FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 19, 2023 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M. FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE "Offertoire sur les grands jeux (Mass for the Convents)" François Couperin

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

MINUTE FOR MISSION Egg Hunt and Spring Picnic John Robinson (8:45)

Tita Massie (11:15)

†Passing of the Peace

INTROIT "O Sing Unto the Lord" Hassler/arr. Hopson (8:45)

Katherine Clarkson, soprano

"Ubi Caritas" Becki Slagle Mayo (11:15)

Kirk Choristers

†CALL TO WORSHIP Mary B. Robinson

One: We come, trusting in God's mercy and love, longing to know and to learn more about God's

ways.

All: We come, to be guided in the ways of God's truth — to experience the joy of God's

salvation.

One: We come, during our Lenten journey, aware of God's steadfast love helping us to overcome the

trials and temptations which can descend on us at any time.

All: Lead us, O God, to do what is right in your eyes and teach us to follow the humble way

of Christ, your beloved Son, our crucified and risen Lord.

+†Processional Hymn

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

Hymn No. 476

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, in a world broken by foolish arrogance, we continue to trumpet our greatness and flaunt our power. Forgive us, we pray, when we neglect your will and your way, and when we deny the sacredness of our neighbors. Whenever people are tempted to think of themselves as better than others, more worthy, more deserving, more important to you, may your humility break in and challenge us, reminding us of our brokenness and need and of the grace and humility you show towards us. In Jesus' name we pray. 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 "Spirit of the Living God" Hymn No. 322 (8:45)

"Peace Like a River" African-American spiritual (11:15)

Alleluia & Cheruh Choirs

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

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

TIME FOR TEENS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION J-Bo Wall (8:45)

Jules Anderson (11:15)

THE WORD READ Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 25:8-14 (pew Bible, page 436)

New Testament Lesson: Luke 4:9-14 (pew Bible, page 835)

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED "THE BEST HUMILITY SERMON EVER"

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

"At the Name of Jesus"

Hymn No. 148

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Simple Gifts (Shaker Song)" arr. Aaron Copland (8:45)

"Arise, My Soul, Arise" Dan Forrest (11:15)

Kirk Choir; Asako Kremer, violin

†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.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE WORD ENACTED

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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

The Communion of the People

Communion Anthem "Jesus, Though Joy of Loving Hearts" JESU, DULCIS MEMORIA (8:45)

"Bread of Heaven" Roy Hopp (11:15)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Hymn No. 281

Psalm 25:8-14

- ⁸ Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
- ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.
- ¹⁰ All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.
- ¹¹ For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.
- ¹²Who are they who fear the LORD? He will teach them the way that they should choose.
- ¹³ They will abide in prosperity, and their children shall possess the land.
- ¹⁴The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him, and he makes his covenant known to them.

Luke 4:9-14

⁹Then the devil^a led him to Jerusalem and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰ for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,'

11 and

'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' "

¹² Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' " ¹³ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

¹⁴Then Jesus, in the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding region.

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen"

Dresden (8:45)

"O Lord, Seek Us"

K. Lee Scott (11:15)

†Postlude

"Dialogue sur les grands jeux (Mass for the Convents)"

François Couperin

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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 loving memory of her husband Chris, in celebration of what would have been his 75th birthday by Julie Smith.

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CHRISTIAN LOVE & SYMPATHY are extended to Jamie Bruce and family on the death of his wife Anne on Wednesday, March 15th.

A service has been scheduled for Thursday, March 23rd at 2:00 p.m. at First (Scots).

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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 Harold Davis (8:45 a.m.) & Evan Biles (11:15 a.m.)

