FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MAY 21, 2023 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M. SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE "Allein Gott in der Höh sei Her (BWV 716)" J.S. Bach (1685-1750) WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. MINUTE FOR MISSION 1731 Legacy Fund **Bill Prewitt †PASSING OF THE PEACE**

INTROIT

"When Morning Guilds the Skies" Katherine Clarkson, soprano "O Praise the Lord, Be Joyful"

LAUDES DOMINI (8:45)

Handel/arr. Hopson (11:15)

Kirk Choir

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel

One: We are witnesses to the life of Jesus Christ: written in the Law, promised by the prophets, sung by the Psalmist,

- All: given in love for the world, risen from the dust of death, and lifted in heavenly glory.
- One: Let our lives proclaim Christ's life!

All: Let our worship bless God's holy name!

*H***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Hymn No. 155

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord, we are impatient! We rush our very lives and then wonder why our spirits are exhausted and depressed. Slow us down, Lord. Help us to enjoy the process of waiting for the wondrous things you offer us. Let us feel the power and beauty of praising you and singing your praises. Help us to overcome those traits which pull us away from you and from appreciating all that you have done for us. As we listen to the scriptures this day in which the disciples witnessed Jesus' ascension to you, let our hearts be at peace knowing that you have taught us what we need to know to serve God joyfully in this world. Inspire us and give us delight for what is to come. 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

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" (verse 1)

Oliver Holden

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

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

TIME FOR TEENS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 47 New Testament Lesson: Luke 24:44-53 Haylea Shuman (8:45) Bob Dawson (11:15) (pew Bible, page 450)

(pew Bible, page 861)

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

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN" The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

+THE APOSTLE'S 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	"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"	Hymn No. 145
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: O risen God,

All: fill us with your power.

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	"Love Ye the Lord"	G.F. Handel (8:45)
	"In My Father's House"	Philip W. Stopford (11:15)
	"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings F od, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all cro a above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and P	eatures here below;
†P RAYER OF DEDICATION		
†Hymn of Commitment	"Crown Him with Many Crowns"	Hymn No. 151
†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION	N ,	The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr
†Benediction Response	"Amen" "Amen"	Claude Debussy (8:45) Franz Joseph Haydn (11:15)
†Postlude	"Fanfare"	Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

Psalm 47

¹ Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.
² For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.
³ He subdued peoples under us and nations under our feet.

⁴He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves. *Selah*

⁵ God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
⁷ For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.^[a]

⁸ God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.
⁹ The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham.
For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.

Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is b to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses^[2] of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised, so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.^[d] ⁵² And they worshiped him and^[e] returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and they were continually in the temple^[f] blessing God.^[g]

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 John Chrisman Hawk, Jr. from the children and grandchildren of John & Nancy Hawk.

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FOLLOWING THE 11:15 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE all are invited to the sanctuary portico for a time of fellowship and to welcome the new members. Light refreshments will be served.

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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.

Today's docents are Nonie Crosby (8:45 a.m.) and 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.): Bob Dawson, Mark Zuraw

COFFEE GREETER: Chantal Byrne

USHERS (8:45 A.M.): Whit Smith (Captain), Anne Smith, Bob Nutley, Mary Peters

USHERS (11:15 A.M.): Jim Buckley (Captain), Harvey Mason, Evan Biles, Anne Dukes, Tap Gresham, Meredith Mason

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

DEACONS (11:15 A.M.): Ann Anderson (Lead Deacon), Courtney Buxton (Assist. Deacon)

BEADLE (8:45 A.M.): Whit Smith BEADLE (11:15 A.M.): Matt Johnson

LAY READER (8:45 A.M.): Haylea Shuman LAY READER (11:15 A.M.): Bob Dawson

PASTOR ON CALL (May 22 - May 28) - The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. (865-456-2235)

ELDER ON CALL (May 22 - May 28) – Matt Spath (843-324-5990)

DEACON ON CALL (May 22 - May 28) – Meredith Mason (843-388-3458)

Revelation 1:18



Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL'S 148TH 6.6.6.8.8



This tune in a higher key and without descant, 430

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Alternate tune: VINEYARD HAVEN, 146



Thank You Teachers!

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you. ~Proverbs 32:8. Thank you to all who were a part of our Christian Education Ministry this past year! Your contributions of time and leadership have impacted children, youth and adults in their faith journey and is deeply appreciated by all the congregation.

