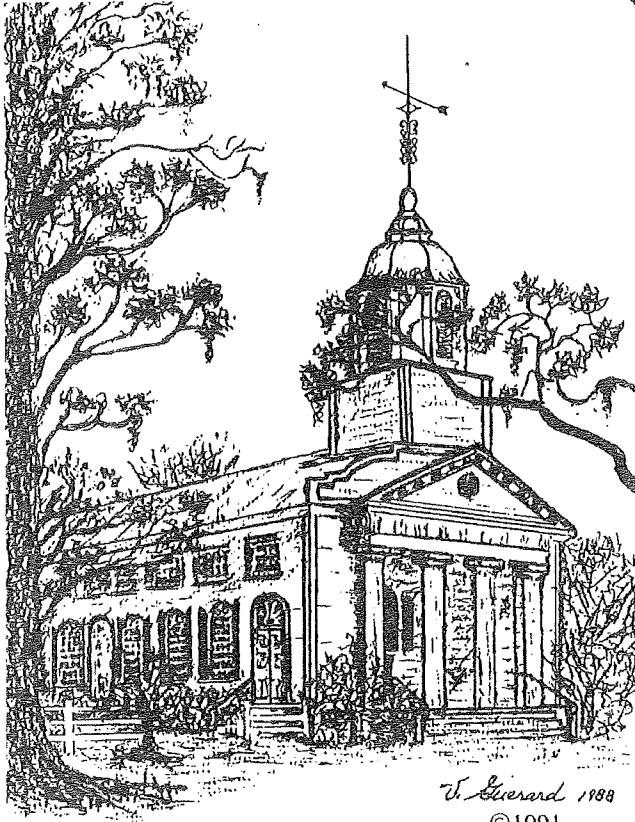


The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island

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 23, 2018

18th 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

Whispering Hope

arr. Hyatt

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Draw near to God, and grow strong in God's presence.

People: Seek God's wisdom, and know joy as God draws near to us.

Leader: Live as trees planted by living waters, and Christ will give you peace.

People: Rest in the shade of the Tree of Life, and Christ will lead you home.

Leader: Draw near to God, and God will draw near to you.

***HYMN #306**

Fairest Lord Jesus

Crusaders' Hymn

WORDS OF WELCOME & HOSPITALITY

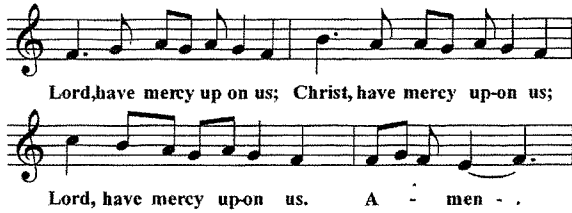
Linda Manus

CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFT OF CHILDREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We live in a world, O God, that looks for wisdom and understanding in all the wrong places. We desire what we do not need instead of longing after your will. You urge us to gentleness but we stir up conflict. Give us your grace and lead us back to the pathway of life, through Christ. Deal with us, not as we deserve, but forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us.

(Silent Confession)



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God blesses us with humility, gentleness, mercy, wisdom, and understanding. Draw near to God, and be assured, that with, through, and in Christ, we have experienced God's compassion and forgiveness. 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 #261**

*God of Compassion,
in Mercy Befriend Us*

O Quanta Qualia

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Old Testament: Psalm 1:1-3
New Testament: Mark 9:30-37

SERMON

Drawing Near

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 FOR 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

On Eagle's Wings

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***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 #396**

O for a Closer Walk with God

Caithness

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL**

RESPONSE#586

Danish Amen

**There will be a brief congregational meeting
in the Sanctuary following the service.**

...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 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. Following the Children's Moment, children 6 years old and under, 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 Jim McCord and Dottie Thomas.

A Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing elders will be immediately after worship today.

The Endowment Committee will meet in the E&F today following the Congregational Meeting.