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ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETER (8:45 A.M.): Whit Smith

GREETERS (11:15 A.M.): Bob George, Jack Callahan

COFFEE GREETER: Chett McCubrey

USHERS (8:45 A.M.): Whit Smith (Captain), David McCormack, Margaret McCormack, Haylea Shuman, Rob Dillon

USHERS (11:15 A.M.): John Witty (Captain), Matt Riddle, Evan Biles, Michael Johnson, Barbara Plaxco, Todd Plaxco

DEACONS (8:45 A.M.): Dee Pridgen (Lead Deacon), Sugar Slabaugh (Assist. Deacon)

DEACONS (11:15 A.M.): Emily Warr (Lead Deacon), Elizabeth Riddle (Assist. Deacon)

BEADLE (8:45 A.M.): Bill Prewitt BEADLE (11:15 A.M.): Jack Callahan

LAY READER (8:45 A.M.): J-Bo Wall LAY READER (11:15 A.M.): Jules Anderson MEDIA MINISTRY: Matt Bucknam

PASTOR ON CALL (March 20 - March 26) - The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel (843-640-5850)

ELDER ON CALL (March 20 - March 26) – Lloyd Pearson (843-653-7977)

DEACON ON CALL (March 20 - March 26) — Sugar Slabaugh (843-230-7761)

CHERUB CHOIR: Mary Helen Dollason, Miles Feussner, Charlie Fitzhenry, Max Fitzhenry, Tucker Fitzhenry, Annalise Goodearp, Louise Greaver, William Henderson, Elizabeth Kunes, Charlotte Marko, Lilly McGann, James Reid, Eva Riddle, Gaurav Sharma, Jayne Fraser Shiver, Lilla Truluck, Eloise Williams

ALLELUIA CHOIR: Hudson Brown, Bethan Calhoun, Ella Coates, Charlotte Dawson, Henry Dollason, Beatrice Evans, Davis Feussner, Anderson Freeman, Fulton Greaver, Millie Haseldon, Thomas Jackson, William Jackson, Frank Johnson, Naisy Marko, Annie Moore, Whit Reid, Henry Rogers,

Anna Clarke Thornton, Brooks Topham, Henry Topham, Rose Williams

KIRK CHORISTERS: Finn Brown, Ellie Bischoff, Reagan Calhoun, Bee Dawson, Victoria Evans, Mo Gregory, Gus Gresham, Madeline Kunes, Fay Lucas, Kathleen Lynn, Thomas McGann, Oliver Riddle, Georgianna Thaxton, Ava Topham, McKenzie Warren, Zoe Wheeler, Seraphina Wood

Deanna Barteet, Church Administrator Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant Susan Cocallas, Administrative Assistant

Rebecca McNeill, Communications and Volunteer Coordinator
Alex Birrueta, Sexton

Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant

Daniel Sansone, Director of Music & Organist Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music

Martha Harken, Interim Kindergarten Director Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir

lan Giancursio, Youth Ministry Coordinator Nancy Hunsicker, Food Services Director

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Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
 In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
 Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
 Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

Hymn #322: "Spirit of the Living God"

1. Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

Hymn #148: "At the Name of Jesus"

1 At the name of Jesus Every knee shall bow, Every tongue confess Him King of glory now; 'Tis the Father's pleasure We should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning Was the mighty Word.

2 Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners,
Unto whom He came,
Faithfully He bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious
When from death He passed;

3 Bore it up triumphant, With its human light, Through all ranks of creatures, To the central height, To the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast; Filled it with the glory Of that perfect rest.

4 Christians, this Lord Jesus Shall return again, With His Father's glory, O'er the earth to reign; For all wreaths of empire Meet upon His brow, And our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

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CWM RHONDDA 8.7.8.7.8.7.7





Congregational Meeting - Sunday, March 26th

A congregational meeting has been called for the purpose of election of officers on behalf of the Nominating Committee. The meeting will be held in the sanctuary at 10:50 a.m. on Sunday, March 26th.

Please see the enclosed insert for more information on this year's nominees.



