

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 4, 2022 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PRELUDE

Christmas Medley (First (Scots) Festival Strings)

(May the beginning of the prelude serve as a call to silent meditation and prayer.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel

MINUTE FOR MISSION

God's Gift Shop

David Ward

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

“Comfort, Comfort You My People”

Genevan Psalter

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel

One: Prophets have announced it as a distant drumroll or peal of thunder.

All: **Angels have whispered it in dreams.**

One: But what was long kept secret is now disclosed. Jesus said, “What I tell you in the dark, utter in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim upon the rooftops.”

All: **So we proclaim, surely he comes soon! Let us worship God!**

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“People, Look East”

Hymn No. 12

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

CALL TO CONFESSION (A pause for silent confession follows.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, Light of the World, you cause light to shine out of darkness in the Advent of Jesus Christ; you open to us the ways we are to prepare. We confess our unwillingness to behold the light and walk in your ways. We have not always opened our eyes to the needs of others and our feet have wandered from the paths of joy and peace. We ask that the Spirit of Christ be born anew within us, that our hearts may be stirred to glorify his coming with acts of compassion and service. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†GLORIA PATRI

“Glory be to the Father”

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.

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE AND ADVENT WREATH

Chett & Anna McCubrey and family (8:45)

Todd & Jessica Garrett and family (11:15)

CHILDRENS HYMN

“O Little Town of Bethlehem” (verse 4)

Hymn No. 44

O holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray;

Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today.

We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell;

O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel.

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

(For Children's Church children through 5yrs old are dismissed to the Massie Building.)
(Older children may return to their pew.)

TIME FOR TEENS

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

John Metcalf (8:45)
Tap Gresham (11:15)

MORNING LESSON

Luke 2:1-20

(pew Bible, page 832)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A SERMON IN SONG

"GLORIA"

Antonio Vivaldi

(Please see the special insert provided in today's bulletin)

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

†THE APOSTLES' CREED (unison)

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"

Hymn No. 16

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: Hear us, O God;

All: your mercy is great.

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

arr. Dan Forrest

†DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn No. 592

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Hymn No. 23

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen" from *Messiah*

George Fredric Handel

†POSTLUDE

"Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her"

Johann Pachelbel (1635-1706)

Luke 2:1-20

2 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no place in the guest room.

⁸Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them, ¹⁹and Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told them.

OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP EXTENDS BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE SANCTUARY
in the form of video recording and livestreaming. Your presence with us today signifies consent
to the possibility that your image may be included as part of our media broadcast.

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CHRISTIAN LOVE & SYMPATHY are extended the family and friends of Margo Gray,
who passed away on Tuesday, November 22nd.

A service was held at First (Scots) on Tuesday, November 29th at 3:00 p.m.

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FIRST (SCOTS) HISTORY TOURS

Please join us for a guided tour and brief history of First (Scots) following the conclusion of worship.
Please come up and meet your Docent directly in front of the pulpit following the service.

The tour will last approximately 10-15 minutes.

Today's Docents are John Robinson (8:45 AM) and Carol Rees (11:15 AM).

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ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETERS (8:45 A.M.): Steve Harth

GREETERS (11:15 A.M.): Bob Dawson, Chris Bucknam

COFFEE GREETER: Anne LeClercq

PASTOR SERVING AS COFFEE GREETER: The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

USHERS (8:45 A.M.): David Hay (Captain), Henry Hay III, Mayrelle Semken

USHERS (11:15 A.M.): Todd Plaxco (Captain), Barb Plaxco, Matt Thomas,
Michael Bryan, Elizabeth Riddle

DEACONS (8:45 A.M.): Karen Danielowski (Lead Deacon), Debbie Rice-Marko (Assist. Deacon)

DEACONS (11:15 A.M.): Ann Anderson (Lead Deacon), Chantal Byrne (Assist. Deacon)

BEADLE (8:45 A.M.): Bill Prewitt **BEADLE (11:15 A.M.):** John Marko, Jr.

