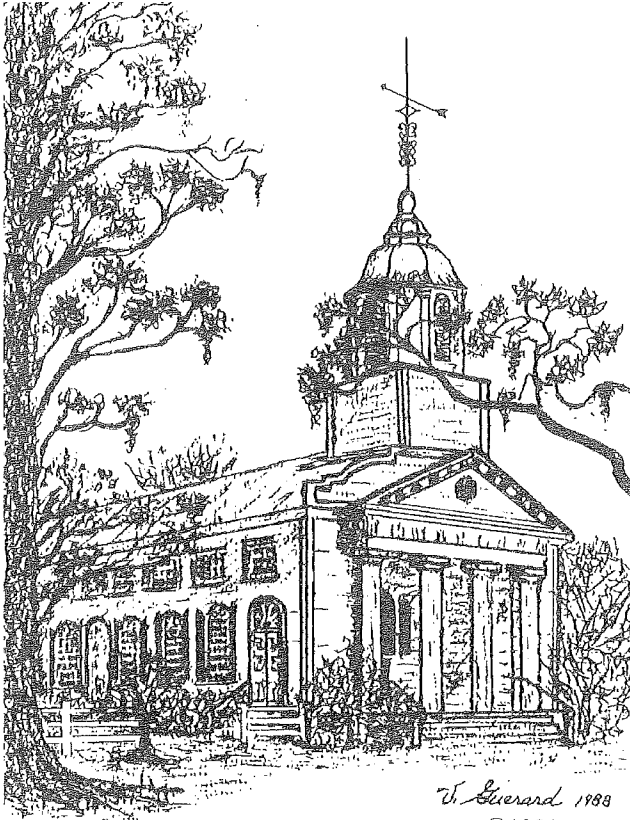


# The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island

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

May 10, 2015

6th Sunday of Easter

Liturgical Color: White

Ten O'Clock

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

**“Enter to worship...**

**9:55 am PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

**VOLUNTARY**

*Theme from ‘Finlandia’*

-Sibelius

*Joy Dawned Again*

-Wilson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Psalm 98:1-8)

*Leader: Sing to our God a new song.*

**People: God has done marvelous things!**

*Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord!*

**People: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

*Leader: Let the sea roar and all that fills it.*

**People: Let the world and its people sing together for joy.**

**\*HYMN OF**

**PRAISE #356**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

-Nettleton

**WORDS OF WELCOME & HOSPITALITY**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION - MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING**

**CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFT OF CHILDREN**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. In Christ, you claim us as children, but we disobey your commands. In Christ, you call us friends, but we have not been faithful to you. Forgive us, God of Grace. By the power of your Spirit help us to abide in your love and share that love with others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (SILENT CONFESSION)**

Lord, have mercy up on us; Christ, have mercy up-on us;

Lord, have mercy upon us. A - men - .

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Christ loves us so much that he laid down his life for us and calls us his friends. If we can forgive our friends, how much more does Christ forgive us! I declare to you, in Christ we are forgiven and reconciled to God. Amen.

**\*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 #384**      *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*      -St. Margaret

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Gospel:**                      John 15:9-17  
**New Testament:**        1 John 5:1-6

**SERMON**                      *No Greater Love*                      -Reverend Sanders

**OUR RESPONSE**

**SHARING OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND PRAYER REQUESTS**

**OFFERTORY**                      *The Festal Day*                      -Hopson

**\*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**

LITANY FOR MOTHERS \* (see special insert)

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 Apostles' 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 #366

*Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

-St. Catherine

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL  
RESPONSE

*Alleluia! Give Thanks*

(refrain only)

VOLUNTARY

*Processional on 'Bryn Calfaría'*

-Lachenauer

*(Please be seated for the Closing Voluntary and then depart - with hope and joy.)*

**...leave to serve."**

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

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## LITANY FOR MOTHERS

Gracious God, on this day of celebration, we lift up to you those who have given us life, those who have loved us, those who have blessed us, and those who have taught us. Today we pray for our mothers.

**May your blessing pour out upon the women who gave us birth, and those grace-filled and strong women of faith who have been mothers to us throughout our lives.**

Where we have seen your face in any woman who has been to us a mother, in her face we have seen your light and your love and we give thanks – for where they have loved, they have kept your word and blessed us.

**Today we pray for our mothers who cared for us when we were helpless and comforted us when we were hurt. We pray for those who are grieving the loss of their mothers and those who are separated from their mothers for any reason.**

Bless all mothers and grandmothers, aunts, and others and bless all of us who are their children. We praise you, O God, for sharing your love through our mothers, both strong and humble, both kind and true, both gentle and fierce.

**We give our grateful praise for you have blessed us and provided loving hands that have worked hard to raise us and cared enough to correct us. We thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end. For we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them.**

We offer this prayer in the name of Christ, who taught us to pray saying...

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Visitors & Guests:** It is a special joy to have you worship with us at the Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island this morning. We invite you to join us each Sunday in our Education Building for a light breakfast and fellowship at 8:30AM followed by Sunday School at 9AM, and Worship at 10AM.

