



JAMES ISLAND
Presbyterian Church



2ND SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 1, 2026

WELCOME TO JAMES ISLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SHARING THE LOVE OF GOD, THROUGH THE CONNECTIONS,
MEANING AND HOPE OF JESUS.

PRESERVICE

Georgia Arends

WELCOME

JAMES ISLAND PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION UPDATE

Louise Conway

PRELUDE

WONDEROUS LOVE

Robert Lau

† CALL TO WORSHIP

This place for us is Holy Ground:

The place where we sing songs of praise to the Lord,

And repeat the stories of faith that inspire us to respond to Christ's love.

God called us here,

and with his presence dismantles the barriers we have placed around us.

God meets us here in our vulnerability, our humanity, our hunger and our thirst.

Let us worship the Lord.

† HYMN #401

HERE IN THIS PLACE
(VS. 1&3)

GATHER US IN

† CALL TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(adapted from Ministry Matters)

(silent prayer)

Lord, we want the easy way out. When things go wrong, when we don't get what we want, we choose to punish whoever stands in the way. We refuse to look at the ways we have perverted your love for us. We treat you as though you are a puppet who will dance to our demands. We become sullen and spiteful if we don't get what we ask for.

We have stopped listening for you. Systems of greed and self-importance have replaced your command to "love one another". While Jesus offered spiritual bread, we offer money and quick solutions without connecting to people. While Jesus offers himself, we try to go it alone. Today, we come to you, asking for forgiveness and healing. Our hearts and lives are empty without your love. Our spirits wither and die in this greedy wasteland.

Give to us your life-sustaining bread. Heal our souls. Help us to truly worship you and to willingly work for healing and hope in this world. We ask these things in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God has heard your cries and knows your anguish. In Jesus Christ, you are loved, cleansed, and forgiven.

Praise be to God who forgives us all in the name of God's beloved Son! AMEN.

† RESPONSE OF PRAISE #837

WHAT A FELLOWSHIP, WHAT A JOY DIVINE

SHOWALTER

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms, leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Sara Grace Stanley

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Deborah & Doug McPherson

OLD TESTAMENT READING

EXODUS 3:11-17

PG. 50 OT

ANTHEM

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

arr. R. Proulx

GOSPEL LESSON

JOHN 6:27-40

PG. 98 NT

SERMON

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

Rev. Terri Wetherell

SILENT REFLECTION

† HYMN #525

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

LET US BREAK BREAD

BAPTISM

(Please sign the baptism card in the friendship register and pass it to your neighbor to sign.)



Sofia Stone

&



Chelsea Stone

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Chelsea Stone

Trey Stone

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

With the whole church

We affirm that we are made in God's image

Befriended by Christ,

Empowered by the Spirit;

With people everywhere

We affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity,

Planted more deeply than all that is wrong;

With all creation

We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life,

The unfolding purposes of God,

Forever at work in ourselves and in the world. Amen.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

INVITATION TO OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

O LOVE THAT WILT NOT LET ME GO

Albert Peace
arr. Hugh Knight

† DOXOLOGY #606

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

OLD HUNDREDTH

***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.***

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

(All the bread is gluten free. Please signal an usher if you'd like to be served in your seat)

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***...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.***

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

† HYMN #526

LET US TALENTS AND TONGUES EMPLOY

LINSTEAD

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† CHORAL RESPONSE

† PASSING THE PEACE

† POSTLUDE

NICAEA

Ivan Furlanis

GATHER WITH LOVE

WELCOME TO JIPC! We're so glad you've joined us for worship today. Whether you're a first-time visitor or a longtime member, we welcome you with open hearts. James Island Presbyterian Church (JIPC) strives to share the love of God through the connection, meaning, and hope of Jesus. If you have any questions about our church, worship, ministries, or how to get connected, please do not hesitate to ask a greeter, usher, or staff member — Welcome!

JOIN US NEXT WEEK FOR WORSHIP! We invite you to gather with us next Sunday for worship as we explore **John 10:1-10**. Come be encouraged by the Word and the fellowship of believers as we grow together in faith.

