The Episcopal Church on Edisto
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Lay Intercessor: Ginny King
Epistler: Nona Rowcliffe
Ushers: Brooks and Laura Goldsmith
Prayer Partner: Nancy Skardon

June 17, 2018

The Episcopal Church on Edisto is a vibrant Christian community that honors our Episcopal heritage by welcoming all people. Together we exist to love and serve both God and our neighbor, inviting all to share in the joy of God’s unconditional love.

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Altar Flowers

June 17 flowers are given by Bob King
in memory of Ann Luckey King on her birthday.

To sponsor flowers for the altar, please contact Ginny King
or sign up on the calendar by the doors.

Gluten Free wafers are available upon request. Please speak to an usher.

Restrooms are located next door through the front door of the church.

Birthdays
Hal Looney, June 20
Angela Smith, June 24
Harriet Gettys, June 26
David Danforth, June 30

Continuing Prayer List as of 6-12-18
Robert R Bruner IV
Patti Cooper
Zillah Cribb
Brauer Dowd
Mary Ann Foy
Jennifer Francois
Wallie Hiers
Ken Korpanty
Marsha Korpanty
Betty Mock
Brenda Nickerson
Cotton Richardson
Nancy Skardon
Sarah Sturm
Allston Swartz
Nico Tanner
Bubba Unger
Mickey Van Metre
Gordon Watson
Elizabeth Webb

To request prayer for yourself or someone in need please contact a member of our Prayer Circle. Clergy would like to know if you have an impending hospitalization or need.

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Prelude: *Here for You* – Wanstall, Redman, Maher, Reeves

Processional hymn: *All things bright and beautiful*

The Word of God

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.
The Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord
looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Response: Psalm 20 Exaudiat te Dominus

1 May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble, *
   the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

2 Send you help from his holy place *
   and strengthen you out of Zion;

3 Remember all your offerings *
   and accept your burnt sacrifice;

4 Grant you your heart's desire *
   and prosper all your plans.

5 We will shout for joy at your victory
   and triumph in the Name of our God; *
   may the Lord grant all your requests.

6 Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed; *
   he will answer him out of his holy heaven,
   with the victorious strength of his right hand.

7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, *
   but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.
8 They collapse and fall down, *
   but we will arise and stand upright.
9 O Lord, give victory to the king *
   and answer us when we call.

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17
We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Gospel Procession: Hymn of Promise
Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

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The Gospel Lesson: Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.


People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Fred Thompson

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People, Form VI

BCP 392

A Prayer for the Episcopal Church on Edisto

Gracious Lord Christ, whom to love is to serve, you sent your disciples into every place where you would come; pour out your Holy Spirit on those who serve our mission church in your name. Give us grateful hearts to guide us in the mission of serving you and our neighbors. As we seek to grow in proclaiming the good news of your love to all people, give us wisdom never to lose sight of your Word, strength of purpose to meet the challenges before us, and grateful dedication to the work that we share. All this we ask for the praise of your holy name. Amen.
Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements and Birthdays

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: *There Is a Cloud* - Furtick, Brown, Brock

Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

Here a proper preface is said.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim 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.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

We remember his death
We proclaim his resurrection
We await his coming in glory

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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 trespasses,
    as we forgive those
    who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Note: *Our prayer partner waits in the back of the church to pray with you if you wish to pray for special intentions or concerns, before returning to your pew.*

Communion Hymns

325, 335

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 
You have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, 
and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. 
Send us now into the world in peace, 
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you 
with gladness and singleness of heart; 
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest’s Blessing

Procession into the World: *Lord dismiss us*  
Hymnal 344

Dismissal Hymn: *Day by Day*  
Hymnal 654

Postlude: *The Lord bless you and keep you* – Haywood  
E. Galaid
**Commissioning of the Eucharistic Visitor**

_Celebrant:_ In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that [N.] to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. 

_People:_ We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

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**Announcements**

To subscribe to our newsletter, go to our web site: [www.episcopalchurchonedisto.org](http://www.episcopalchurchonedisto.org).

_The Hearts and Hands Committee_ is available to help you or anyone you know who is in need and could use some help with meals. For more information, contact Bert Looney at 828-506-6926 or rlooney473@gmail.com.

**Fifth Sunday Offerings for 2018:** ERD (July 29) for victims of the Hawaiian volcano disaster, Jane Edwards DC Trip (Sept. 30), To be determined (Dec. 30)

_The Caregiver Group_ meets Thursdays at 10:30 in the Bay Creek Room.

**Dancing for Joy:** a free dance exercise class, all levels welcome. Mondays 6 PM, Thursdays 8:30 AM, Saturday 8:30 AM. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Lowcountry Food Bank. We have collected over 300 pounds of food in 2018!

**Weekly Bible Study**

If you have a yen for mystery and surprise, Bible study is for you. If you’re interested in enlarging your Biblical knowledge, Bible study is for you. If you’re a searcher, wanting to deepen your faith and trust in a loving God, Bible study is most certainly for you! It is certainly always interesting. Wednesdays 11 AM, Bay Creek Room.

**Need a LIFT?** Free local transportation to important services. Call 843-631-5111 by 6 PM at least one day before. LIFT is looking for volunteer drivers to commit one day per month. Training is provided. To volunteer, contact Nona at nerowcliffe@comcast.net
Hymn of Promise, from My Heart Sings Out - #86 In the bulb there is a flower

1 In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple
tree; in cocoons, a hidden promise: butter-
flies will soon be free!

2 There's a song in ev'ry silence, seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in ev'ry darkness, bringing hope to you and me.

3 In our end is our beginning; in our time, in-fi-ni-
ty; in our doubt there is believing; in our life, e-ter-
ity; in our death, a resur-

winter there's a spring that waits to be, future, what it holds, a mystery, un-re-

re-creation; at the last, a victory,

revealed until its season, something God alone can see.