

# The Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island

January 13, 2019

10:00 AM

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## *Baptism of the Lord* *Ordination and Installation of New Officers*

At the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus presents himself to John to be baptized in the Jordan. The heavens open, the Holy Spirit descends as a dove and we hear the voice of God: "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased" (see Psalm 2:7). At this festival of the Christian year, we not only remember Jesus' baptism, but we celebrate our own: the baptism we share with Christ.

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

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*Gott vater sei gepriesen*

Giamanco

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God;*

**People: The holy habitation of the Most High.**

*Leader: The Lord pours forth rivers from bare mountains, and fountains in valleys' depths.*

**People: God opens rocks, and water gushes out.**

*Leader: On dry thirsty land God springs forth streams in the desert.*

**People: We worship this God, the fount of every blessing.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE #356**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Nettleton

WORDS OF WELCOME & HOSPITALITY

Buddy Watson

CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFT OF CHILDREN

Chris Rogillio

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

*Even as we enter into the presence of God, we exclaim with Isaiah: "Woe is me, I am a person of unclean ways, dwelling among a tainted people." If we claim we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sin, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sin and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Trusting in the steadfast love of God in Christ Jesus the Lord, let us pray,  
Lord, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Sovereign God, in baptism you called us to turn from sin and to turn to Jesus Christ; but we stray from his ways and do not heed your call. (Silence)*

*Lord, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*In baptism you joined us to Christ in his death that we might be raised with Christ in new life; but we cherish old ways and fail to embrace the risen life of righteousness, justice, and love. (Silence)*

*Lord, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*In baptism you united us with all the baptized who confess your name; but we foster division in the church. We refuse to live as one people, and so fail to witness to your reconciling love before the world. (Silence)*

*Lord, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*In baptism you call us to ministry in all realms of life, but we refuse the struggle to know your will; we do not nurture the ways of peace; we allow enmity to grow among us, setting neighbor against neighbor*

*and nation against nation. We abuse the earth you entrust to our care, and live in discord with all you have made. (Silence)*

*Lord, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*In baptism you sent us to serve with compassion all for whom Christ died; but we ignore the suffering of the oppressed and the plight of the poor. We take bread from the hungry and stop our ears to the cries for justice. (Silence)*

*Lord, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*In baptism you gave us the Holy Spirit to teach and guide us, but we rely on ourselves and refuse to trust your direction. We spurn your eternal wisdom, preferring instead, the luring ways of the world.*

*(Silence)*

*Lord, have mercy.*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*Remembering your promises you made to us in baptism,*

**Forgive our sinful ways and heal our brokenness. Set us free from all that enslaves us, and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ, that we may be your faithful servants, showing forth your healing love to the world, to the glory of your holy name.**

~ KYRIE ~

**Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Hear the good news: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ lives in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is of the New Creation. The old life is finished, gone. Behold, new life has begun.*

*Brothers and sisters, believe in the good news:*

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

#### \*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.**

#### HEARING GOD'S WORD

##### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Isaiah 43:1-7

**NEW TESTAMENT:** Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

##### SERMON

*Remember Your Baptism*

Rev. Sanders

#### OUR RESPONSE

##### RENEWAL OF BAPTISM

*The Lord be with you,*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Lord and life-giving Spirit, who charged the water with life when first the world began:*

**Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.**

*Saving Lord, who sheltered us with Noah in the ark upon the flood:*

**Drown our sin and raise us to new life.**

*Giver of freedom, who led your people out of slavery through the waters that did not overwhelm:*

**Drown our sin and raise us to new life.**

*O God, our provider, who gives thirsty people water from a rock:*

**Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.**

*Holy Lord, who gives water to purify what is unclean:*

**Drown our sin and raise us to new life.**

*Brooding Spirit, who anointed Jesus with your power of life no death could conquer:*

**Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.**

*Risen Lord Jesus Christ, who poured yourself out as a drink offering on our behalf, filling us with your Spirit:*

**Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.**

*Spirit of the Living God, who charges the waters of baptism with resurrection power so we might live as part of God's New Creation:*

**Drown our sin and raise us to new life.**

*Drench us once more in your life-giving Spirit, Almighty God, that we might be cleansed, sustained, and anointed with your power as we proclaim with boldness and live with the joy of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to whom be all honor and dominion and glory now and forever more.*

**Amen.**

*Through our baptism into Christ, we were redeemed from our slavery to the powers of sin and made citizens of God's commonwealth. Let us remember what God has done and is doing by renewing our baptismal vows, renouncing sin and professing faith in Jesus Christ.*

Please stand.