THE FLOWER CALENDAR IS OPEN: You can commission flowers in honor or memory of loved ones, and the Flower Guild will put together a beautiful arrangement. The requested donation is \$75. To sign up to give flowers, please scan the QR code or call the church office (843)795-3111.



NURSERY: The Nursery is available for children 3 & under and is in the gym building. Care is available for children, 1st Grade and below, after Children's Time. Children will be escorted from worship for supervised care for the remainder of worship. If you are an adult & high school youth who feels called to help in the nursery, please, contact Sarah Grace.

FELLOWSHIP LENTEN TABLE: Each Wednesday night during Lent, all are invited to join us for a meal, fellowship, and study. The meal will be from 5:30-6:30 pm. \$10 per person and \$30 max per family. Fellowship Lenten Table **will end on April 2** which is Maundy Thursday. During Holy week we will meet Thursday and not Wednesday. Maundy Thursday will have worship instead of classes. The next five weeks will have the schedule of a meal followed by classes.

YOUTH SUNDAY! On March 22, all worship liturgy, music and leadership will be written and led by JIPC youth. We would LOVE for all youth to help. Your presence is important! To help with the liturgy and the service, please join us in Sunday School on March 8, 15, and 22. During this time, we will prepare for the worship service. Please see Sarah Grace to learn more.

EASTER EGG HUNT & DONATIONS: The JIPC Easter Egg Hunt will be held on March 22. We invite everyone to help by donating plastic Easter eggs filled with surprises. If you choose to include candy, please be sure it is individually wrapped and allergy-friendly. Small toys or stickers are also great options!

GROW WITH DEPTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE STUDIES: Looking to dive deeper into Scripture? Join one of our Cohorts, weekly Bible Studies, or Sunday School classes at 9:00am. See Barrett, Terri, or Sarah Grace for details or scan the QR code for more information.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMMING:

- Sunday School for all children ages 3-12th grade
- March 1 – Middle School Youth Group
- March 8 – High School Youth Group
- March 14 – Middle School Lock Out
- March 19 – Backpack Buddies
- March 21 – Walk for Water
- March 22 – Youth Sunday & EASTER EGG HUNT
- March 27 – Kids Kirk
- March 28 – RMHC – High School Youth

Questions? Contact Sarah Grace, sarahgrace@jamesislandpc.org

FELLOWSHIP LENTEN TABLE STUDIES: After the Wednesday night meals during Lent, we are offering three opportunities to dive deeper into our faith.

- **“Who Do You Say I Am?”** This is the question that Jesus proposes to his disciples. In this class we will explore the I am statements of Jesus in the Gospel of John. This class will utilize the teachings of the sermon given the prior week. Therefore, if you ever left on Sunday and had follow up questions, here is your chance to not only ask away but dive deeper into “I Am.”
- **I Am a Child of God:** Join us each week during Lent as we utilize the ancient Enneagram tool that goes beyond a personality test and asks us to reflect on why we do what we do. In doing so, we will begin taking steps into trusting God’s grace for us and learning how to have grace with ourselves. We pray that this class helps us discover who we are in God’s image. The “Who Am I” class will use ***The Road Back to You*** by Ian Cron and Suzanne Stabile as a study guide.
- **I Am a Disciple:** As Christians we are called to be disciples of Jesus. But what does it mean to say, “I am a disciple.” Please join us as we explore this question and dive deeper into the privileges and responsibilities of calling ourselves disciples. This class will use Rowan Williams’ ***Being A Disciple*** to help guide us through Lent.

The studies will begin on Wednesday, February 25, and end on March 25, 2026. The above books are available online or email office@jamesislandpc.org by February 18. Childcare will be provided for those who sign up for childcare in advance, so parents can participate with peace of mind. Scan the QR code for childcare services for this event.



GO WITH GRACE

WALK FOR WATER: is on March 21st at 9 AM at Riverfront Park in North Charleston! During the Walk for Water, participants walk approximately 1 mile to a midway point with an empty bucket. There, they will fill their bucket with dirty water and carry it another 1 mile to the end of the Walk. When you walk, you raise funds and awareness to change the daily reality of women and children who lack access to safe water. Join us in this wonderful opportunity to walk together and support access to safe, clean water for more than 14,000 people around the world! Scan the QR code to sign up!