LAY READER (8:45 A.M.): John Metcalf **LAY READER (11:15 A.M.):** Tap Gresham

BELL RINGER: Daniel Sansone

PASTOR ON CALL (December 5 - December 11) The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel (843-640-5850)

ELDER ON CALL (December 5 - December 11) – Karen Prewitt (843-607-7772)

DEACON ON CALL (December 5 - December 11) – Emmie Dawson (704-618-2773)

Deanna Barteet, Church Administrator
Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Susan Cocallas, Administrative Assistant
Rebecca McNeill, Communications and Volunteer Coordinator
Janette Allen, Administrative Assistant to the Pastors
Alex Birrueta, Sexton

Daniel Sansone, Director of Music & Organist
Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music
Martha Harken, Interim Kindergarten Director
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir
Ian Giancursio, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Nancy Hunsicker, Food Services Director
Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant

Hymn #12: "People Look East"

1 People, look east. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People look east and sing today:
Love the guest is on the way.

2 Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
That in course the flower may flourish
People look east and sing today:
Love the rose is on the way.

3 Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
Guard the nest that must be filled,
Even the hour when wings are frozen
God for fledging time has chosen.
People look east and sing today:
Love the bird is on the way.

4 Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People look east and sing today:
Love the star is on the way.

4 Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
Christ who brings new life to earth.
Set every peak and valley humming
With the word, the Lord is coming.
People look east and sing today:
Love the Lord is on the way.

Hymn #16: "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"

1 The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
"All hail," said he, "O lowly maiden Mary."
Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

2 "For know a blessed mother you shall be,
All generations praise continually,
Your Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold."
Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

3 Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
"To me be as it pleases God," she said,
"My soul shall laud and magnify God's holy name."
Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

4 Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say:
Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

Hymn #23: “Angels We Have Heard on High”

1 Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo;
Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

3 Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee.
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.



God's Gift Shop 2022

Come and see the decorations in Molly Wier Hall! Learn about our fourteen local and international missions and how to set up electronic payment with the church for purchasing gifts with your credit card if you forgot your check book. As usual, the 2022 GGS online catalog and order form can be found on the homepage of the church website at www.first-scots.org.

Help spread God's love at this week's Wednesday Night Supper featuring God's Gift Shop trivia! First place wins a goat! Make reservations by noon on Monday, December 5th with the church office to attend.

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My Sister's House Gift Card Donations

As we wind up the HALOS Angel Tree gift drive, please consider donating gift cards to the residents of My Sister's House. My Sister's House is a local non-profit organization which provides shelter to victims of domestic violence and their families. Requested gift cards include Walmart, Target, Publix, T.J. Maxx, Kohl's, and gas cards. They can be deposited in the marked box by the Christmas tree in Molly Wier Hall.

Cards are needed by Monday, December 12th.

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Presbyterian Women December Circle Meetings

The **Betty Noble Circle** will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 13th at the home of Margaret McCormack. Dr. Siegling will be speaking.

For more information, please contact Teresa Tarrant, teresatarrant@aol.com, Circle Leader.

The **Seekers Circle** will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 14th at the home of Marilyn Johnson for a holiday gathering.

For more information, please contact Anne Dukes, dukesanne62@gmail.com or 843-577-0479, Circle Leader.

The **Unbroken Circle** will meet at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 13th at the home of Jane Davis for a Christmas luncheon.

For more information, please contact Julie Cannell, jmcannell@aol.com, Circle Leader.

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Reserve Sanctuary Flowers for 2023

We are taking reservations for Sunday sanctuary flower arrangements for 2023. This is a wonderful way to honor or remember loved ones, celebrate an anniversary or child's baptism, or even commemorate a special Sunday.

The cost to sponsor flowers is \$165. Don't miss this opportunity to recognize someone in your life!

