

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 29, 2023 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Ciacona in E Minor (BUXWV 160)” Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling Jr.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

God's Gift Shop

Nancy Hanson

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

“O Splendor of God's Glory Bright” PEUR NOBIS NASCITUR (8:45)

Katherine Clarkson, soprano

“Judge Eternal”

Malcolm Archer (11:15)

Kirk Choir

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

One: Our God is a God of compassion and mercy,

All: **slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love and faithfulness.**

One: So, come, let us worship God together.

All: **For great is God's love toward us!**

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

Hymn No. 473

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most holy and merciful God, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, prone to evil and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Yet, O God, we ask you to have mercy upon us who have sinned and fallen short of your glory. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And grant, O Merciful God, for His sake, that we may have a holy, just, and humble life for the glory of your holy name. 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.

THE WORD OF GOD

†CHILDRENS HYMN

“This Little Light of Mine”

African-American spiritual

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine!

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine!

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine!

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

THE WORD ENACTED

The Sacrament of Baptism

(Children through 5yrs old are dismissed to the Massie Building for Children's Church)

TIME FOR TEENS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Martha Jane Hudnall (8:45)

Hank Martin (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 86

(pew Bible, page 473)

New Testament Lesson: John 18:33-38

(pew Bible, page 881)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"WHAT IS TRUTH?"

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

†THE APOSTLES' CREED (unison)

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

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

Hymn No. 324

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel

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

Mary B. Robinson

(We celebrate that some people choose to give electronically or by texting FIRSTSCOTS to 73256)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"The Call"

Ralph Vaughan Williams (8:45)

"Christ is Our Cornerstone"

Philip W.J. Stopford (11:15)

†DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn No. 592

*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.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

Hymn No. 379

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ"

K. Lee Scott (8:45)

"Christ, Now Go Before Us"

Schubert/arr. Hopson (11:15)

†POSTLUDE

"Fugue in G Major (BuxWV 175)"

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Psalm 86

- ¹ Hear me, LORD, and answer me,
for I am poor and needy.
- ² Guard my life, for I am faithful to you;
save your servant who trusts in you.
- You are my God; ³ have mercy on me, Lord,
for I call to you all day long.
- ⁴ Bring joy to your servant, Lord,
for I put my trust in you.
- ⁵ You, Lord, are forgiving and good,
abounding in love to all who call to you.
- ⁶ Hear my prayer, LORD;
listen to my cry for mercy.
- ⁷ When I am in distress, I call to you,
because you answer me.
- ⁸ Among the gods there is none like you, Lord;
no deeds can compare with yours.
- ⁹ All the nations you have made
will come and worship before you, Lord;
they will bring glory to your name.
- ¹⁰ For you are great and do marvelous deeds;
you alone are God.
- ¹¹ Teach me your way, LORD,
that I may rely on your faithfulness;
give me an undivided heart,
that I may fear your name.
- ¹² I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart;
I will glorify your name forever.
- ¹³ For great is your love toward me;
you have delivered me from the depths,
from the realm of the dead.
- ¹⁴ Arrogant foes are attacking me, O God;
ruthless people are trying to kill me—
they have no regard for you.
- ¹⁵ But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God,
slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.
- ¹⁶ Turn to me and have mercy on me;
show your strength in behalf of your servant;
save me, because I serve you
just as my mother did.
- ¹⁷ Give me a sign of your goodness,
that my enemies may see it and be put to shame,
for you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

John 18:33-38

³³ Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

³⁴ “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?”

³⁵ “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

³⁶ Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

³⁷ “You are a king, then!” said Pilate.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

³⁸ “What is truth?” retorted Pilate. With this he went out again to the Jews gathered there and said, “I find no basis for a charge against him.

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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THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY THIS MORNING are given to the glory of God and
in memory of their parents, Calvin & Evelyn Dickinson and Phil & Mariexa Owen,
by George & Phyllis Dickinson.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM will be administered to Sullivan Whiting Crowder
at the 8:45 A.M. service. He is the son of Corey Crowder & Jordan Lowery.
Administered by The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers. Elder Jane Davis will assist.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM will be administered to Kelly Margaret Nevin
at the 11:15 A.M. service. She is the daughter of Scott & Cate Nevin.
Administered by The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. Elder Joe Thompson will assist.