JIPC FOUNDATION SUMMER DAY CAMP PROGRAMS 2026. Open enrollment starts March 2. Camp starts June 1 and ends August 7. There is a church member Discount. Scan the QR code for more details on Youth Adventure Camp (rising grade 4-6) and Summer Day Camp (riding K5-3)



FEEDING OUR NEIGHBORS: We’re the “Canned Pasta Church” for James Island Outreach! Drop donations in the baskets in the Narthex or by the Church Office. You can also donate non-perishable food to our Blessing Box in the west parking lot. Learn more here: chsblessingbox.wixsite.com.

THANK YOU: for your tithes, offerings, and pledges! If you like what you see and believe in what God is doing at JIPC, please consider supporting the ministries and mission of our church. You are able to give financially in the following ways: offering plate during offering, mail a check to JIPC, online by going to www.jamesislandpc.org/make-a-donation/, or Venmo (JIPC1). Please consider adding 2% to your online gifts to help cover fees that JIPC is charged.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please offer prayers for the following: Hughes Family friends Jennie and Brian Cannon; RoxAnn & Miles Stavley & Family; Family of Baynard Godbold, Beth Parler, Yvette Cooper, Marion Klinger; Lousie Bavier; Susan Norris; Ricard Bordas; Cannon Smoak; Pastor Saul & Nicole Moo (Merida, MX); Barb Hornig's stepfather, Howard Hesjedal; Gresh Meggett & family; Sherry Mahoney; the extended Crosby & Howard families; Ellen Feltz; Sandy Scruggs; Bonnie Thompson's father, Randy Cochran; John Pritchett's father, Travis; Anne Christy; Dottie Coleman; Andrea Quinn's parents, Rocio & Terry Kemper; Laquetta "Quetta" Fludd; Peggy Hill; Ann & Rah Rah Smith; Milo Fuller; Al Oswald; Suzie Steed's mother; and Mary Beth Meggett's cousin, Matt Garcia.

WE OFFER SPECIAL THANKS FOR THOSE HELPING TO LEAD WORSHIP TODAY:

Preservice: Georgia Arends

Children's Time: Sarah Grace Stanley

Lay Readers: Deborah & Doug McPherson

Deacon of the Week: Jennie Ridgeway

Anthem Soloists: Cheri McElwee & John Quinn

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CALENDAR

Sun, Mar 1 9:00am Sunday School
 Worship Together Class
 9:45am Coffee Fellowship
 9:50am Cherub Choir
 10:15am Worship
 11:15am Committee Meetings
 6:00pm MS Youth Group

Mon, Mar 2 10:30am Women's Bible Study
 3:00pm Studio Music Lessons
 6:30pm Rev Fit

Tues, Mar 3 10:00am Congregational Care
 Committee
 5:30pm Night Committee Meetings
 8:00pm Seabreeze AA

Wed, Mar 4 12:00pm JIPC Noon Lenten Service
 3:00pm Music Lessons
 5:00pm Children & Youth Choir
 5:30pm Fellowship Lenten Table Dinner
 6:30pm Fellowship Lenten Studies
 7:30pm Chancel Choir

Thur, Mar 5 6:00pm Young Mom's Outreach Dinner
 6:30pm Young Adult Cohort
 8:00pm Sober Thursday AA

Fri, Mar 6 8:00pm Seabreeze AA

Sat, Mar 7 8:00am Men's Bible Study
 9:00am JIO Day

Sun, Mar 8 9:00am Sunday School
 Worship Together Class
 9:45am Coffee Fellowship
 9:50am Cherub Choir
 10:15am Worship
 11:15am Committee Meetings
 6:00pm HS Youth Group

NOON LENTEN SERVICES

Lenten Noon Services will be held in partnership with our sister churches. Each week's noon service will take place at a different church location.

2/25 - HARBORVIEW PC
 3/4 - JIPC
 3/11 - ST. JAMES PC
 3/18 - HARBORVIEW PC
 3/25 - JIPC
 4/1 - ST. JAMES PC