Nineteenth Annual First (Scots) Fellowship Golf Tournament

The Fellowship Committee is happy to announce the Nineteenth Annual First (Scots) Fellowship Golf Tournament. The tournament will be held on April 10th (the Monday after Easter) at the Charleston Municipal Golf Course. There is an 8:30 a.m. arrival time with a 9:30 a.m. tee time. The cost is \$85 per person which includes the green and cart fees, a boxed lunch, range balls, and the chance to win some great prizes! All proceeds will support the local, regional, and world mission efforts of the First (Scots) youth. You will also have the opportunity to get your name added to the church trophy, The Harper Award.

To sign up, please complete the sign-up form (available on the First (Scots) website) and return it and your payment to the church office. Payment can be made by check directly to the church or by credit card through

E-giving, designating payment to "Golf Tournament". **The deadline to register is April 4th.**Hole sponsorship opportunities are available for \$150 and include a nice sign on the tee box of a hole featuring your business logo or, if you want to sponsor a hole personally, it can include a short message to the golfers. If you have any questions, would like to sponsor a hole, or are interested in making a donation towards the awards, please contact Brent Sausser, brentsausser@gmail.com or 843-670-7300.



Fellowship Spring Picnic and Easter Egg Hunt

Mark your calendars for Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023! We will have an Easter Egg Hunt and Spring Fellowship picnic following the 11:15am worship service that day. The egg hunt will begin immediately following the 11:15 a.m. service. Kids ages birth through age 3 will look for eggs in the playground while older children will hunt for eggs around the front and sides of the sanctuary.

For those not involved in the egg hunt, you are invited to go straight to the Spring Fellowship Picnic in Molly Wier Hall following the 11:15 a.m. service. The meal is free to your family, however, we ask you bring your favorite side dish. The church will supply fried chicken, bread, and drinks.

To sign up, you may call the church office (843-722-8882) or email Susan Cocallas., socallas@first-scots.org. Please make sure to include what you will be bringing (vegetable, starch, salad, or dessert) along with your reservation. You may also register online using the Spring Picnic SignUpGenius linked in the Kirk News. When you arrive to church on Palm Sunday, please drop your dish off in the kitchen any time before the 11:15 a.m. service.



Easter Candy Donations for Egg Hunt

We are asking for candy donations for our church Easter egg hunt! Donations will be collected starting this Sunday at the entrance to Molly Wier Hall.

Please make sure all donations are nut free. For questions please contact Chantal Byrne 843-324-9819.



S.C.O.T.S. Day 2023

This year, S.C.O.T.S. Day (Serving Community Organizations Together on Saturday) will be held on April 22nd! This is a wonderful opportunity for church members to engage in local missions through volunteering and participating in mission driven events.

Below are this year's volunteer opportunities. Please use the provided links in the Kirk News for sign-up: Family Opportunity in Molly Wier Hall - This will be an opportunity for service and fellowship. Stations will be set-up throughout Molly Wier Hall for projects such as making card for homebound church members and making toiletry bags for the homeless.

This activity will begin at 9:00 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall.

Carolina Youth Development Center - Founded in 1790, Carolina Youth Development Center is an important part of Charleston's historic and cultural heritage, a direct descendant of the Charleston Orphan House, America's first publicly-funded orphanage.

Today, CYDC provides programs reaching over 900 children, youth and their families locally each year. We care for young people who are victims of physical and sexual abuse, neglect and abandonment, as well as providing resources and support to area families at risk of having their children removed from their home.

There will be two volunteer opportunities at CYDC:

Indoor CYDC Volunteer Opportunity - This opportunity will involve organizing donations for the CYDC's storehouse.

Outdoor CYDC Volunteer Opportunity - This opportunity will be a landscaping project for the center. Volunteers for these two projects (open to all ages!) will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Carolina Youth Development Center (5055 Lackawanna Blvd. N. Charleston, 29405). Stayed tuned for more S.C.O.T.S. Day volunteer opportunities to come!