We also thank Andrew Ward and his dedicated staff and volunteers for their care of our youngest children in the nurseries. As you see these members, please extend your own thanks for their service.

Thank you all for sharing God's love in this special way.

With gratitude, Linda Stout (Chair of Christian Education Committee)

Bob and Pam Arnett, Jenks and Steve Bailey, Barbara Buckley, Bob Baldwin, Margaret Bouch,

Courtney Buxton, Chantal Byrne, Rebecca Calhoun, Rebecca Compton, Richard Daehler-Wilking,

Tracey and Dan Daniel, Hunter and Will Dawson, Anne and Bob Dukes, Louisa Dunn, Ruthie Edwards, Ansley Feussner, Jill Fitzhenry, Ali Frick and Byron Frick, Tap and Legare Gresham, Christina Goodear,

Chris and Fran Hawk, Robert and Britton Hawk, Mary Katherine Henderson, Amy Hider, Ellen Holt,

Martha Jane Hudnall, Anne and Lanier Jackson, Rebecca Johnson, Ginger Liner, Betsy Martin,

Debbie Rice-Marko, Tita Massie, Jane and John McNeill, JoJo Maudlin, Margaret McCormack,

 Clarissa and Greg McKenzie, Laura Mitchell, Renee and Wilson Pickren, Carol Rees, Mary Robinson, James Rogers, Holton and Martha Ann Siegling, Amy Shubert, Catie Smith, Linda Stout,
 Emily and David Topham, Margaret Todd Truluck, Dorothy and Mikel Thaxton, Pam and J-Bo Wall,
 Emily and Philip Warr, Denee and David Warren, Helen Watson, Janet White, Tricia and Adam Yount.



Congregational Luncheon

Please join us for a luncheon on Sunday, May 28th celebrating Ricard Bordas' 20th anniversary at First (Scots) and to send Dr. Siegling off on his sabbatical!

The luncheon will take place in Molly Wier Hall following the 10:00 a.m. service. No RSVP needed.



Mark Your Calendars!

Wednesday, May 17th was the last Wednesday Night Supper and Chapel until Fall 2023.

The last day of Sunday School for all ages will be Sunday, May 21st.

We will be moving to a single Sunday service at 10:00 a.m. beginning on Sunday, May 28th.



Volunteers Needed!

The First (Scots) Media Ministry is looking for a few volunteers to assist with live streaming on Sundays. Training is available for those interested.

You do not have to be an electronic guru, and the time commitment is minimal! Questions or interested in volunteering? Please contact Rebecca McNeill, rmcneill@first-scots.org.



Thank You from the Dillons

Rob and Shary Dillon wish to thank the entire congregation of First (Scots) Church for the love, prayer, sympathy, and support with which we have been blessed over the long hospitalization and ultimate triumph of our son, Bryan.

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."



End of the School Year Party

To celebrate the end of the school year, the high school and middle school youth are spending time at the Charleston Aqua Park (3050 Marlin Rd, at Trophy Lakes, Johns Island, SC 29455) today from 3:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.! Participants can sign up to experience the Aqua Park (3:20 p.m. - 4:05 p.m.) or Ropes Course (3:40 p.m. - 4:25 p.m.) before enjoying a picnic supper by the lake. Or, if they choose, participants can experience both features by booking the Sunday, May 21st Aqua Park (3:20 p.m. - 4:05 p.m.) and Ropes Course (4:20 p.m. - 5:05 p.m.) sessions. Parents, there are picnic benches and beach chairs on the side of the lake for spectators and know that you are more than welcome to join us for the picnic supper.

Want to participate?

Reserve and pay for your Sunday, May 21st Aqua Park (3:20 p.m. - 4:05p.m.) or Ropes Course (3:40 p.m. -4:25 p.m.) session on the Aqua Park Website (charlestonaquapark.com). Participants can experience both features by booking the Sunday, May 21st Aqua Park (3:20 p.m. - 4:05 p.m.) and Ropes Course (4:20 p.m. -5:05 p.m.) sessions. Please note that participants must be at least 18 years or older to sign their own release of liability. For participants 17 and younger, a legal guardian aged 18 years or older must sign, and should be present during check-in. Please do not forget to bring a valid ID.

Let James Rogers (jrogers@first-scots.org) know you are planning to attend, so we can make sure we have a completed First (Scots) permission form on file (tinyurl.com/FSYouthPermission) and prepare your supper.

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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. Snacks and lunch will be served daily. 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 4 K - Rising 5th Grade

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

Registration deadline is June 6, 2023.