

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

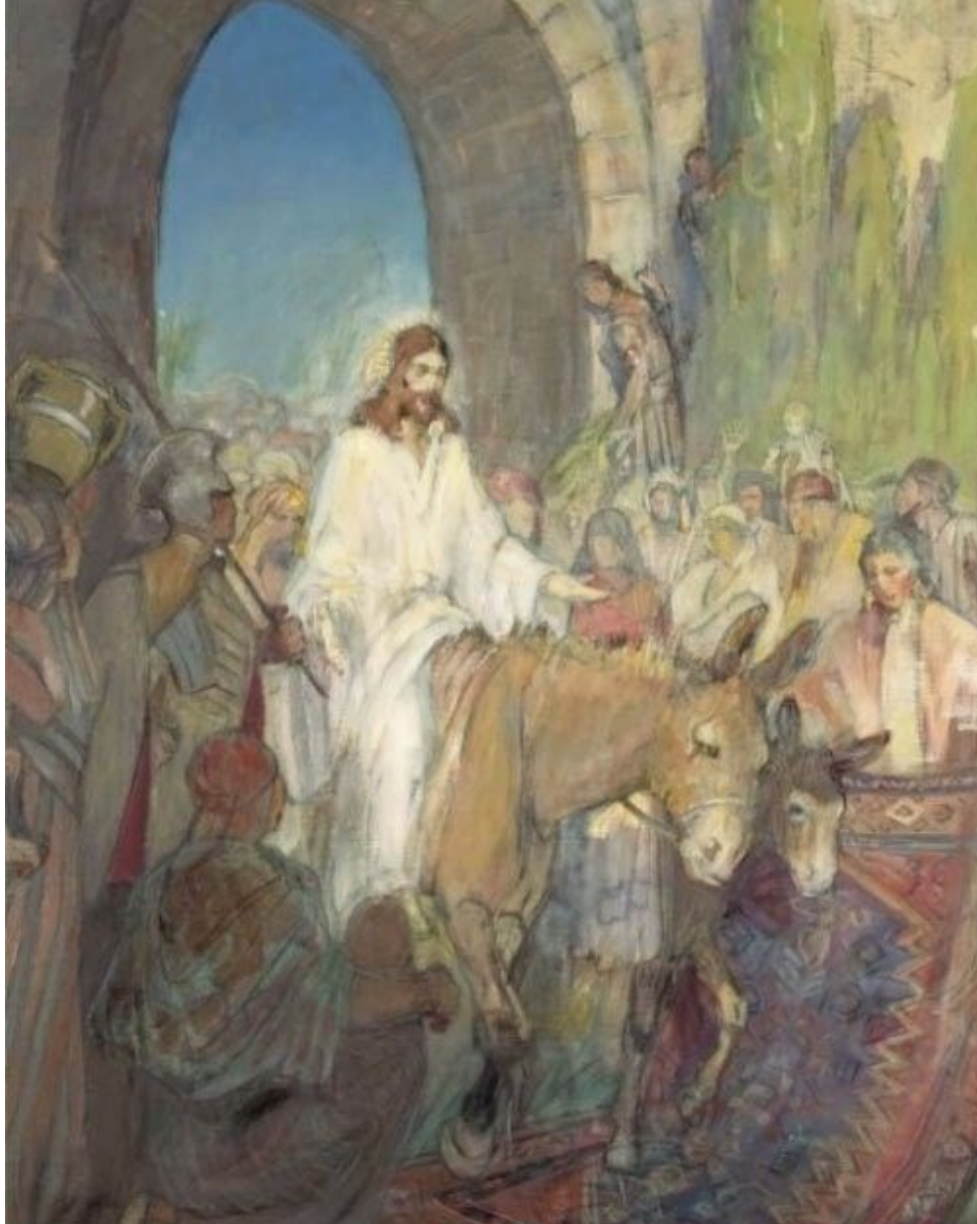
53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 24, 2024 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.



