

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 3, 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
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8:45 A.M. & 11:15 A.M. SERVICES

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Air”

Gerre Hancock

(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.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“Thou Knowest, Lord”

Henry Purcell

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

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

One: Through your prophet Malachi, we hear the voice crying out, announcing the coming of the Lord, a refining fire, purifying like silver and gold.

All: May we embrace your refining fire, O God, for we are your people, vessels of your love, vessels of your grace.

One: Through your disciple John, we are reminded of the temple, a place of reverence, a sanctuary for the spirit, where Jesus overturned the tables, cleansing with righteous zeal.

All: Like the temple, may our hearts be purified, and our intentions be made clear, as we come before you in worship.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

Hymn No. 139

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious and Merciful God, we come before you with hearts heavy with the weight of our shortcomings; guilty are we for having allowed the distractions of the world to cloud our vision of your truth. Like the merchants in the temple, we have become preoccupied with worldly concerns. Be for us like a refiner's fire, that purity and holiness, compassion and love, would be for us a way of life. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer, 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

†CHILDREN'S HYMN

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Hymn 356 (verse 3)

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee:

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

THE WORD ENACTED

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:15 a.m.)

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Anne Smith (8:45)

Helen Ross (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Malachi 3:1-4

(pew Bible, page 778)

New Testament: John 2:13-22

(pew Bible, page 863)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"RECLAIMING HOLINESS"

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, 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**

"Be Thou My Vision"

Hymn No. 339

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

Pastor Mary Robinson

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

"The Lord's Prayer"

Albert Hay Malotte (8:45)

"Lamentations of Jeremiah"

Z. Randall Stroepe (11:15)

O you people, who pass this way, look and see if there exists any sorrow like unto my sorrow.

Remember, Lord, consider and notice our humiliation and disgrace!

†**DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn No. 592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all the creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

†**HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

Hymn No. 142

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE “The Lord Bless You and Keep You” Tschesnokoff/arr. Hal H. Hopson

†POSTLUDE “Allegro Maestoso - Fugue” Felix Mendelssohn

The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered during the 11:15 a.m. service to **Marion Elizabeth Zeigler**, born 9/27/23. **Marion** will be baptized by **The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.**, and **Elizabeth Riddle** will assist. **Marion** is the daughter of **Sanford Manning Zeigler** and **Susanna Stump Zeigler**.

FLOWERS: *The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of her father, Henry Miller Anderson, by Laura Anderson Moseley and Rod Moseley.*

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 Nonie Crosby (8:45 A.M.) and L.W. McAnally (11:15 A.M.).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 a.m. GREETER: Julianne Farnsworth **11:15 a.m. GREETERS:** Greg Jones, Bob George

COFFEE GREETER: Legare Gresham

8:45 a.m. USHERS: Matt Spath (Captain), Joe Thompson, Elizabeth Bernat, Ashley Nutley, Bob Nutley

11:15 a.m. USHERS: Jon Bolt (Captain), Keith Blake, Michael Bryan, Bob Ross, Helen Ross

8:45 a.m. DEACONS: Greg McKenzie (Lead Deacon), Lisle Henderson

11:15 a.m. DEACONS: Ginger Liner (Lead Deacon), Michelle Parks

8:45 a.m. BEADLE: J-Bo Wall **11:15 a.m. BEADLE:** Graham Heller

8:45 a.m. LAY READER: Anne Smith **11:15 a.m. LAY READER:** Helen Ross

ELDER ON CALL (March 4 - 10) - Lynn Graves (843) 270-6513

DEACON ON CALL (March 4 - 10) - Lindsey Melville (908) 803-6505

Media Ministry: Cathy Hill

PASTOR ON CALL: (March 4-10) - The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers (843) 513-3717

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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 Clarkston, Kirk Choristers Director
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Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
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Dr. Anthony Williams, Organist and Director of Music

WELCOME TO FIRST (SCOTS)



1731 Legacy Society Update

Many generous donors have created a gift that will benefit our church for many years to come by including First (Scots) Church in their estate plan. By adding a few specific words to your will, you too can make a gift to the church.

Third Wednesday in Lent

The third Wednesday Lenten service will be hosted **March 6** here at **First (Scots) Presbyterian Church**, located at **Noon**.

A sermon will be given by the
Rev. Anthony Thompson.

We will host the complimentary
lunch that follows.

Please call Scarlett in the church
office if you would like to help.

walk
for water
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On **Saturday, March 23, 2024**, First (Scots) is joining the Water Mission Walk for Water to help bring safe water to those in need. The event takes place at Riverfront Park in Charleston at **9:00 a.m.** Our First (Scots) team is the “Wee Drams.”

We would love to have you join us.

The first 30 people to sign up get their spots free
with the First (Scots) sponsorship!

