

# FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 16, 2023 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

## THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Christ Lag in Todesbanden (BWV 625)”

J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

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

MINUTE FOR MISSION

S.C.O.T.S. Day

Anne LeClercq

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

“Alleluia”

K. Lee Scott (8:45)

*Katherine Clarkson, soprano*

“Christ is Our Cornerstone”

David Thorne (11:15)

*Kirk Choir*

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

One: God’s love was revealed among us in this way:

**All: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.**

One: In this love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

**All: Praise be the God that, while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.**

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

Hymn No. 457

PRAYER OF ADORATION

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, the demands of your righteousness are too hard for us to fulfill alone, so we rush off with this excuse and ignore your law. You forgive our iniquity and remember our sin no more, but we abuse this freedom as if it were a license to selfishness, self-indulgence, and self-righteousness. You give us the gift of grace: atonement in the blood of your Son, yet we make it cheap without serious repentance. Forgive us, O Lord, for the sins we know in our heart and save us from the sins we hide. 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

“In Christ Alone” (verse 3)

Stuart Townend

*There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;*

*Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!*

*And as He stands in victory, Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;*

*For I am His and He is mine - Bought with the precious blood of Christ.*

## THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

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

## TIME FOR TEENS

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Brad Morrison (8:45)

Jan Key (11:15)

## THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 18:20-33

(pew Bible, page 12)

New Testament Lesson: Hebrews 9:23-28

(pew Bible, page 975)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"WHY DID JESUS HAVE TO DIE?" The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

## THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### †THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (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

"How Great Thou Art"

Hymn No. 467

## 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

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

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Now the Green Blade Rises"

trad. French/arr. A. Bullard (8:45)

"Teach Me, O Lord"

Thomas Atwood (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

"Amen"

Livingston Gearhart (8:45)

"Alleluia, Amen"

K. Lee Scott (11:15)

### †POSTLUDE

"Jesus Christus, unser Heiland (BWV 626)"

J.S. Bach

## Genesis 18:20-33

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, “How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup>I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know.”

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” <sup>27</sup>Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” <sup>30</sup>Then he said, “Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” <sup>31</sup>He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” <sup>32</sup>Then he said, “Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.” <sup>33</sup>And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

## Hebrews 9:23-28

<sup>23</sup> Thus it was necessary for the sketches of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves need better sacrifices than these. <sup>24</sup> For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the holy place year after year with blood that is not his own, <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for 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 loving  
memory of his wife Suzanne by George Flynn.

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**CHRISTIAN LOVE & SYMPATHY** are extended to the family and friends of Barbara Gates, who passed  
away on Tuesday, April 4th.

A memorial service has been planned for Monday, April 17th at 2:00 p.m. in the Lilly Chapel.

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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 Graham Heller (8:45 a.m.) & Carol Rees (11:15 a.m.)

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### **ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY**

**GREETER (8:45 A.M.):** Anne Jackson

**GREETERS (11:15 A.M.):** Hayley Carter, Scott Evans

**COFFEE GREETER:** Lindsey Melville

**USHERS (8:45 A.M.):** Mikell Thaxton (Captain), Ryan Glenn, Walker Glenn, Carmen Glenn,  
David McCracken

**USHERS (11:15 A.M.):** Todd Plaxco (Captain), Barb Plaxco, John White, Sr., Andy Beall,  
Kathy Rhodes

**DEACONS (8:45 A.M.):** Danielle Hood (Lead Deacon), Sugar Slabaugh (Assist. Deacon)

**DEACONS (11:15 A.M.):** Elizabeth Riddle (Lead Deacon), Debbie Rice-Marko (Assist. Deacon)

**BEADLE (8:45 A.M.):** Graham Heller **BEADLE (11:15 A.M.):** Jay White

**LAY READER (8:45 A.M.):** Brad Morrison **LAY READER (11:15 A.M.):** Jan Key

**MEDIA MINISTRY:** Bob Dawson

**PASTOR ON CALL** (April 17 - April 23) - The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. (865-456-2235)

**ELDER ON CALL** (April 17 - April 23) – Jack Callahan (843-696-9512)

**DEACON ON CALL** (April 17 - April 23) – Ansley Feussner (843-513-2111)

Deanna Barteet, Church Administrator  
Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant  
Susan Cocallas, Administrative Assistant  
Rebecca McNeill, Communications and Volunteer Coordinator  
Linda Deeter, Administrative Assistant to the Pastors  
Alex Birrueta, Sexton  
Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant

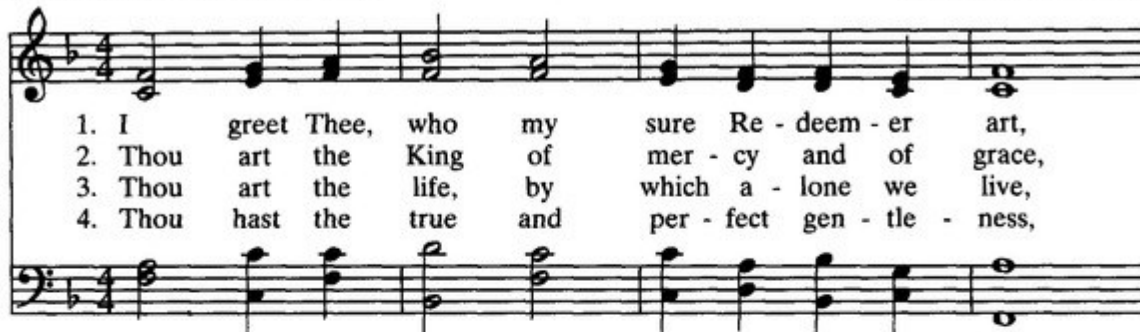
Daniel Sansone, Director of Music & Organist  
Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music  
Martha Harken, Interim Kindergarten Director  
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir  
Nancy Hunsicker, Food Services Director  
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator  
Ian Gancursio, Youth Ministry Coordinator

## 457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON 10.10.10.10

Attr. John Calvin  
 French Psalter, Strassburg, 1545  
 Trans. Elizabeth Lee Smith, 1868

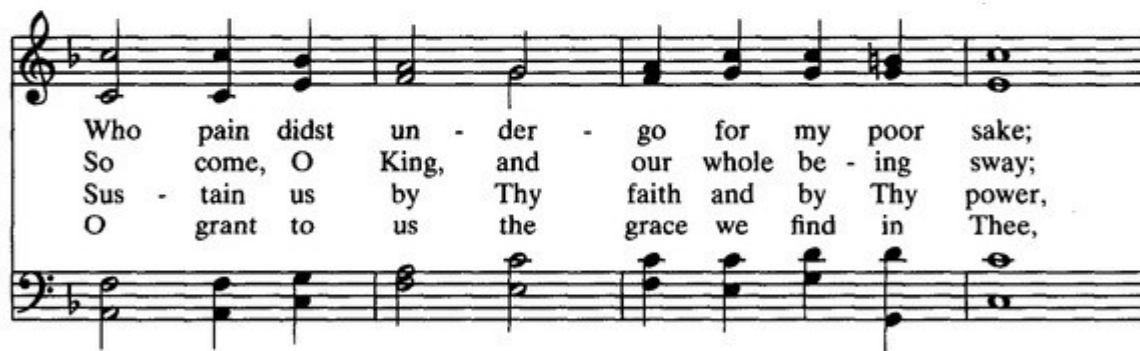
Adapt. from Genevan 124  
 Genevan Psalter, 1551



1. I greet Thee, who my sure Re - deem - er art,  
 2. Thou art the King of mer - cy and of grace,  
 3. Thou art the life, by which a - lone we live,  
 4. Thou hast the true and per - fect gen - tle - ness,



My on - ly trust and Sav - ior of my heart,  
 Reign - ing om - nip - o - tent in ev - ery place:  
 And all our sub - stance and our strength re - ceive;  
 No harsh - ness hast Thou and no bit - ter - ness:



Who pain didst un - der - go for my poor sake;  
 So come, O King, and our whole be - ing sway;  
 Sus - tain us by Thy faith and by Thy power,  
 O grant to us the grace we find in Thee,



I pray Thee from our hearts all cares to take.  
 Shine on us with the light of Thy pure day.  
 And give us strength in ev - ery try - ing hour.  
 That we may dwell in per - fect u - ni - ty.

5. Our hope is in no other save in Thee;  
 Our faith is built upon Thy promise free;  
 Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,  
 That in Thy strength we evermore endure.

## Hymn 467: “How Great Thou Art”

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;  
[Refrain]

3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin;  
[Refrain]


4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!  
[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



righ - 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 righ - 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





## 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.

**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. If you are able, please bring rakes, leaf blowers, and lawn bags. CYDC will provide some, but have a limited quantity.

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).

**Habitat for Humanity** - There are two volunteer opportunities with Habitat for Humanity. The first is one a construction site and the second is volunteering for ReStore, a nonprofit home improvement store and donation center that sells new and gently used furniture, home accessories, building materials, and appliances to the public at a fraction of the retail price and with no sales tax.

Volunteer activity: AM Construction Volunteer

Activity date/time: 4/22/2023 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Group Member Registration Url:

<https://tinyurl.com/FSConstruction>

Volunteer activity: AM ReStore Volunteer (Weekend)

Activity date/time: 4/22/2023 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Group Member Registration Url:

<https://tinyurl.com/FSReStore>

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## Marriage Enrichment Retreat

You are invited to a Marriage Enrichment Retreat led by Holton & Martha Ann Siegling and Danny & Tita Massie!