Lunch for Oldest Members of the Church

Today from 12:15 p.m.- 2:00 p.m., the high school and middle school youth, confirmation class, Washington DC and Thornwell mission teams, and Presbyterian Women are hosting a special St. Patrick's Day themed lunch for the oldest members of our church (those 80+ years old and their spouses have been invited). Please meet in Molly Wier Hall at the time specified for your role and be ready to serve as a table decorator, cook/food preparer, greeter, prayer leader, table conversation leader, meal assistant, trivia game leader, or benediction leader. After the lunch, we'll clean up Molly Wier Hall and finish at 2:00 p.m. Please be sure to sign up for your specific role using our St. Patrick's Day Themed Lunch SignUpGenius (tinyurl.com/FSYouthStPatrick23).

Walk for Water

Join us on Saturday, March 25th for Water Mission's annual Walk for Water! We'll gather under the covered picnic table area by the children's play area at Riverfront Park (1061 Everglades Ave, N.

Charleston) at 9:00 a.m. for the opening ceremony before experiencing the three mile walk, finishing no later than noon. This event will give us a better understanding of the distance people around the world walk each day for water. Proceeds will enable Water Mission to provide clean drinking water to communities in need and share the Living Water message of Jesus Christ. This event is open to your family and friends as well as other members of First (Scots), so feel free to invite parents, siblings, and friends to join in this effort.

The registration fee is \$25 for adults (ages 18+) and \$10 for youth (ages 5-17).

Join the First (Scots) Presbyterian Church Team today (tinyurl.com/FSYouthWalk23).

Please contact Rebecca McNeill, rmcneill@first-scots.org, with any questions or if you might

be interested in donating to the team.

Nominating Committee At-Large Nominees



<u>Julius "Jules" Anderson</u> and his wife Lynda, along with their three daughters, have been members of First (Scots) since 1975. Jules has served First (Scots) as an Elder, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, and youth advisor. He has also acted as chairman of the Senior Pastor Search Committee and served on the DCE Search Committee. Jules has also served on the permanent Judiciary Committee for the Charleston-Atlantic Presbytery.



<u>Gordon Bondurant</u> and his wife Linda, along with their two sons, have been members of First (Scots) since 1999. A graduate of Davidson College, Gordon spent his professional career serving as headmaster for several schools. Throughout his life, Gordon has served as both an Elder and a Deacon at First (Scots) and various other churches. He has participated in two mission trips to Honduras and has served on the Stewardship and Pastor Search Committees. Gordon has also been a Sunday School teacher, a



<u>Hugh Buxton (youth)</u> is a sophomore at Porter Gaud. He serves on the leadership team for the FSPC Youth Group. He regularly participates in Youth Sunday and has enjoyed mission and ski trips with the church. At school, he plays football, bowling, and track, is in the Handbell Choir, FCA, and on the Model UN team.



<u>Lisa Heape</u> and her husband, Steve, joined First (Scots) in 1991. Lisa has participated in numerous church activities through the years including Vacation Bible School, Kirk Club, Congregational Care Committee, Evangelism Committee, Meals on Wheels, funeral receptions, Scots Day and as an occasional "office angel". She enjoys her Wednesday morning Bible study group and served two years as co-chair for Circle 5, and in the Diaconate Classes of 2011 and 2018. Lisa served as the Diaconate representative on the Nominating Committee in 2018.



<u>David Neff</u> and his wife, Elaine, joined First (Scots) in 1993, and their two now adult children grew up and participated in the church's youth programs. David has served on the Session several times and chaired the Personnel Committee. He also served on the Nominating Committee. He has been a member of two pastoral search committees, most recently chairing the Associate Pastor Search Committee that recruited the Rev. Tracey Daniel. David has been an usher captain for many years.



