

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MAY 28, 2023 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

DAY OF PENTECOST

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Praeludium in C Major”

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

(May the beginning of the prelude serve as an invitation to silent meditation and prayer.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

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

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

“I Will Fill This House with Glory”

Eric Thiman

Kirk Choir and friends

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. James T. Rogers

One: In the last days it shall come to pass that God’s Spirit is poured out on all flesh.

All: Sons and daughters shall prophesy, young men shall see visions and old men shall dream dreams.

One: On the captives, both men and women, God’s Spirit will be poured out and they shall prophesy.

All: Let us call upon the name of the Lord, who alone has given us salvation.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Hymn No. 466

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, you poured out your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit” (verse 1)

African-American spiritual

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke,

Out of God’s mouth came fire and smoke.

Looked all around me, it looked so fine,

Till I asked my Lord if all was mine.

(Refrain)

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nancy Edwards

THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: 1 Kings 19:9-18

(pew Bible, page 284)

New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

(pew Bible, page 885)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"ENDURING SACRIFICE"

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.

SABBATICAL COMMISSIONING OF THE REV. DR. L. HOLTON SIEGLING, JR.

Sabbatical Blessing (unison)

Almighty God, draw our hearts to you. Guide our minds and fill our imaginations. Control our wills so that we may be wholly yours. Use us as always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Spirit"

Hymn No. 319

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Coile Estes

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

"When in Our Music God is Glorified" C.V. Stanford/arr. Mark Hayes

Please see the back of the bulletin for text

†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

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

Hymn No. 341

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"A Gaelic Blessing"

John Rutter

†POSTLUDE

"Komm Gott, Schöpfer, heiliger Geist"

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

1 Kings 19:9-18

⁹ At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁰ He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.”

Elijah Meets God at Horeb

¹¹ He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake, ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁴ He answered, “I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.” ¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷ Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

Acts 2:1-21

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

Peter Addresses the Crowd

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews^[a] and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ ‘In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit,
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

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 celebration of their son Leland's 11th birthday today by Amelia & Jay White.

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FOLLOWING TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE you are invited to join us in Molly Wier Hall for a Con-
gregational Luncheon celebrating Ricard Bordas' 20th anniversary with First (Scots) and to send Dr.
Siegling off on his sabbatical. No reservations necessary.

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ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETERS: Greg Jones, Bob Hurd

COFFEE GREETER: Meredith Mason

USHERS: Matt Spath (Captain), Susannah Spath, Bob Nutley, George Flynn

DEACONS: Courtney Buxton (Lead Deacon), John Robinson (Assist. Deacon)

BEADLE: Wade Davis

LAY READER: Nancy Edwards

MEDIA MINISTRY: Matt Bucknam

PASTOR ON CALL (May 29 - June 4) - Mrs. Mary B. Robinson (843-872-1527)

ELDER ON CALL (May 29 - June 4) – Tom Johnson (908-295-3260)

DEACON ON CALL (May 29 - June 4) – Margaret Ann Pearson (843-864-9341)

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“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

Alleluia! When in our music God is glorified,

And adoration leaves no room for pride,

It is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found

A new dimension in the world of sound,

As worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!

So has the church, in liturgy and song,

In faith and love, through centuries of wrong,

Borne witness to the truth in every tongue: Alleluia!

And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night

When utmost evil strove against the light?

Then let us sing, for whom He won the fight: Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise!

Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!

And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

Hymn #466: “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of God's grace!

2 Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

3 Christ breaks the power of reigning sin,
And sets the prisoner free;
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean,
Christ's blood availed for me.

4 My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

Hymn #319: "Spirit"

Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters, You called to the deep,
Then You coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep,
And over the eons You called to each thing,
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."

Refrain

2. You swept through the desert, You stung with the sand,
And You gifted your people with a law and a land,
And when they were blinded with their idols and lies,
Then You spoke through Your prophets to open their eyes.

Refrain

3. You sang in a stable, You cried from a hill,
Then You whispered in silence when the whole world was still,
And down in the city You called once again
When You blew through Your people on the rush of the wind.

Refrain

4. You call from tomorrow, You break ancient schemes,
From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams;
Our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,
With bold new decisions Your people arise.

Hymn #341: “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

1 Blessed assurance: Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. (Refrain)

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with His goodness, lost in His love. (Refrain)



Schedule and Calendar Updates

We will begin our summer schedule today, Sunday, May 28th and will worship together with one 10:00 a.m. service through the Sunday prior to Labor Day, September 3rd.

There will be no Sunday School during the summer schedule.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

Beginning next Sunday, June 4th, in lieu coffee hour, lemonade and cookies will be served on the portico following the service for the duration of the summer (June 4th - September 3rd).

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Fun and Faith Events for Kids, Summer 2023

Dr. Siegling is taking a sabbatical this summer! Let's connect his experiences with our elementary kids and our First (Scots) heritage. Join us for some fun events!

Sunday, June 11th (5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Bring a parent or grandparent and explore your family history!

Sunday, July 9th and Sunday, August 13th (5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Celebrate the birthday of the church and our Scottish heritage (children only).

Sunday, September 17th (3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

Wrap up our summer events with an ice cream party at the beach!

Please email the Rev. Tracey Daniel, tdaniel@first-scots.org to sign up for any or all events.

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First (Scots) Habitat for Humanity Faith Build Dedication

Charleston Habitat for Humanity invites you to a home dedication celebrating Breanna on Tuesday, June 13th at 10:30 a.m. at 1906 Redwood Street, Charleston, SC.

The First (Scots) Habitat for Humanity Faith Build team played a significant role in the construction of this home, and we hope you will join us to celebrate this accomplishment for Breanna and First (Scots)!

“Having a home would help provide my children with a more secure and better quality living environment. I’m so excited for the opportunity to partner with Charleston Habitat for Humanity. I feel like a new chapter in my life is beginning and it’s all thanks to this program.”

— Breanna, Future Homeowner





Sing with the Summer Choir!

Love to sing but haven't been able to commit to the Kirk Choir Wednesdays rehearsals? Join the Summer Choir!

No choir robes needed, no Wednesday rehearsal, and a very easy repertoire! You do not have to commit to come every Sunday! Just come to the choir room at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday for a short rehearsal.

The Summer Choir meets during the months of **June and August** until Labor Day weekend.

We hope to see you there!

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Holy Land Pilgrimage with Dorchester Presbyterian Church

Dorchester Presbyterian Church in Summerville will be making a Holy Land Pilgrimage this fall, from October 9th - 20th, 2023. They have opened this trip to the Charleston community and are looking for five more pilgrims but can accept up to an additional fifteen.

If you were unable to go on the First (Scots) Holy Land trip this past February, this is a wonderful opportunity to explore the Holy Land!

A link for additional information and sign-up can be found in the Kirk News.

The deadline to register is July 1st, 2023.

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L'Organo 2023 - Piccolo Spoleto

First (Scots) is thrilled to be a part of L'Organo 2023, a series of organ recitals across the Charleston area, which takes place from May 29th - June 9th!

All recitals are free and open to the public. Two recitals are scheduled to take place at First (Scots):

Lee Kohlenberg

Monday, June 5, 2023

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church

10:00 a.m.

Anthony Williams

Thursday, June 8, 2023

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church

10:00 a.m.

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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!

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.