



8 January 2021

Dear Church family and friends,

I'd like to share some updates about the days and weeks ahead concerning our community of faith.

Our Worship and Music Committee recommended to Session to move to one eleven O'clock service for the remaining Sunday's of January. A combination of rising COVID cases and relatively small in-person attendance were key factors in this decision.

On Sunday, January 17, 2021, we will share a service of ordination and installation of our new officers. We are excited to install these officers as we move forward in our pursuit of mission and ministry at James Island Presbyterian Church. Please make plans to join us in person or online for this most important time in the life of our community of faith.

Lastly, an update on our stewardship focus including our Consecration Sunday totals. We have received 177 pledge cards totaling \$722,704. Although our responses have been generous and deeply appreciated, we remain well behind where we need to be. If, as of yet, you have not submitted a pledge card, please consider doing so as soon as possible. We need an accurate accounting of monies moving forward to guide us in planning and execution. This year will require each person's Time, Talent and Treasures moving forward.

This has been a difficult year riddled with many blessings. I believe we can all be encouraged as we move forward remembering the best is yet to come. From the ashes, rises the phoenix. After every Good Friday comes an Easter Sunday.

As we put our best foot and efforts forward, we will continue to recognize Emmanuel—God with us. The journey requires each of participating. I look forward to serving with you.

Prayerfully, I remain,

Pastor Sam