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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 docent is Elizabeth Bernat (8:45 a.m.) & Michael Johnson (11:15 a.m.)

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ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETER (8:45 A.M.): Linda Stout

GREETERS (11:15 A.M.): Bob Dawson, Jon Carter

COFFEE GREETER: Greg McKenzie

USHERS (8:45 A.M.): Mikell Thaxton (Captain), David McCormack, Margaret McCormack,
Woody Kerr, CJ Kerr

USHERS (11:15 A.M.): David Warren (Captain), Caroline Barnes, Charles Jordan, Evan Biles,
Matt Thomas

DEACONS (8:45 A.M.): Anne LeClercq (Lead Deacon), Wesley Henderson (Assist. Deacon)

DEACONS (11:15 A.M.): Patrick Dollason (Lead Deacon), Ansley Feussner (Assist. Deacon)

BEADLE (8:45 A.M.): Bob Baldwin **BEADLE (11:15 A.M.):** Wade Davis

LAY READER (8:45 A.M.): Martha Jane Hudnall **LAY READER (11:15 A.M.):** Hank Martin

MEDIA MINISTRY:

PASTOR ON CALL (January 30) - The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel (843-640-5850)

PASTOR ON CALL (January 31 - February 5) - The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers (843-513-3717)

ELDER ON CALL (January 30 - February 5) – Steve Harth (843-906-4944)

DEACON ON CALL (January 30 - February 5) – Virginia Maybank (843-813-7745)

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 #473 - "For the Beauty of the Earth"

1 For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies.

Refrain:

Lord of all, to Thee we raise,
This our hymn of grateful praise.

2 For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light. (Refrain)

3 For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight. (Refrain)

4 For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild. (Refrain)

5 For Thy Church, that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love. (Refrain)

Hymn #324 - "Open My Eyes That I May See"

1 Open my eyes, that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.

Refrain:

Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes (ears, heart), illumine me,
Spirit divine!

2 Open my ears, that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
Everything false will disappear. (Refrain)

3 Open my mouth, and let me bear,
Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to share. (Refrain)

379 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK LM with refrain

Edward Mote, c. 1834

William Batchelder Bradbury, 1863

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less Than Je - sus' blood and
 2. When dark-ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on His un -
 3. His oath, His cov - e - nant, His blood Sup - port me in the
 4. When He shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

right - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, But whol-ly
 chang-ing grace; In ev - ery high and storm-y gale, My an-chor
 whelm-ing flood; When all a-round my soul gives way, He then is
 Him be found, Dressed in His right - teous - ness a - lone, Fault - less to

Refrain

lean on Je - sus' name.
 holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; All
 all my hope and stay.
 stand be - fore the throne.

oth - er ground is sink-ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink-ing sand.

Alternate tune: MELITA, 562



Office Angels Needed!

Though she will be moving to Florida, Susan Cocallas, our Administrative Assistant, will continue to work remotely during the month of February. We are currently looking for office angels to assist with answering the phone and door until we are able to find her replacement.

If you are able to assist, please contact Deanna Barteet, dbarteet@first-scots.org, in the church office.

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First (Scots) Kindergarten Admissions

The Admissions process for First (Scots) Kindergarten & Preschool for the 2023-2024 school year will be held during the month of January. In accordance with our Admission policies, the school offers existing students an opportunity to enroll first. We then offer active church members and siblings of existing students an opportunity to enroll (provided spaces are available) prior to opening it to families in the community.

For church members to receive this priority status, they must have been active for the previous 12 months, attended worship regularly and supported First (Scots) Presbyterian Church financially through a recorded pledge or contribution.

Please call Martha Harken, Kindergarten Director, at 843-722-8882 or email her at fspckindergarten@first-scots.org if you are interested in receiving more information.

Tours are also available by appointment. Applications can be found in the reception area on the 2nd floor of the Massie Building.

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Sunday Coffee Hour Assistants Needed

We are looking for members of the congregation to serve as assistants to the coffee greeter during coffee hour each Sunday. Serving as coffee hour assistant is an important part of First (Scots) ministry and is a great way to meet new people with our congregation!

To volunteer, please use the Coffee Volunteer SignUpGenius in the Kirk News to register for a spot or please contact Rebecca McNeill, rmcneill@first-scots.org.

