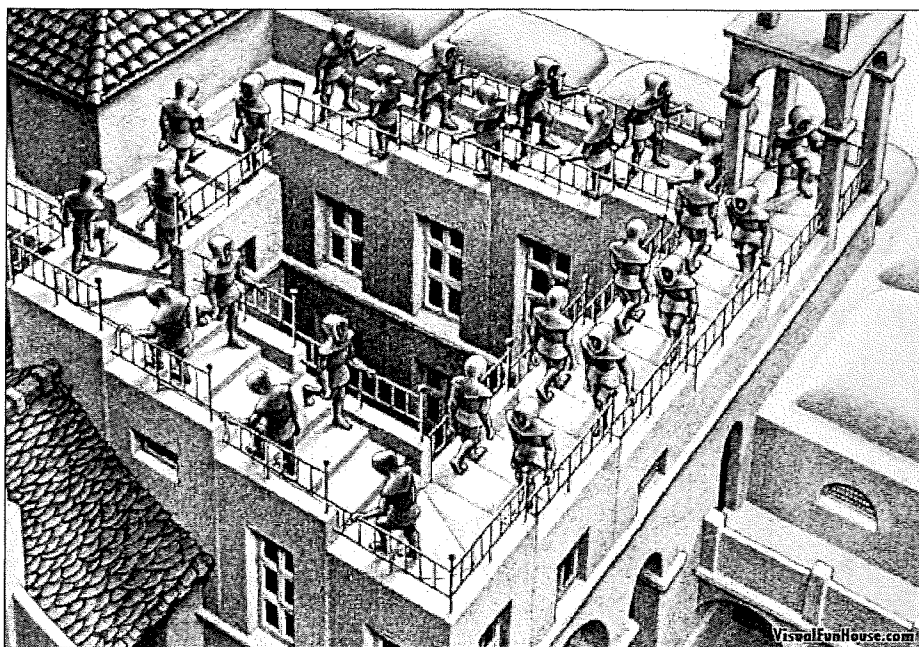


“Ascending and Descending”

by MC Escher



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

July 23, 2017

7th Sunday after Pentecost
Ten O'Clock

Liturgical Color: Green

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

**As you are able, please stand in body or in spirit.*

"Enter to worship..."

9:55 am PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Let All Things Now Living

-Lachenauer

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: From the North and the South, to the East and
the West,*

People: God calls us to be his disciples.

Leader: In our service, God promises to be with us and for us,

People: never forsaking us, always caring for us.

*Leader: We are the descendants of Abraham, with whom God
made his covenant.*

**People: We are those descendants, too many to count,
blessed to be a blessing.**

Leader: Therefore, let us sing God's praises!

***HYMN #430**

Come Sing, O Church in Joy!

-Darwall's 148th

WORDS OF WELCOME & HOSPITALITY

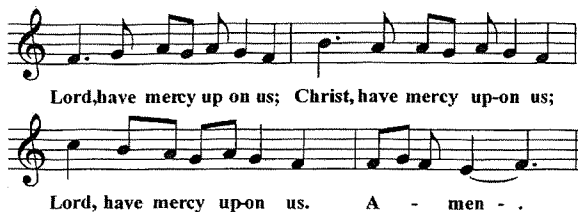
CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFT OF CHILDREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the heavenly stair, we are imperfect people, longing for a glimpse of your glory. We are like Jacob praying for a fresh start after a past that still makes us blush. When we consider ourselves, we find we have been too quick to excuse ourselves from responsibility. Yet, you call us again and again to your service. Restore our imaginations and our hearts. Let your courage and compassion flow through our veins until we become the people

you envision us to be. We pray in Christ's name...

(Silent Confession)



Lord, have mercy up on us; Christ, have mercy up-on us;
Lord, have mercy up-on us. A - men - .