**Please sign our registry** found in your pew close to the door.

**A nursery is provided** in the education building next door. Following the Children's Moment, children will be escorted to the nursery where they can be picked up after worship.

**Ushers & Greeters** for today are Margaret and Jim McCord.

**The Flowers** in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Jud and Fran Davis in honor of all mothers!

**Sunday School EVERY Sunday at 9AM** in the E&F Building Next Door:  
**Children:** Explore the stories of the Bible using the Feasting on the Word denominational curriculum. **Adult:** **The Covenant Class** is studying "The Message of Romans" by John Stott. **The Grapevine Class** has an overview of the Old Testament. Please join us for Sunday School.

**Bible Study:** Join us for a Bible Study led by Pastor Ashley, Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30AM, now thru May 27th. Bring a Bible and join us at the Manse. Our study is focusing on the book of Micah.

**Family Night Supper** will be this Wednesday, May 13th at 6PM in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome!

**SOCK IT TO US!!!** Three weeks left in our khaki drive. Let's see how much we can gather. Please bring new khaki or navy pants, skirts or shorts in children's sizes 4 and up and/or children's socks and underwear to put in the box. These items will be distributed to children whose families cannot afford to purchase school uniforms for them.

**Caregiver Support:** Tuesday, May 19th at 10AM, we will host a Care Givers Support Informational Meeting in the Fellowship Hall. This opportunity is for individuals and families who are providing care for a loved one or for anyone who is aging and desiring more information from both a spiritual and social perspective on aging gracefully. We have invited Mr. Don Bagwell from the Trident Agency on Aging to join us and share resources and opportunities within our community. Pastor Ashley will lead time of study and devotion as well as provide faith based resources. We want to hear from you: What are your needs? How can the church support you? Please come to the informational meeting or call Pastor Ashley if you have any questions.

**Our Preschool Graduation** will be Friday, May 22nd at 9:30AM in the Omni. Everyone is invited to attend this joyful celebration.

**The next Edisto Blood Drive** is May 19th from 10:30AM to 5PM at Edisto Beach Baptist Church. It is in honor of Dave Blauch, who has given blood many times himself here at Edisto. Dave and his wife, Denise work hard in our community, so please come out and show Dave your support by giving a pint in honor of him. If you need an appointment or forgot your time contact Jeanine Rhodes (843-893-7702 or jgrhodes@lowcountry.com).

**The Welcome Workshop** is an opportunity to learn about our church and what it means to be a member of this community. During this class we'll explore these topics together as we discern God's call upon our lives. Join us as we share a light deli lunch and conversation, Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> after worship. If you are interested in learning more about this church, this is the class for you! If you are undecided about membership, this is the class for you! If you would like to be a member of PCEI, this is the class for you! Call Pastor Ashley if you have any questions.

**A free exercise class** is offered in the Omni Fridays from 9-10AM. The class is for the congregation and its friends. Come check it out!

**Remember in Prayer (Members/Affiliates/Friends of the Church):** Dee & John Moseley, Jim Heaton, Joyce & Larry Grimes, Beth Smoak, Olivia Maxon, Caroline Boineau, Betsy Thrash, Carolyn Hammond, Jake & Duck Lomas, Newton Hornsby, Billy Hills, David Lybrand, Linda Manus, Bill Partenheimer, Alan Freeman, Gerry Murray, and Sam Lybrand.

**Remember in Prayer (Friends, Family, and Loved Ones of Church Members):** Patrick Panzica (Lois Anderson), Shelly Myers (Sandra Collins), Gordon Locatis (Elaine Freeman), Mike Skinner (Mary Tichy), Samuel DuPree Lybrand (Sam Lybrand), Don Yeargin (Tom Yeargin), Karen Evans, Vivian and Frank Fidler (Bill & Betty Partenheimer), Rob Bullard (Bob & Beth Foster), Sharon Eubanks (Brenda Barnes), Kathy Maxon, Chloe, Elizabeth Neustadt (Olivia Maxon), Bob Davis (Bess Kellett), Mac McCord, Everett Smith, Ann Epting, Joan Kemper, Bill Robinson (Jim and Margaret McCord), Les Tindal and family and The families of Max Craig and Austin Rhodes (Maxine Clay), Sandra Leshner, Dave, Denise Blauch (Stan & Linda Manus), Ed Tracy (L. Johnson), Diedra West, Joseph Murray (Linda Murray), Deanna Barteet, Joseph Daniel Barteet, Bill Butt, Arthur Black (Carla and Raymond Tumbleston), Ray Fisk, Jay Johnson, Lamar Godley (Charles Hallex), Cliff Songer (Tom Anderson), Ross Taylor (Ashley Sanders), Joel and Rebecca Mashburn (Joe Low), John McDaniel and Margaret Arnette.

**Serving in the Military:** 1st Lieutenant Erik Burg, Fort Drum, NY (Pete Blair), and L. Corporal Albert Moriarty, Okinawa, Japan (Janet and David Ronk).