

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church 2024 Stewardship Commitment

Dear Friends,

Annual stewardship is an opportunity for spiritual growth as we endeavor to glorify God with our gifts. The experience concentrates on the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development as we ask ourselves what is God calling me to do.

Each Stewardship Commitment Season provides an opportunity for us as a church family to prioritize our giving as we rededicate and reaffirm our commitment to discipleship in Christ. It is also a season to celebrate and highlight our annual giving and the growth of First (Scot's) outreach both in Charleston and around the world.

The membership of First (Scots) has a legacy of dedicated giving and the Stewardship Committee thanks you for this unwavering support. These gifts of time, talent, recourses, and treasure have allowed for expansive outreach of First (Scot's) coordinated ministry even in the face of new and often changing obstacles. As members of First (Scots), your prior devotion to stewardship has funded the church's commitment to numerous Christian education programs for all ages within First (Scots). These annual gifts have ensured the maintenance of our historic sanctuary and property. Most importantly your yearly pledges have spread Christ's gospel and changed lives locally in Charleston at One80 Place, Habitat for Humanity, and Star Gospel Mission while at the same time ministering around the world to places like The Lamb Institute, Water Missions International, and the Bill Rice Medical Clinic in Haiti.

Our beloved church now enters another Stewardship Season. During this time let us reflect on the truth that every good work and each generous gesture, whether material or spiritual, will result in a great reward when carried out by the enabling power of the Holy Spirit with a good and generous attitude. Paul addresses this truth of stewardship perfectly in his letters to the Corinthians.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Therefore, we are asking you to prayerfully consider making a Stewardship Commitment to First (Scots) for 2024. Furthermore, we encourage all members to participate in living a legacy of giving as we look into our hearts and consider growing our giving on an annual basis.

As in years past, and for those of you who are comfortable doing so, you can fill out and return the enclosed Commitment Card during the worship service on "Commitment Sunday", October 22nd. Alternatively, you may mail your Commitment Card to the church using the enclosed envelope or you can make your commitment online at first-scots.org/stewardship. You do not have to make a gift at the same time as your pledge, and you may choose to pay your pledge monthly, quarterly, annually, or however is most convenient to you.

Please do not hesitate to contact one or both of us with any questions or concerns you may have. Thank you in advance for considering your 2022-2023 Stewardship commitment to First (Scots) and, on behalf of the entire Stewardship Committee, please know how grateful we are for your prior and continued support to First (Scots).

Sincerely,

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