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New Members Class

Have you been thinking about becoming more active in the church and joining the membership? If so, a new members class has been scheduled for Saturday, February 4th beginning at 9:00 a.m. Following the class, participants are invited to join the church membership the next day, Sunday, February 5th.

If you are interested in attending this one-day Inquiry Class, please contact Susan Cocallas, scocallas@first-scots.org.

High School Youth Bethelwoods Retreat

This February 24th—26th, the high school youth are going to Camp Bethelwoods in York, SC, joining youth and adults from local Presbyterian churches, and participating in exciting recreation, small groups, worship, and more. Please see the High School Youth Bethelwoods Retreat Flyer (tinyurl.com/FSYouthHSBethel23)



for all the details. Register no later than February 5th by using our Online Registration Form and paying the \$75/person retreat fee through Online Giving, designating payment to the “H.S. Bethelwoods Retreat”. Space is limited, so we encourage everyone to sign up early. Per our Youth Trip Registration Policy, both the registration form and payment must be received for registration to be considered complete.

Questions about your registration? Please contact Janette Allen, jallen@first-scots.org.

Questions about the retreat? Talk to James Rogers or Hammond Unger who are members of our Presbytery Youth Council which plans and leads our Bethelwood retreats. We’re looking forward to a special weekend!

Registration Continues for Summer Youth Trips!

This summer our high school and middle school youth will again have opportunities to make new friends, deepen their relationships with God and others, serve, learn, worship, and have fun. Flyers with trip details can be found in our weekly Youth Ministry Email (tinyurl.com/FirstScotsYouth). Registrations should be completed using the Online Registration Form and deposits (\$100/trip) should be submitted using Online Giving. Registration for summer trips will close on February 5th, however trip capacity is limited, so we encourage everyone to apply as soon as possible.

Please see the trip flyer for our Youth Trip Registration Policy and information on financial aid.

-Montreat High School Youth Conference: June 10th - 17th (for current 8th-12th graders)

-Thornwell Home for Children Middle School Youth Mission Trip: June 25th - 30th
(for current 6th-8th graders)

-Washington DC High School Youth Mission Trip: July 10th - 16th (for current 9th-12th graders)

-Middle School Youth Conference at Maryville College: July 19th - 23rd (for current 5th-8th graders)

Youth Group, January 29th

High school youth are invited to participate in homeless ministry by serving a pizza dinner at God’s Hot Dog Ministry on Sunday. We will meet in the Citadel Square Baptist Church (328 Meeting Street) parking lot at 4:45 p.m. to set up, before serving the meal, eating dinner together, cleaning up, and reflecting on the experience. Rides back to the Kirk House will be provided for those needing to be picked up with or without siblings at 7:00 p.m. This is the fifth time the youth of First (Scots) have partnered with this ministry, which our church supports several times a year.

If you are planning to volunteer, please reserve your spot using our Hot Dog Ministry SignUpGenius (tinyurl.com/FSYouthHotDog23). In addition, you can sign up to provide some of the items we need for our meal for thirty people (cookies, fruit, drinks, plates, and napkins) or a clothing or toiletry item (jackets have been requested in the past).

Questions about this event? Please contact James Rogers (jrogers@first-scots.org).

Middle school youth will be learning more about Water Mission, as we host Greg McKenzie, who is a church member that works for Water Mission. To date Water Mission has served more than 7 million people through 2,800 projects in 57 countries! Meet at the Kirk House from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. as we enjoy a game, our Great Our Doors devotion, and dinner, before learning about this amazing ministry!

Questions about this event? Please contact Ian Giancursio (igiancursio@first-scots.org).



Wednesday Chapel Service

Please join us for worship on Wednesday, February 1st at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel.

Wednesday Night Supper

Please make your reservation to Susan (scocallas@first-scots.org) or call 843-722-8882 by

NOON on Monday, January 30th to give Chef Nancy time to prepare.

When you RSVP remember to include your children.

Menu for April 27th

Shrimp and Grits

Kids: Chicken Nuggets (please specify if needed when making reservation)

Donations for Dinner - \$10 for adults, \$6 for ages 6 - college, free for ages 5 & under, \$25 for a family.

All donations can be paid at the door, through the First (Scots) giving app or mailed to the church office.

