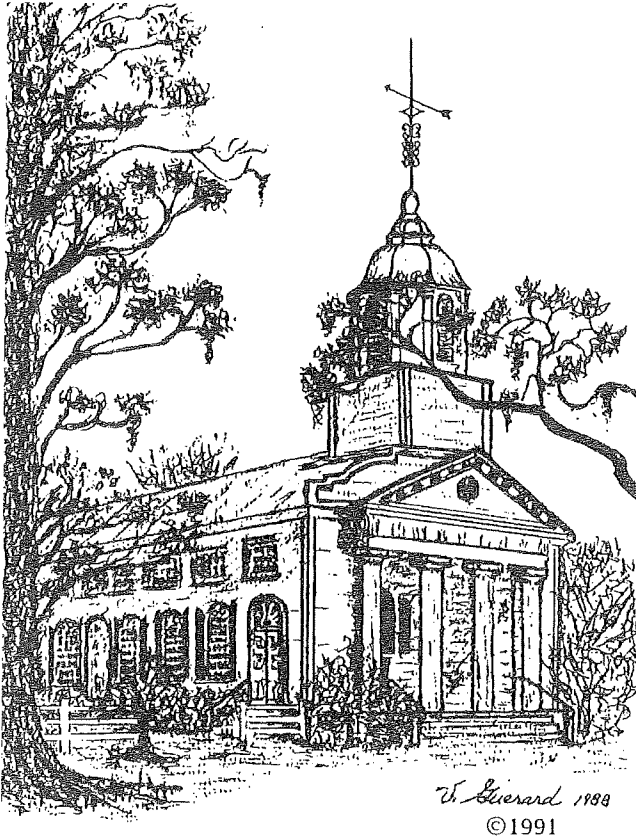


# The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island

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

September 24, 2017

16th 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**

*Pastorella  
Trompette Jubilante*

Rathgeber  
Penfield

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: Whether you arrived here first this morning or came in as the service was beginning, God bids you joyful welcome.*

**People: We thank you and thank God for this generous welcome.**

*Leader: You are precious in God's sight, a delight in God's presence.*

**People: Lord, we have come seeking your healing mercy.**

*Leader: Know that God's compassionate love is poured over you this day.*

**People: Hallelujah! AMEN.**

**\*HYMN #420**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

CWM Rhondda

**WORDS OF WELCOME & HOSPITALITY**

**CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFT OF CHILDREN**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

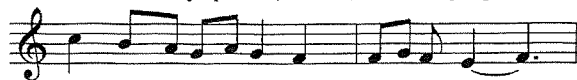
**Forgiving Lord, we are such jealous people. We want to make sure that we get what we deserve, that we are always treated fairly. Yet we complain when you treat others, who have not worked as hard or been as faithful, with such love. Just like the workers in the Gospel lesson, we want to know why you are as generous with the late-comers as you are with us, after all, we whine, we've been here longer. You are merciful and compassionate. You do not count the time, but the quality of the heart. Forgive us, generous Lord, when we have been so petty about your love. Heal and restore us. Help us reach out with love and**

hope to others in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

(Silent Confession)



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



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

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of God, our sins are forgiven; we are reconciled to God. Let us therefore love one another with gratitude in our hearts and praise on our lips.

### \*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 #339

*Be Thou My Vision*

Slane

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**New Testament: Philippians 1:21-30**

**Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16**

### SERMON

*You're Hired!*

Rev. Agan

### 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**

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.

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

**OFFERTORY**                      *My Faith is Firmly Found*                      Wells/Bach

**\*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 #280**      *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*      Amazing Grace

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL  
RESPONSE#586**                      *Danish Amen*

**VOLUNTARY**                      *Excerpt from 'Fanfare for St. John's'*                      Martin

*(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 and Greeters** for today are Tom and Trisha Anderson.

**The Flowers** in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Ann Lovegrove in celebration of the spirit of the Edisto Islanders who pulled together during Irma.

**Welcome Reverend Steve Agan back to our pulpit!** Steve is a retired pastor who is credentialed through the Disciples of Christ, Christian Church. Steve served as a pastor of Presbyterian, USA churches in South Dakota for 18 years, 12 of those years he pastored 2 churches simultaneously. Steve and his wife Janell moved to SC last October to be near their 2 daughters and sons-in-law and 4 grandchildren. Steve now works part-time at Wild Dunes working as a golfing ambassador (he literally gets paid to talk to people and make them laugh). He enjoys having the opportunity to supply preach and to meet new people. He is very grateful for the opportunity to return to Edisto and share in worship with you again.

**The Edisto Blood Drive** is this Tuesday, September 26th from 10:30AM-5:00PM at the Civic Center. Please give the gift of life.

**The Pastor's Bible Study** continues Wednesday at 10AM in the E&F. Join us as we study and discuss the Book of Acts. All are welcome!

**Presbyterian Women** will meet Monday, October 2, at 10AM in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome as we begin our study of Hebrews!

**The Session** will meet Tuesday, October 3, at 5PM in the E&F.

**Men's Breakfast** will be Saturday, October 7th, at 8AM in the Fellowship Hall. All men are welcome. Join us!

**Come to the Good Samaritan Clinic Open House** October 8, from 1-3PM with refreshments. Everyone is encouraged to come see what you are doing for your community!!!

**New Sunday School class topics began today.** The Grapevine Class is studying the Book of Revelation and the Covenant Class began a study of the Pastoral Epistles. Classes are also available for children and youth. Make plans to join us each Sunday, 8:30 am for breakfast and 9:00 am for classes!

**Membership:** For those desiring to join PCEI as a New Member or as an Affiliate Member, the Session has called a meeting on Sunday, October 1st immediately following worship to receive members. This will be a short meeting in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to join and have not yet indicated to Rev. Sanders, please call the church office or email [pastorpcei@gmail.com](mailto:pastorpcei@gmail.com). New Members will be welcomed during worship on Sunday, October 8th.

**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, Vera Klotzberger, June McRoy, Shelly Rainwater, Tom Yeargin, and Marie Asbill.

**Remember in Prayer (Friends, Family, and Loved Ones of Church Members):** Shelly Myers (Sandra Collins), Samuel DuPree Lybrand (Sam Lybrand), 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), Will Pierce (Maxine Clay), Chloe Guarza (Bonnie Lee), Gordon Locatis, Rebecca Anne Gearhart (Elaine Freeman), Roane Auld (Libba Johnson), Sara Franklin (Bill Franklin), Marc Yeadon, Clare Cook Faggart (Cathy Price), Mott Parker, Eliza Messersmith, Candi Hawkins, John Harrison (Bess Kellett), Jack and Luke Boldt (Dwight Frierson), DeWitt Helm (Ashley Sanders), Betty Robinson (Ann and Eddie Robinson), Vivian Fidler, and Nancy Garrett (Betty Partenheimer).

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

*Our deepest Christian sympathy to the Fidler family for their recent loss.  
Please keep them in your prayers as they mourn the  
passing of Betty Partenheimer's brother-in-law, Frank Fidler.*