**Cost:** \$65.00 per couple includes workbooks and a dinner and lunch.

**When:** Friday, May 5th from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 6th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Where:** Sunrise Presbyterian Church on Sullivan's Island

**RSVP:** Call Mary Robinson, 843-722-8882, to register.

LIMITED to first 20 couples to sign up!



### Wednesday Chapel Service

Please join us for worship led on Wednesday, April 19th in the chapel at 5:30 p.m.

### Wednesday Night Supper!

Please make your reservation to Susan Cocallas (843-722-8882) in the church office by **NOON on Monday, April 17th** to give Chef Nancy time to prepare.

When you RSVP remember to include your children.

### Menu for April 19th:

Breakfast: French Toast, Bacon, Eggs

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) online giving or mailed to the church office. Hope to see you there!

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### Parents' Night Out

On Sunday, April 23rd from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. the high school and middle school youth of First (Scots) will be hosting a Parents' Night Out at the church for all children nursery age through fifth grade. There is no cost for children to attend and donations will not be accepted. Parents of children nursery age through fifth grade should reserve space using our Parents' Night Out SignUpGenius ([tinyurl.com/FSParentsNight23](https://tinyurl.com/FSParentsNight23)). Please include a parent name, an emergency phone number, the child's name, age, and anything special we should know (food allergies, physical limitations, etc.). A pizza supper will be provided, however, you are welcome to bring a different meal, if desired.

### We Want to Celebrate Our Graduates

Are you or is somebody else in your family graduating from high school, college, or graduate school?

If so, we'd love to celebrate this achievement.

Please submit graduate information by April 24th using the links below.

- High School Seniors - [tinyurl.com/FSHSGrad23](https://tinyurl.com/FSHSGrad23) (Please note that the annual High School Senior Recognition Sunday will be on April 30th at 11:15 a.m. During this worship service we will introduce and pray for our high school seniors, as well as do a special presentation of gifts.)
- College and Graduate School Students - [tinyurl.com/FSCollegeGrad23](https://tinyurl.com/FSCollegeGrad23)

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### Presbyterian Women Retreat

All First (Scots) Presbyterian Women are invited and encouraged to attend our annual Retreat, which will be held on Saturday, April 29th, from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Pavilion at Palmetto Presbyterian Church (1720 Carolina Park Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466).

Our theme is "Blessed Be the Tie", and we welcome the Rev. Dr. Jeri Parris Perkins, pastor of Johns Island Presbyterian Church, as our retreat leader.

The registration fee is \$35 and includes lunch. **Please RSVP by April 19th** by sending your check made out to "First (Scots) PW" to Anne Dukes, 80 Bull Street, Charleston, SC 29401.

### Presbyterian Women Birthday Luncheon - Save the Date

Mark your calendars! The Presbyterian Women's Birthday Luncheon will take place on Tuesday, May 9th! We will fellowship together while enjoying a delicious lunch, as well as a flower arranging workshop led by our very own Chris Bucknam of Country & Lace Florist. The cost is \$25 to attend.

For payment or to RSVP, please contact Janette Allen, 408-235-5135.

# **STILL TIME TO DONATE**

**DAILY DURING BUSINESS HOURS**

**FOR THE**

## **Youth Mission Auction and Sale**

**Donations Drop-off contact Linda Deeter**

**Large Donations Pick-up and Questions Call Mark Zuraw 843-822-3470**

<b>SUGGESTIONS</b>
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Antiques	Kitchen Items
Art Supplies	Ladies Purses & Hats
Baby Sitting	Lamps
Baked Goods (sweets and savory)	Legal Services
Bicycles	Organ & Piano Lessons
Boats & Water sports items	Original Art
Bric-a-Brac	Party Services
China	Professional Services
Computer Services	Un-Opened Perfume & Cologne
Crystal	Restaurant Gift Certificate
Decorating items	Rugs
DVD & CD	Sports Equipment
Furniture	Sports Tickets
Frozen Casseroles	Store Gift Certificates
Garden Items	Tools
Harbor Tours	Toys
Jewelry	Tutoring and Lessons
	Vacation Rentals

**Please remember, all items should be in  
good condition!**

**No clothes, large appliances, guns, VCR items,  
books, large exercise equipment or sofas**

**MARK THE DATE MAY 3<sup>TH</sup> ON YOUR CALENDAR**

**SUPPER, SILENT AUCTION, LIVE AUCTION**

**CASH & CARRY ROOM**

**\*DOOR PRIZES \***

**\$250 Dining Out Gift Card & \$200 Target Gift Card**