THE REV. DR. L. HOLTON SIEGLING, JR.
SENIOR PASTOR

THE REV. DR. JAMES T. ROGERS
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

THE REV. DR. DANIEL W. MASSIE
PASTOR EMERITUS

PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

Serving God in Charleston and the world

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SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M. SERVICES

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

J. Wayne Kerr

(May the beginning of the prelude serve as a call to silent meditation and prayer.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

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

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Auction Fundraiser Donations

James Rogers (8:45)

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Charlie Gresham (11:15)

CHORAL INTROIT

“Hosanna to the Son of David”

David Halls

Katherine Clarkson, soprano, Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45)

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary Robinson

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

All: **Hosanna in the highest!**

One: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

All: **Worship the Living God, O daughter of Jerusalem!**

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Hymn No. 89

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, today Jesus entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Forgive us, O Lord, when our lives fail to resemble that joy! Forgive us when we do not follow him and fail to recognize the way of the cross. Get us up and moving, Merciful God, and inspire us to live bold and courageous lives; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, both now and forever more. 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

†CHILDREN'S HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!”

Hymn No. 142 (verse 1 & 4)

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!

O that with yonder sacred throng, we at His feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

THE WORD ENACTED

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:15)

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jeffrey Yost (8:45)

Julie Cannell (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

(pew Bible, page 492)

New Testament: Mark 11:1-11

(pew Bible, page 823)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

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

“FROM PALM BRANCHES TO AN EMPTY TOMB”

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, died, 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

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Hymn No. 438

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

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

“Amazing Grace”

Marianne Forman (8:45)

“Let This Mind Be In You”

Craig Courtney (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

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Hymn No. 88

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“O Lord, Seek Us”

K. Lee Scott

†POSTLUDE

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

Robin Dinda

Join us for the events of Holy Week!

Maundy Thursday, March 28 ~ Communion Service with “The Last Supper” Dramatization at 7 p.m.

Good Friday, March 29 ~ Stations of the Cross at noon at the Battery Gazebo

Easter Sunday, March 31 ~ Sunrise Service at 6:45 a.m. at the Battery

The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered during the 11:15 a.m. service to **Anne Reese Rushing (Reese)**, daughter of **Donnie Ray Rushing, Jr.** and **Lesslie Taylor Rushing**. **Reese** will be baptized by **The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.**, assisted by **Pastor Mary Robinson** and **Elder Ruthie Edwards** will assist.

FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are in celebration of the wedding of Katherine Anderson & Gerrit Sharpe VanBenschoten on Saturday, March 23. Congratulations!

OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP EXTENDS BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE SANCTUARY

in the form of video recording and live streaming. Your presence with us today signifies consent to the possibility that your image may be included as part of our media broadcast.

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 John Robinson (8:45 a.m.) and Karen Prewitt (11:15 a.m.).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 a.m. GREETER: John Marko, Jr. **11:15 a.m. GREETERS:** Tita Massie, Elizabeth Riddle

COFFEE GREETER: Mayrelle Semken

8:45 a.m. USHERS: Whit Smith (Captain), Anne Smith, John Metcalf, Haylea Shuman, Mary Peters

11:15 a.m. USHERS: Todd Plaxco (Captain), Barb Plaxco, Greg McKenzie, Andy Beall, Jane McNeill, Chase McNair

8:45 a.m. DEACONS: Michelle Parks (Lead Deacon), Karen Danielowski

11:15 a.m. DEACONS: Karen Danielowski (Lead Deacon), Margaret Ann Pearson

8:45 a.m. BEADLE: Regina Yost **11:15 a.m. BEADLE:** Jack Callahan

8:45 a.m. LAY READER: Jeffrey Yost **11:15 a.m. LAY READER:** Julie Cannell

ELDER ON CALL (March 25 – March 31 – Jane McNeill (843) 693-2156

DEACON ON CALL (March 25 – March 31) – Lindsey Melville (908) 803-6505

PASTOR ON CALL (March 25 – March 31) – The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers (843) 513-3717



The Reverend Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr., Senior Pastor
The Reverend Dr. James T. Rogers, Associate Pastor
Pastor Mary Robinson, Commissioned Lay Pastor



Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music
Katherine Clarkson, Kirk Choristers Director
Scarlett Crawford, Church Administrator
Jennifer Cromwell, Kindergarten Director
Linda Deeter, Administrative Assistant to the Pastors
Karen Kuhn, Administrative Assistant

Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant
Chris Silva, Communications Coordinator
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director
Dr. Anthony Williams, Organist and Director of Music

WELCOME TO FIRST (SCOTS)

Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt and Luncheon

Following the 11:15 service, children 4 and under will meet outside the playground gate (near the Kirk House), and children 5 and older will meet in the memorial garden (to the left of the sanctuary as you exit. Please wait for instructions before the hunt. The luncheon begins immediately after the 11:15 service in Molly Wier Hall.

Join us for fun, fun, and fellowship!