Available dates:

January 8th & 29th

February 12th, 19th, & 26th

If interested, please contact Susan Cocallas, scocallas@first-scots.org, in the church office.

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Church Office Schedule Change

On Monday, December 5th the First (Scots) office staff will be leaving for staff retreat beginning at 12:00 p.m. While the full staff will not be present, the Massie Building will remain open for scheduled meetings and events.

# of decorations	x \$27.00 each =	Cash	Check #
10	\$270.00		
20	\$540.00		
30	\$810.00		
40	\$1,080.00		
50	\$1,350.00		
60	\$1,620.00		
70	\$1,890.00		
80	\$2,160.00		
90	\$2,430.00		
100	\$2,700.00		
110	\$2,970.00		
120	\$3,240.00		
130	\$3,510.00		
140	\$3,780.00		
150	\$4,050.00		
160	\$4,320.00		
170	\$4,590.00		
180	\$4,860.00		
190	\$5,130.00		
200	\$5,400.00		
210	\$5,670.00		
220	\$5,940.00		
230	\$6,210.00		
240	\$6,480.00		
250	\$6,750.00		
260	\$7,020.00		
270	\$7,290.00		
280	\$7,560.00		
290	\$7,830.00		
300	\$8,100.00		
310	\$8,370.00		
320	\$8,640.00		
330	\$8,910.00		
340	\$9,180.00		
350	\$9,450.00		
360	\$9,720.00		
370	\$9,990.00		
380	\$10,260.00		
390	\$10,530.00		
400	\$10,800.00		
410	\$11,070.00		
420	\$11,340.00		
430	\$11,610.00		
440	\$11,880.00		
450	\$12,150.00		
460	\$12,420.00		
470	\$12,690.00		
480	\$12,960.00		
490	\$13,230.00		
500	\$13,500.00		
510	\$13,770.00		
520	\$14,040.00		
530	\$14,310.00		
540	\$14,580.00		
550	\$14,850.00		
560	\$15,120.00		
570	\$15,390.00		
580	\$15,660.00		
590	\$15,930.00		
600	\$16,200.00		
610	\$16,470.00		
620	\$16,740.00		
630	\$17,010.00		
640	\$17,280.00		
650	\$17,550.00		
660	\$17,820.00		
670	\$18,090.00		
680	\$18,360.00		
690	\$18,630.00		
700	\$18,900.00		
710	\$19,170.00		
720	\$19,440.00		
730	\$19,710.00		
740	\$19,980.00		
750	\$20,250.00		
760	\$20,520.00		
770	\$20,790.00		
780	\$21,060.00		
790	\$21,330.00		
800	\$21,600.00		
810	\$21,870.00		
820	\$22,140.00		
830	\$22,410.00		
840	\$22,680.00		
850	\$22,950.00		
860	\$23,220.00		
870	\$23,490.00		
880	\$23,760.00		
890	\$24,030.00		
900	\$24,300.00		
910	\$24,570.00		
920	\$24,840.00		
930	\$25,110.00		
940	\$25,380.00		
950	\$25,650.00		
960	\$25,920.00		
970	\$26,190.00		
980	\$26,460.00		
990	\$26,730.00		
1000	\$27,000.00		

A SERMON IN SONG: “*GLORIA*” BY ANTONIO VIVALDI

PROGRAM NOTE BY DR. ROBERT WHITE, III

Although educated and ordained as a priest, Antonio Vivaldi (ca. 1678-1741) – a contemporary of Bach – devoted his life to playing the violin, teaching music, and composing, incredibly, over 700 instrumental and vocal works. Born into a family of modest means, he rose to fame and performed throughout Italy and other parts of Europe, but was buried in a pauper’s grave in Vienna.

For most of his professional life, Vivaldi was employed by the Ospedale della Pieta, an orphanage for girls with a reputation for excellence in music instruction in Venice, the city of his birth, and it was there that his “Gloria” was probably written and first performed (ca. 1716).