<u>Doug Snyder</u> has been a member of First (Scots) for over 20 years. He was an adult participant in his twin's, Elizabeth and Manning, Confirmation class. Doug has served as a Deacon and a Stephen Minister. Doug is married to Julianne Farnsworth. He is a certified public accountant and a certified global management accountant and the Chief Financial Officer and treasurer of LS3P, an



Vacation Bible School 2023

Get ready to launch into outer space as we learn all about letting Jesus' light shine through the universe! Join us for an out-of-this-world fun week at Vacation Bible School, filled with singing, Bible time, crafts, imagination experiments and all sorts of exciting games and activities. Fun snacks and lunch will be served daily. You also won't want to miss our end-of-the-week party to celebrate a stellar week of learning and fun with our friends! Sign up using the VBS Registration Form (www.tinyurl.com/FSPCvbs) in order to hold your spot.

Please also fill out the Child Permission and Release Form (www.tinyurl.com/FSChildRelease)

Please note that both this form and the VBS Registration form, as well as payment, **must** be submitted for your child's registration to be considered complete.

What: First (Scots) Vacation Bible School

When: July 31st - August 4th, 2023; 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Who: Rising 4K - Rising 5th Grade

Cost: \$50 (can be paid online via E-giving, designating payment to "Vacation Bible School")



Kirk Club Finale

The last Kirk Club of the year will be on March 29th and will end with a finale at 6:00 p.m. during Wednesday Night Supper during which the Kirk Club children will perform a song and receive their Kirk Club certificates. Parents, please plan to join us this evening by making your WNS reservation with Susan Cocallas, scocallas@first-scots.org, by noon on March 27th.



Community Lenten Services 2023

The third of the Charleston Community Lenten Services will take place at noon on Wednesday, March 22nd at St. John's Lutheran Church. The Rev. Anthony Thompson will lead worship focusing on the theme of the "cross". All are welcome to a complimentary lunch following the service at the host church.

Wednesday Night Supper

Please make your reservation to Susan Cocallas in the church office by **NOON** on **Monday, March 20th** to give Chef Nancy time to prepare. When you RSVP remember to include your children.

Menu for March 22nd:

Greek Chicken, Rice, Vegetables

Kids: Grilled Cheese (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 First (Scots) E-giving, or mailed to the church office.



2023 Nehemiah Rally

We invite you to join other members of First (Scots) on Monday, March 20th, for the Nehemiah Assembly at Mount Moriah Church where major issues of affordable housing, available health care, safe, supportive schools, progress on police audits and saving Gadsden Creek are the topics to be addressed.

Nehemiah Assembly of Charleston Area Justice Ministry Monday, March 20th, 2023, 7:00 p.m. Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church

7396 Rivers Ave., N. Charleston, (Masks will be required)

For more information about the Charleston Areas Justice Ministry, to register for the Nehemiah Assembly Meeting or for a ride, please call any of the following First (Scots) Network Members:

Hank Martin, 843-670-3281; Elizabeth McAnally, 843-513-2020; Blakely Adair, 919-606-1025; Julia Eichelberger, 843-276-3580; Roy Hutchinson, 843-762-2945; Betsy Martin, 843-670-5670; Phyllis Dickinson, 843-763-8585; Will LeClercq, 843-817-2046; Charlotte Fairey, 843-696-0329



Bach Society Performance at First (Scots)

The Bach Society of Charleston invites you to attend an extraordinary concert in the First (Scots) sanctuary on Sunday, March 26th at 4:00 p.m.

Under the leadership of conductor and Artistic Director Ricard Bordas, the program includes one of the jewels of the Baroque era, Pergolesi's Stabat Mater, as well as Vivaldi's Salve Regina for soprano, and Concerto for violin and Organ D Major.

Performers include soprano Margaret Kelly Cook, mezzo-soprano Jennifer Luiken; Daniel Sansone, chamber organ; the Charleston Southern University Bel Canto choir, and the Charleston Baroque Players, a period instrument ensemble assembled from multiple states.

For more information and to purchase tickets, please go to www.bachsocietyofcharleston.org.