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Reserve Sanctuary Flowers

We are taking reservations for Sunday sanctuary flower arrangements for 2022. The cost to sponsor sanctuary flowers is \$165. Don't miss this special opportunity to recognize someone in your life.

Available dates: February 19th

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

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Presbyterian Women Valentines Luncheon

The annual First (Scots) Presbyterian Women Valentines Luncheon will take place on Tuesday, February 7th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Molly Wier Hall. Our speaker will be First (Scots) member Charlotte Crabtree who will share interesting and historical information from her experience at The Silver Vault.

This event fills up quickly, so please RSVP by February 1st.

Please email your RSVP to Laura Beall, laurabeall77@gmail.com. The cost is \$25. Please make checks payable to First (Scots) PW and mail them to Anne Dukes, 80 Bull Street, Charleston, SC 29401.

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February 12th Lunch & Learn

Please join us in Molly Wier Hall for a Lunch and Learn event on February 12th following the 11:15 a.m. worship service. We will provide a soup and sandwich lunch along with a program by our own George Dickinson and Kate Rogers, as they share their professional knowledge about preparing for the end of life. George Dickinson is a professor at the College of Charleston, and he teaches a course on Death and Dying. George and his co-author Michael Leming have recently published the 9th edition of the textbook, Understanding dying, death, and bereavement. Kate works in a hospital setting and has helped many families navigate important concerns related to end-of-life concerns.

You can register for lunch by emailing Janette Allen, jallen@first-scots.org.

A \$10.00 donation is recommended for lunch and will be accepted at the event.



God's Gift Shop 2022

Thank you all for supporting God's Gift Shop and sending your love far and wide!

You gave \$50,441 to help God's children here in Charleston and around the world. The committee (Alan Ables and Carol Rees, Anne and Bob Dukes, Brenda and Tom Dukes, Nancy and Craig Hanson, Jean Marterre and

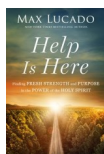
David Hoskinson, Betsy Middleton, and Stephanie and Matt Spath) sends heartfelt thanks to this year's volunteers upon whom we rely: Dorothy, Georgiana, Witt, and Mikell Thaxton, Ashley and Bob Nutley, Zadie

Hawk, Lane Hawk, Aubrey Domm, Beth, Beatrice, Victoria, and Scott Evans, Linda Stout, Dan Daniel, Seraphina and April Wood, Kathy Rhodes, Pam and Jack Callahan, Joanne and Mark Zuraw, Sugar and Tom Slabaugh, Natalie Gregory, Ginny Thaxton, Marie Vandivort, Carolyn Anderson, Martha Jane Hudnall, Betsy

Martin, Frank Martin, and Kim, Rivers, Elle, Graham, and JC Taylor.

Grateful thanks for their support are also extended to Deanna Barteet, Rebecca McNeill, Shelby Olinger, Martha Harken, Dr. Holton Siegling, Dr. James Rogers, Reverend Tracey Daniel and Mary Robinson.

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Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

You are invited to join the Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study of *Help is Here: Finding Fresh Strength and Purpose in the Power of the Holy Spirit* by Max Lucado. The Bible makes more than one hundred references to the Holy Spirit, but do we really know the Spirit? In five DVD sessions, Pastor Max Lucado reveals who the Spirit is, how He can empower us to become more joyful, and ways we can overcome anything when we draw closer to God. Purchasing Max Lucado's book is optional, but recommended.

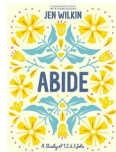
WHEN: Tuesdays, February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, and March 7th from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Room 203 of the Massie Building

WHAT: Study Guide, *Help is Here*, available online and a few copies at the church

LEADERS: Martha Jane Hudnall & Ruthie Edwards (RSVP to halfsouthern1@gmail.com)

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Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

You are invited to join the Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study of *Abide*. We will be studying along with one of our favorite leaders, Jen Wilkin, as she leads us verse-by-verse through 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John. Please join us for the next ten weeks as we find encouragement in the truth that God loves us and are challenged to remain steadfast in our faith.

WHEN: Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (Class began on January 11th)

WHERE: Room 203 of the Massie Building

QUESTIONS: Amy Shubert, ashubert27@gmail.com