The Mission Committee will meet in the E&F today following the Congregational Meeting.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry continues to meet Tuesdays at 10AM in the church library. If you knit or crochet, join us!

The Pastor's Bible Study continues Wednesdays at 10AM in the E&F Building. This Fall we will explore other world religions. The goal is not to become experts in these faiths, but to stretch what we know so that we can better understand and relate to our neighbors. You may have a Jewish friend or a Muslim neighbor or Hindu doctor, but do we really know how they live their faith? Join Pastor Ashley and others as we discuss some of the common religions we come across in our day. All are welcome.

Choir will meet this Wednesday at 6PM in the Sanctuary. If you sing, now is the perfect time to join the fun and fellowship. We have weekly rehearsals Wednesdays, September through May.

Community Chorus: If you'd like to sing in the Community Christmas Concert, December 1st and 2nd, come to rehearsals beginning Sunday, September 30th, at 3PM at Edisto Beach Baptist Church.

The Presbyterian Women will meet Monday, October 1st, at 10AM in the Fellowship Hall. All women are welcome.

Session will meet Tuesday, October 2nd, at 4PM in the E&F.

Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, October 6th, at 8AM in the Fellowship Hall. All men are invited.

The Flash is a weekly email that keeps you up to date on all the happenings here at PCEI. If you're not receiving it, please contact Cathy Price at cathycprice@yahoo.com.

Adult Sunday School Classes: **Grapevine** is studying the early Christian Church using *The Story of Christianity: Volume 1: the Early Church to the Dawn of the Reformation* by Justo L. Gonzalez. **Covenant** is discussing *Imaging Heaven* by John Burke.

Bible Study Opportunity: Thursdays at 3PM, Rosemary Ford is hosting a Bible Study on the book of Isaiah using Joanne Ellison's *Drawing Near to God* materials. You may register for this study at info@drawingneartogod.com. In answer to the question about groups, put in "Edisto Island Community Group". The cost is \$45 which includes both study book and web access to live streaming of lectures in addition to class time. Rosemary's address is 9170 Lottie Pope Rd in Middleton's. Her phone number is 843-296-8629. Join us!

Remember In Prayer (Members/Affiliates/Friends of the Church): John Moseley, Caroline Boineau, Betsy Thrash, Newton Hornsby, Bunny Perkins, Sam Lybrand, Sam Todd, Vera Klotzberger, Shelly Rainwater, Scott Bagnal, Beth Foster, Rebecca Williams, Bill Franklin, Bonnie Lee, Allen Harrison and Charles Hallex.

Remember in Prayer (Friends, Family, and Loved Ones of Church Members): Shelly Myers (Sandra Collins), Sharon and Mike Eubanks, (Brenda Barnes), Sandra Leshar (Stan and Linda Manus), Luke Hernon (Okie Murray), Mac McCord, Katie Budds (Jim and Margaret McCord), Will Pierce (Maxine Clay), Roane Auld (Libba Johnson), Sara Franklin (Bill Franklin), Chris King, Maxcy Westmoreland (Buddy and Dianne Watson), Samuel DuPree Lybrand, (Sam Lybrand), Jan and Lenny Goldman (Drew Weeks), Rainey Josey and family (Linda Bush), Izzie Brooks (Irene Ackerman), Betty Robinson (Ann and Eddie Robinson), Karen Grant (Pat Moseley), Buzz Foster, John Harrison, Claircy Purinton, Bud Skidmore, David Derrick (Bess Kellett), Leslie Pate (Glenda Pate), and Tye Armatage (Beth Vanhaastrecht), Peggy Babb (Marc and Karen Coker), Tommy Stone, Clare Cook Faggart, Bill Cox (Cathy Price), Maggie Moody (Mary Floyd), Martha Nan Meredith (Mary Jo Barreto), Ellie Wilson (Roy Smoak), and Ben Johnson (Lois Anderson).

Our deepest Christian sympathy to the Hasty family for their recent loss. Please keep them in your prayers as they mourn the passing of Lois Hasty of Austell, GA.