Deacon Nominations

Class of 2026



Gene Childers and his wife, Anne Mobley Childers, moved to Charleston in 2019 from Gaffney, SC. They have been frequent visitors of First (Scots) since 2006 with his daughter Elizabeth (Lizzie) Hamilton and her family. Gene and Anne officially joined the church in 2019. Gene has enjoyed getting to know his First (Scots) family by being an active member of the Tuesday morning Men's Breakfast Bible Study. He has also served as a confirmation guide, VBS volunteer, and as an usher.



Legare Gresham has been a member of First (Scots) since 2011. Legare is an actuary who works for Energy Insurance Mutual. She and her husband, Tap, have two children, Charlie and Gus, who participate in many of the children's and middle school ministries offered at First (Scots). Legare has volunteered within the church for the nursery, Kirk Club, Vacation Bible School, as a Sunday School teacher, and a Sunday School shepherd. She is also a former member of the Stewardship Committee and children's council.



Lisle Henderson moved to Charleston in 2018 from New York City. He has a daughter, Kristen, and a son, Mason. Since being at First (Scots), Lisle has served as an usher/greeter, been member of the Thursday Table Talk Bible Study, and a Koinonia member. Lisle retired from higher education after being a computer science professor, department chair, dean, and served as the registrar at Pratt Institute and The Fashion Institute of Technology.



Ginger Liner was born in Winston-Salem, NC and was baptized by her grandfather. Ginger joined First (Scots) with her husband, Grayson in 2015. They were married at First (Scots) and now have 2 children, Sellars (5), and Gray (2.5) who were both baptized at the church. Ginger has served as an usher, Sunday School teacher, and has volunteered with Vacation Bible School. She works as a speech language pathologist and in her spare time enjoys reading and traveling with her family.



Michelle Parks has been a member of First (Scots) Presbyterian for over 20 years. She and her husband, Troy, were married at the church and both of their children, Connor and Dylan, were baptized at First (Scots). Michelle has served the church in various roles including Sunday School teacher, confirmation guide, and member of the Fellowship Committee. She previously served as a Deacon from 2018 - 2021 and is looking forward to the opportunity to serve again.



Mayrelle Semken has been a faithful member of First (Scots) for 23 years and has enjoyed taking part in many activities. She is a member of the Unbroken Circle and Koinonia and serves as an usher. Mayrelle's daughter was married at First (Scots) and four of her children were baptized at the Church. Two members of her family, John and Heather, have served as Deacons. Mayrelle is honored to carry on the service as Deacon to the First (Scots) congregation.



Catie Smith was born and raised in Winston-Salem, NC and grew up in the Presbyterian Church. She started attending First (Scots) after college and joined in 2013. Her and her husband Dawson married at First (Scots) in 2015 and have two boys, Sawyer (5) and Davis (3) who were both baptized at the church. Catie has volunteered with VBS and teaches Sunday School. She loves cooking, traveling and spending time with friends and family.



Jason Wall is originally from Monroe, NC and now lives on James Island with his wife, Christa, and their two children, Nora and Griffin. He has been a member of First (Scots) for four years and attends the Tuesday Men's Breakfast Bible Study. Jason is a graduate of Wake Forest University and currently works for Wells Fargo Middle Market Banking.



Heidi Whaley joined First (Scots) in 1972. She married John Seabrook Whaley, Jr. (deceased) in First (Scots) in 1982. Heidi has two adult children, Mary Legare Whaley and Seabrook Whaley, III, both were baptized and confirmed at First (Scots). Heidi has served as a Deacon, as a Sunday School teacher for 20 years, and assisted with VBS for several summers. She was treasurer of the First (Scots) Kindergarten from 1989-1997. Heidi is currently a member of the Sanctuary Preservation Society.

