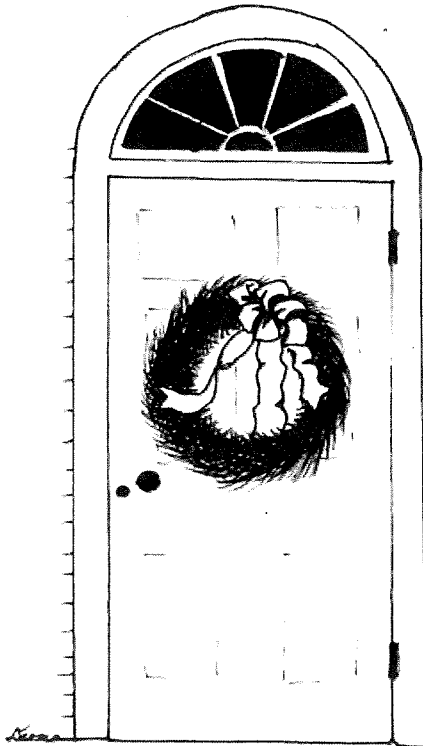


# The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island

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

January 6, 2019

*Epiphany of the Lord*

Liturgical Color: White

*Ten O'Clock*

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

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

## 9:55 am PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

**VOLUNTARY**

*O Rest in the Lord  
He Shall Feed His Flock*

Mendelssohn  
Handel

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Isaiah 60:1-3)

*Leader: Arise, shine; for your light has come.*

**People: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

*Leader: Come, worship the Lord of glory.*

**People: Proclaim God's praise among the nations.**

**\*HYMN #63**

*As with Gladness Men of Old*

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**WORDS OF WELCOME & HOSPITALITY**

Jim Murray

**CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFT OF CHILDREN**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you have given light to the world in Jesus Christ, but we have preferred to live in darkness. Your justice protects the weak and the distressed, yet we seek the shelter of privilege and power. Your righteousness redeems the poor and the needy, yet we seek the status of wealth and possessions. Your peace upholds the oppressed and the defenseless, yet we seek the security of weapons and retribution. Forgive us our sins, and lead us to true repentance, that we may trust you in all things; through Jesus Christ we pray.

(Silent Confession)

CONGREGATIONAL      *O Little Town of Bethlehem*      St. Louis  
RESPONSE #44      (stanza 4)

*O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel!*

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is the good news: Christ is the light of the world, who grants forgiveness and heals our sins. Thanks be to God!

\*HYMN #23 REFRAIN      *Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

\*HYMN #66      *We Three Kings*      Three Kings  
   *of Orient Are*      of Orient

#### HEARING GOD'S WORD

##### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Old Testament: Isaiah 60:1-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON      *How Did They Know?*      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.**

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

**OFFERTORY**                      *The Christmas Rose*                      Gilbert Martin, arr.

**\*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**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

See insert

*Today Communion will be served by Intinction.*

*Elders will stand in two stations at the front of the Sanctuary. Ushers  
will then invite you to come forward to receive the elements. Tear off a  
piece of bread and dip it into the juice and by this way receive the com-  
munion of our Lord Christ. Elders will also carry the elements to the  
balcony and serve as you remain seated.*

**\*HYMN #68**      *What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright*      Puer Nobis  
Nascitur

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL  
RESPONSE**                      *The First Nowell*  
Refrain Only

***Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel***

**VOLUNTARY**                      *Sing We Now of Christmas*                      Gordon Young

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

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

## Holy Communion

### *Invitation to the Table*

### *Great Prayer of Thanksgiving*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right and our joy, Creator God, to give you thanks and praise. For in the beginning you created the heavens and the earth. Out of darkness and chaos, you brought light and order. You have given life to every living thing and made us in your image, male and female. Even when we turned away from you, loving darkness rather than light, you did not turn away from us. You sent prophets to show us the way and bring us back home.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the angels and with the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

In the fullness of time, you sent your Son to be Immanuel, God with us. At his birth, the night sky lit up with heavenly host and a guiding star. Shepherds and magi found their way to you. Women and children, tax collectors and lepers continued to find their way to you. The darkness of Gethsemane, the cross, and the grave could not overcome you; for you are the light of the world, shining still.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and cup, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. In this feast, make us one with you and with each other. Enflame us with your Spirit, that we may be united in ministry in every place. Send us, in your marvelous light, into the world, ready to serve others and work for peace.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer, Hymnal page 16*

**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.**

*The Words of Institution*

*Sharing of Communion by Intinction*

*The Closing 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 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 Ann and Eddie Robinson.

**Welcome back Guest Organist Susanne Jeter!**

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** is open to all who have been baptized, remembering that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. In the cups, wine is red and grape juice is white. Elders serving communion today are Betty Bryan, Perrin Kreidler, John McAlhany, Sam Plexico, Ashley Sanders, and Dottie Thomas.

**Hearing Aids and Hearing Devices** - The church has Hearing Devices available for use during services. These assist hearing by using our sound system. Please ask an usher if you would like to use one. Also remember to turn off any hearing aids while using them as your personal device will create feedback for the sound system.

**The Endowment Committee** will meet today in the Fellowship Hall immediately after worship.

**The Presbyterian Women** will meet Monday, January 7th, at 10AM at Libba Johnson's house. All women are invited.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** The Stitch Sisters will meet this Tuesday, January 8, at 10AM in the home of Betty Bryan.

**Session** will meet Tuesday, January 8th, at 4PM.

**Choir** resumes Wednesday, January 9th, at 6PM.

**Pastor's Bible Study** will resume January 16th with our study of World Religions. Join us!

**Sunday School:** While Reconfiguration is underway, our two adult Sunday School classes (Covenant and Grapevine) have combined into one. We meet in the front part of the Fellowship Hall at 8:30 for coffee, a breakfast snack, and fellowship, and start our discussion at 9AM. We are studying a book entitled "The Books of the Bible", which is a summary view of all of the Holy Scriptures. The Children have class in the Preschool area and adults study near the back. All are welcome.

**The Mission Committee** will meet next Sunday immediately after worship.

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

**Remember in Prayer (Friends, Family, and Loved Ones of Church Members):** Shelly Myers (Sandra Collins), Sharon and Mike Eubanks, (Brenda Barnes), Sandra Leshner (Stan and Linda Manus), Luke Herndon (Okie Murray), Mac McCord, Katie Budds (Jim and Margaret McCord), Roane Auld (Libba Johnson), 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 (Bess Kellett), Leslie Pate (Glenda Pate), and Tye Armatage (Beth Vanhaastrecht), Peggy Babb (Marc and Karen Coker), Bill Cox, Sunny Johnson (Cathy Price), Maggie Moody (Mary Floyd), Martha Nan Meredith (Mary Jo Barreto), Ellie Wilson (Roy Smoak), Ben Johnson, Rob Jolin (Lois Anderson), Jeff Tindall (Jo Ringer), Mark Hamilton (Haley Stroman), Joe McLaughlin (Cheryl Harrison), Unity Presbyterian of Fort Mill (Lou Wylie), Charles Epps and Margaret Epps (Melanie Murray), and Deanne Yeomans (Charles and Laura Yeomans).

*Our deepest Christian sympathy to the Inabinet family for their recent loss. Please keep them in your prayers as they mourn the passing of Bonnie's mother-in-law, Minnie Inabinet, of Orangeburg, SC.*

*Our deepest Christian sympathy to the Sample family for their recent loss. Please keep them in your prayers as they mourn the passing of Leah's mother, Doris Baker, of Fort Mill, SC.*