



How to Protect You & Your Families

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

June 1st was the beginning of Hurricane Season. We want you to be prepared with all the contact information and knowledge needed to access the resources necessary to keep you and your families safe. Disasters strike without warning and being prepared at home will help to ensure that you and your family can make the best of a bad situation. Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but in many cases, they will not be able to reach everyone right away. You need to be ready to take care of yourself and your family for up to three days.

Some emergencies can force you to evacuate from your neighborhood or confine you to your home. It is important that you know what to do if basic services--water, gas, electricity or telephones--were cut off by utility company. Preparing in advance and working together as a team make it much easier to cope with an emergency situation.

The SC Emergency Management Department (SCEMD) has a 2020 Hurricane Guide to help you and your family to plan. Check out their website to find info on the items listed below:

<https://www.scmd.org/stay-informed/publications/hurricane-guide/>

- Zone Finder
- Make a Plan
- Report Power Outages
- Road Conditions
- Insurance Information
- Emergency Shelters
- DHEC Information
- Quick Links to Resources
- School & Business Closings & Delays
- GIS



Check out the Disaster Preparation, Mitigation, and Response Manual: A Resource Manual for Congregations and Mid-Councils. (This manual was created by Ken McKenzie, Disaster Response Coordinator, Synod of South Atlantic Presbyterian Church (USA))

<https://pda.pcusa.org/page/midcouncil-epda/#prep>

Worship Resources

[NRT Guide for Prayer](#)

[God with Us- Worship & CE after Disaster](#)

[A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance](#)

[Hymns for Use in Times of Disaster](#)

[Litany from Psalm 28](#)

[Mighty Wind and Fire hymn](#)

[Prayer after a Storm](#)

[Sample Post-Disaster Worship Service](#)

[Worship References and Hymns](#)



Be Proactive – stay safe!

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