Deacon Nominee Class of 2025



Susan Castles Leland joined First (Scots) in November 1986 and has been active ever since. She was sent to Malawi, Africa in July of 1987 as a Presbyterian missionary to help build a relationship with the Malawians and the United States. Susan actively serves on the Fellowship Committee and has two sons, Wilson & Castles, who were baptized and raised at First (Scots).

Youth Deacon Nominee Class of 2024



Abby Morrison is a junior at Wando High School and is excited to serve as a Youth Deacon! Abby was baptized at First (Scots) as a baby and has grown up participating in the youth group, including mission trips and retreats. She has held many roles in the First (Scots) family which has influenced her faith in the best way possible. She is looking forward to her new role!

Elder Nominations



Julianne Farnsworth has been a member of First (Scots) Presbyterian Church since May of 2004. Julianne sings in the Kirk Choir, a member of the Tuesday night Bible study, a member of the World Missions Committee and a member of the Seekers' Circle. She has also served as a Deacon and taught Sunday School. Julianne is married to Douglas Snyder and they have two 22-year-old children, Elizabeth and Manning Snyder. Julianne practices law with Moore & VanAllen



Byron Frick is a graduate of Flagler College and received his masters from the Savannah College of Art and Design. He enjoys working with his hands and works in the building and renovation field. He and Ali are the parents of Campbell, Abigail, and Amelia. A member of First (Scots) for around 20 years, Byron has been an usher and has worked with the Flower Ministry, Meals on Wheels, and the youth/teen Sunday School class. He enjoys both playing and coaching ice



Lynn Graves has been a member of First (Scots) for forty years. She has served on the Session three times; on the Diaconate (Moderator); and on several committees: Worship (Chair), World Missions (Chair), Local Missions, Finance, Nominating, Future Fund I & II, and Pulpit Nominating. She has been a Bethel Bible Study leader, a circle lesson leader, and a Sunday School teacher. Lynn is a retired counseling center director and therapist. She is married to Dr. Jerry



John Marko, Jr. has been a member of First (Scots) since 2006 and has previously served on the Diaconate. He has also served on both the Property and Worship Committees. He especially enjoys helping to coordinate and participate in Scottish Heritage Sunday, as well as volunteering as an usher. One of his greatest honors is serving as beadle. Together John and his wife Katie have three daughters: Naisy, Charlotte, and Johnnie.



Betsy Martin has been a member of First (Scots) since 1974. For most of those years, Betsy served as a Sunday School teacher. She has also previously served as both a Deacon and an Elder. She has also served as a part of the Haiti mission team and as a First (Scots) team leader for the Charleston Area Justice Ministry. Betsy participates in Hands of Christ, the Prayer Shawl Ministry, and is one of the "science ladies" for Vacation Bible School.



Jane McNeill and her husband, John, along with their two daughters, Katie and Rebecca, joined First (Scots) in 2005 after moving to Charleston from Spartanburg, SC. Since joining First (Scots), she has served as an Elder, been a member of the Worship Committee, chaired Martha's Ministry for several years, served on the Nominating

Elizabeth Riddle and her husband Matt Riddle joined First (Scots) in 2013. They have two children: Oliver, and Eva. Elizabeth is enjoying her second year of co-leading Kirk Club and has served as a Deacon for the past two and a half years. She is also currently serving as secretary for the Evangelism Committee and serves as a lay reader for First



John Robinson has been a member of First (Scots) since 2013. His wife, Sallie, and four children were baptized at First (Scots). John has served the Church as beadle, usher, Deacon, and is the current Chairperson of the Fellowship Committee. He also assists on the First (Scots) Organ Subcommittee. John is a local attorney and businessman.

Youth Elder Nominee Class of 2024



Susan White is the daughter of Janet and John White, Sr. and has two brothers, John, Jr. and William. She was baptized and confirmed at First (Scots) and is a member of the youth leadership team. Susan is currently a junior attending Charleston School of the Arts. Susan is currently on the nursery staff and has created the artwork for the Youth Sunday bulletin cover for the last several years.