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women April Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 2, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 202 of the Massie Building.

For more information, please contact Debbie Rice-Marko.

Presbyterian Women's Retreat - All Women of First (Scots)

Spring is the perfect time to refresh our faith. Bring a friend and come explore Resurrection Life in the gospels with other women of faith. Even when life is challenging, Jesus comes alongside us and shows us the way to a hope that doesn't disappoint. Through Bible study and reflection, and sisterhood and laughter, Resurrection Life can transform every day.

Coffee, pastries, lunch, and childcare included, and you might take home a door prize!

Presbyterian Woman's Retreat - Resurrection Life

Speaker - The Rev. Ansley B. Page from First Presbyterian - Spartanburg

Saturday, April 13, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Molly Wier Hall

Register by April 1 to Betsy Middleton at epmiddleton230@gmail.com.

Send payment of \$40/person payable to First (Scots) PW to

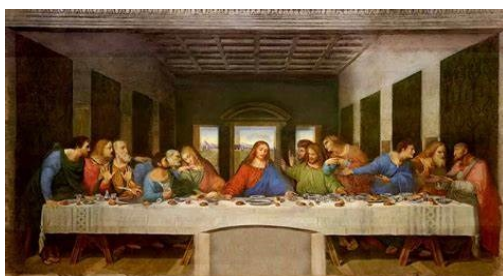
Anne Dukes

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Charleston, SC 29401

Childcare is available. Contact Laura Beall at laurabeall77@gmail.com and specify number and ages of children.

Maundy Thursday Service



Join us on Thursday, March 27, at 7 p.m. for the Maundy Thursday worship service with communion. Leonardo da Vinci's most famous painting is the inspiration for a living dramatization of Jesus' "Last Supper" with his disciples before his betrayal, trial, and death on the cross.

Youth Group Calendar Updates

Because of two special churchwide events, we've cancelled the previously scheduled youth group events on the dates below so that youth and youth advisors can be a part of these churchwide events. Also, check out our updated High School Youth Group and Middle School Youth Group calendars.

Sunday, March 24: Church Fellowship Lunch & Egg Hunt (12:15 p.m.; meet in Molly Wier Hall) – Youth are invited to help hide Easter eggs during the Sunday school hour (10-11 a.m.)

Sunday, May 19: Volunteer Celebration Block Party (11 a.m.-1 p.m.; meet in Molly Wier Hall) – Youth are invited to prepare an ice cream sundae bar and lead bingo as a part of this event.

St. Patrick's Day Lunch

Last Sunday, along with the Presbyterian Women, our high school and middle school youth hosted a special St. Patrick's Day lunch for some of the eldest members of the church. From the delicious lunch to the table decorations to the conversation to the trivia game, it was a special day! What a blessing it is to be the Body of Christ with those who are older and younger than us. Check out photos from the event. (tinyurl.com/y5ruf8z7)



20th Annual First (Scots) Fellowship Golf Tournament

Monday, April 1, 2024, First (Scots) is holding their 20th annual Golf Tournament at the **Charleston Municipal Golf Course**, located at **2110 Maybank Highway**. Check-in starts at 8:30 a.m. with the event beginning at 9 a.m.

All proceeds benefit the youth summer mission trips.



Easter Morning Butterfly Release

On Easter morning, March 31, we will celebrate new life with our butterfly release at 10:55 a.m. in the graveyard. Don't miss this wonderful moment!

1731 Legacy Society

Decide what kind of legacy you will leave. The 1731 Legacy Fund Committee can tell you about several options that will help you support what matters most to you. You can contact Bill Prewitt directly (843) 620-0158.



Every Sunday, we provide children's activity bulletins (for ages 3-7 and 7+) on the back tables near the entrance to the sanctuary. These bulletins offer interesting age-appropriate activities for children and correspond to the special day. Today's activities highlight Palm Sunday. Please feel free to share these with our youngsters. Thank you!

Welcome to First (Scots)

We welcome Chris Silva to the First (Scots) Church family. Chris is our new communications coordinator. He has a background in media services, marketing, and design. He looks forward to meeting you, so stop by, introduce yourself, and say hello!

His email is communications@first-scots.org.

In light of Holy Week, there are a few events which will not meet this week. Tuesday Men's Bible Study and Breakfast, Wednesday Night Taizé and Supper, and Thursday Table Talk will resume April 2.

The church office and school will be closed on Monday, April 1, for the Easter Holiday.