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers, hear the word of the Lord. In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, God says unequivocally, irrevocably: you are my own; you are forgiven; I need you to be about my business in the world. May it be so. 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 #139

Come, Thou Almighty King

-Italian Hymn

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Old Testament: Genesis 28:10-19a

Gospel: Acts 6:1-7

SERMON

Ascending and Descending

-Rev. Sanders

OUR RESPONSE

*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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND PRAYER REQUESTS

OFFERTORY

Sweet Hour of Prayer

-Powell

***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**

***HYMN #422**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

-Beach Spring

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL
RESPONSE#586**

Danish Amen

VOLUNTARY

Chorale

-Fedak

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

...leave to serve."

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 for adults and children at 9AM, and Worship at 10AM.

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

A nursery is provided in the building next door. Following the Children's Moment, children whose parents wish for them to go to the nursery will be escorted next door where they can be picked up after worship.

Ushers & Greeters for today are Tom and Trisha Anderson.

The Flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Brenda Barnes in memory of her parents.

Financial Statements for January - June 2017 are on the Church porch. Please pick yours up today.

Our Welcome Workshop is today immediately after Worship. If you would like to learn more about our mission and ministry here and/ or if you are interested in becoming a Member or Affiliate, this workshop is for you! Lunch will be served. If you are interested in Membership, but do not plan to attend the Workshop, please contact Pastor Sanders.

The Thornwell Home for Children's Gift Basket is on the church porch. Pick up a list of items requested to take on your shopping trips! Our hope is to fill many baskets over the summer.

Our Hands of Christ Distribution is this Wednesday, July 26, at 5PM at The Edisto Presbyterian Church on Cypress Bottom Road. We will be distributing school uniforms and school supplies to local children. If you are able to help with this we would love to have you. We will need a few strong men (or women) to help unload boxes around 3PM and then reload after the distribution around 7PM. The distribution itself begins at 5PM, so we will need the rest of the volunteers who will help the children "shop" to arrive around 4:30. After the distribution volunteers are invited to stay for supper. If you would like to participate, please contact Susan Roberts at landfall2@mindspring.com or 843-869-4346.

S.T.E.P.S. pre-registration cost is \$35. You get 3 workshops, 2 worship services, and 1 lunch! Brochures are available in the church office or at www.capresbytery.org/steps.

The Edisto Blood Drive is this Tuesday, July 25, from 10:30AM - 5PM at the Civic Center. Give blood and save a life.

Remember In Prayer (Members/Affiliates/Friends of the Church):

John Moseley, Jim Heaton, Caroline Boineau, Betsy Thrash, Jake & Duck Lomas, Newton Hornsby, Bunny Perkins, Sam Lybrand, Sam Todd, Arlene Rosheim, Vera Klotzberger, June McRoy, Shelly Rainwater, and Tom Yeargin.

Remember in Prayer (Friends, Family, and Loved Ones of Church Members):

Shelly Myers (Sandra Collins), Samuel DuPree Lybrand (Sam Lybrand), Vivian and Frank Fidler (Betty Partenheimer), Sharon and Mike Eubanks, (Brenda Barnes), Sandra Leshner (Stan and Linda Manus), Joseph Daniel Barteet, Arthur Black, Fran Holcombe, Ryan Nettles (Carla Tumbleston), Luke Herndon (Okie Murray), Will Myers (Pat Moseley), David and Vivian Good (Weldon Burns), Mac McCord, Katie Budds (Jim and Margaret McCord), Chris King (Buddy and Dianne Watson), Marilyn Myers (Paula Burns), Betty Robinson (Ann and Eddie Robinson), Ben Whaley (Rick and Irene Ackerman), Wanda Alexander, Sarah, Ellie, Romeo (Claudette Alexander), Will Pierce (Maxine Clay), Tony Alessi (Mike and Ann Atchley), Chloe Guarza (Bonnie Lee), Gordon Locatis, Rebecca Anne Gearhart (Elaine Freeman), Pat Myers, Roane Auld (Libba Johnson), Belaustegui Family (Nancy Wherry), Sara Franklin (Bill Franklin), Bill Cox, Clare Cook Faggart (Cathy Price), Mott Parker, Eliza Messersmith, Candi Hawkins, John Harrison, and Joedy Watson (Bess Kellett).

Serving in the Military: Lieutenant Joe Low, III, Afghanistan.

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