*Do you renounce the ways of sin that separate you from the love of God?*

**Accepting the Father's love, I renounce all that makes me less than a child of God.**

*Do you renounce all powers in the world that defy God's Way of Life for all?*

**In the name of Christ Jesus, I renounce them.**

*Will you resist the forces of sin that hold the world in captivity?*

**With the power of the Holy Spirit, I will resist them.**

*Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from evil to seek good?*

**By the grace of God, I do.**

*Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of the world?*

**I believe Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.**

*Will you follow the Spirit of the living Lord and live in accord with God's Way?*

**By God's grace, I will walk in the Spirit Way.**

*Let us pray: Spirit of the Living God, hover once more over us as you did at creation, energizing us with your life, that as we remember our baptism in Christ, we may be an open conduit of your Holy Spirit flooding all of creation with blessings of your abundant, redeemed life. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Living Water.*

**Amen.**

\*HYMN #492

*Baptized in Water*

Bunessan

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

OFFERTORY

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Hopson

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

### PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Representing the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island, I present **Brian Evans** as a Candidate for Ordination and Installation and **Sam Plexico and Allen Woods** as Candidates for Installation. Would the Candidates please come forward?

*Leader: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.*

**People: There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling.**

*Leader: In baptism, Brian, Sam, and Allen were clothed with Christ, and are now called by God through the voice of the church to enter into ministries of service and governance, announcing in word and deed the good news of Jesus Christ.*

**People: We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ, and we celebrate God's particular call to our brothers and sisters.**

### STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

#### CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

#### CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Do we, the members of the Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island accept Brian, Sam, and Allen as Ruling Elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

**We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

**We do.**

#### PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

#### DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

#### \*CLOSING HYMN

*Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed*

O Waly Waly

**Wonder of wonders, here revealed;  
God's covenant with us is sealed.  
And long before we know or pray,  
God's love enfolds us every day.**

**Here in this sacrament we see  
God's grace unbound for all, for me!  
May we respond with joyful praise  
In loving service all our days.**

**Now we our vow of faith renew,  
Stretch wide our sights to global view,  
And claim with Christians far and near  
A larger fam-ily held dear.**

Jane Parker Huber, 1980  
Presbyterian Hymnal, Hymn 499

#### \*BENEDICTION

*Go forth into the world to live as those baptized into Christ's mission. And may the eternal light of God keep you solidly immersed in the river of life, in the peace and power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever more.*

**Amen.**

#### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Danish Amen*

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*Nun danket alle Gott*

Barr

**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 Betty Bryan and Bess Kellett.

**The Flowers** in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God in honor of Dottie Thomas by Rick and Irene Ackerman.

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

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** The Stitch Sisters will meet this Tuesday, January 13, at 10AM in the home of Lois Anderson.

**Join your presbytery staff** this Tuesday, January 15th, from 11:30AM - 1PM for a Charleston Atlantic Presbytery Drop-In Lunch at the Presbytery Office, 2421 Ashley River Road, Charleston.

**Pastor's Bible Study** resumes this Wednesday at 10AM with our study of World Religions. Join us!

**Choir** will meet this Wednesday at 6PM in the sanctuary.

**Fresh Express** returns to our parking lot this Thursday, January 17th, from 1-5PM. Bring a reusable bag and get some free produce! If you'd like to help with the distribution, please contact Perrin Kreidler.

**Welcome Workshop:** If you want to become a member or affiliate here at PCEI or just want to learn more about our ministries and polity, please come to the Welcome Workshop next Sunday, January 20th, immediately after worship. A light lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Pastor Ashley or to Jo Ringer at edistojo@gmail.com.

**There will be a Congregation Meeting** next Sunday, January 20th.

**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.

**Suggested readings for the adult class for January 20th:** I Kings 2:1-12, I Kings 10:23-11:18, 1 Kings 19:1-18, 2 Kings 5:1-14, 2 Kings 17:1-18, 2 Kings 22:1-13, and 2 Kings 25:1-12.

**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).