The “Gloria” is an ancient text from the Latin mass that many composers (including Bach) have set to music over the centuries. It is especially appropriate for Advent because it begins with the joyous Christmas greeting of the angels: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men” (Luke 2:14). The rest of the “Gloria” expresses, in order, several ways we may respond to the angels’ message after the initial wave of elation has subsided: by praising God; thanking God; recognizing and confessing our own sinfulness; seeking God’s mercy; and joyfully and triumphantly acknowledging the triune God as Lord. It is fundamentally the same sequence we follow not only during the course of Advent, but every time we gather in formal worship.

However, even though the text of the “Gloria” remains the same, every composer interprets it somewhat differently by putting it into different musical settings and emphasizing different parts of it. The moods established by Vivaldi’s rhythms and harmonies range beautifully from joyful to contrite, to meditative, and back again to joyful. However, by devoting the first two movements to a exuberant rendition of the angels’ song and then repeating some of the same themes and energetic rhythms in the final sections, Vivaldi infuses the piece with his own vision, a vision dominated by sheer joy. As a result, we see the timeless text in a new light and come refreshed and expectant to a new Advent season.

A SERMON IN SONG

GLORIA BY ANTONIO VIVALDI

1. **Gloria**

Gloria in excelsis Deo,

Glory to God in the highest,

2. **Et in terra pax**

et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

and on earth peace to men of good will.

3. **Laudamus te**

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

We praise thee. We bless thee. We adore thee. We glorify thee.

4. **Gratias agimus tibi**

Gratias agimus tibi

We give thanks to thee

5. **Propter magnam gloriam**

propter magnam gloriam tuam,

for thy great glory.

6. **Domine deus**

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens;

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty;

7. **Domine fili unigenite**

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe;

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

(continued on back)

8. **Domine deus, agnus dei**
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

9. **Qui tollis peccata mundi**
Qui tollis peccata mundi;
Thou who takes away the sins of the world;
miserere nobis.

have mercy upon us.
10. **Qui sedes ad dexteram**
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
Thou who sits at the right hand of the Father,
miserere nobis.
have mercy on us.

11. **Quoniam tu solus sanctus**
Quoniam tu solus sanctus;
For Thou alone art holy;
Tu solus Dominus; Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe;
Thou alone art the Lord; Thou alone art the Most High, O Jesus Christ;

12. **Cum sancto spiritu**
Cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.
With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

MUSICIANS PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

CONDUCTOR: Ricard Bordas

SOLOISTS: Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, alto

ORCHESTRA:

Violin 1: Micha Gangwer, Alex Boissonnault, Shr-Han Wu

Violin 2: Asako Kremer, Mayumi Nakamura, Stephanie Silvestri

Viola: Jan-Marie Joyce, Rachel Gangwer

Cello: Damian Kremer, Daniel Munn

Bass: Christian Hales

Oboe: Kelly Mozeik, Kari Kistler

Organ/Piano: Daniel Sansone

Piano: Pamela Nelson

KIRK CHOIR (directed by Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music):

SOPRANOS

Katherine Clarkson
Darlene Daehler-Wilking
Julianne Farnsworth
Marilyn Long
Karen Prewitt
Joan Smith
Julie Smith#
Helen Watson

ALTOS

Julie Cannell*
Kathy Davis
Shary Dillon
Phyllis Dickinson
Jessica Haynes*
Dallas Main
Margaret Ann Pearson
Carol Ann Smalley
Timmi Winston

TENORS

Rob Dillon
David Grossman
Hank Martin
Matt Riddle
Bryan Smalley

BASSES

Joe Casagranda
Richard Daehler-Wilking*
Strait Fairey*
Paul Gray
Roy Hutchinson*
Donald McDaniel
Holton Siegling*
Kevin Wood

*Friends of the Kirk

Unable to sing today