You can register by scanning the QR code, or by
calling Scarlett Crawford in the church office at (843) 722-8882.

If you can't walk with us, please consider a donation to Water Mission to
support our team. Together, we can help change
15,000 lives with safe and Living Water!

Easter Flower Order Form

Given by _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Number of Flowers: Easter Lily ____ Geranium ____ Hydrangea ____



Flowers are \$25 each and may be taken home after the 11:15 a.m. service on March 31. Attach cash or check and deliver to the church office. Include “Easter Flowers” on check memo. Deadline for ordering is March 24.

Presbyterian Women Board Meeting

The next Presbyterian Women Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 5 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 202 of the Massie Building. For additional information, please contact Debbie Rice-Marko, (843) 367-8089 or dricemarko@gmail.com.

Presbyterian Women March Circle Meetings

The Women at the Well Circle:

Where: **The home of Hayley Carter**

When: **Thursday, March 7 at 6:30 p.m.**

For more information contact **Tori Bohren** at vs.bohren@gmail.com.

The Betty Noble Circle:

Where: **The home of Ann Anderson**

When: **Thursday, March 12 at 9:30 a.m.**

For more information contact **Teresa Tarrant** at teresatarrant@aol.com.

The Unbroken Circle:

Where: **The home of Susan Eisenhauer**

When: **Tuesday, March 12 at 10 a.m.**

For more information, contact **Julie Cannell** at jmcannell@aol.com.

Seekers Circle March Meeting:

Where: **The portico at First (Scots)**

When: **March 6 prior to the noon Lenten service**

For more information, contact **Anne Dukes** at dukesanne62@gmail.com or (843) 577-0479.



Save the Date for Presbyterian Women's Retreat

Please save Saturday morning April 13 for the Presbyterian Women's Retreat to take place in Molly Wier Hall. Our speaker will be Rev. Ansley Page from First Presbyterian Church in Spartanburg, SC.

Easter Eggs Needed!

An Easter Egg Hunt for all children will be Palm Sunday, March 24, immediately following the 11:15 a.m. service. You can help by donating stuffed Easter eggs to the Christian Education office by Wednesday, March 20. No chocolate, please.

A church-wide potluck luncheon will follow. Please bring foods based on your last initial.

A - H: Vegetable

J - Q: Starch

R - Z: Dessert

Stay tuned for more information about our Palm Sunday festivities, including the Easter egg hunt and church-wide luncheon!



Maryville College Choir Spring Tour Concert

A choral concert will be held **Thursday, March 7**, at **6 p.m.** at the **Village at Summerville** located at 201 W 9th N St, Summerville, and **Friday, March 8**, at **6 p.m.** at **2nd Presbyterian Church** located at 342 Meeting St, Charleston.

This talented choir will sing "Songs of Hope," emphasizing the full spectrum of the human experience, from dark to light, according to choir director, Stacey Wilner.

Maryville College is a Presbyterian affiliated college near the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Our middle school youth hold their youth conference at Maryville College each summer.

Stephen Ministers - Who Are They?

A Stephen Minister provides one-to-one care to individuals facing life challenges or other difficulties. First (Scots) has nearly 20 ministers.

Current Stephen Minister team leaders are:

Tom Slabaugh (859) 221-5069

Anne Smith (843) 817-1337

Matt Spath (843) 324-5990

Please reach out to one of them if you would like to visit with a caring friend.

More information on about the Stephen Ministers can be found in the weekly Kirk News.



Taizé Worship

You are invited to our candlelight Taizé and communion service on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Lilly Chapel.

Taizé is a simple, meditative service of Christian prayer, song, and contemplation. Through the community's ecumenical outlook, they encourage worshippers to live in the spirit of kindness, simplicity and reconciliation.

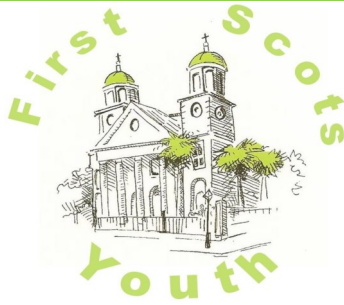
Wednesday Night Supper



Call the church office or email Karen Kuhn at kkuhn@first-scots.org to RSVP, or scan the QR code to RSVP and/or pay online through E-giving.

Deadline for reservation is Monday, March 4 at noon.

This week's Wednesday Night Dinner menu: Baked Ziti or Ravioli Lasagna, Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread, and Sherbet



We Escaped the 1980s!

Last Sunday our middle school youth and advisors experienced two escape rooms at Escape in 60: After Hours and The Egyptian Chamber. Both groups worked together to solve puzzles in hopes of getting out. In the After Hours room, the middle school boys even learned how to use a View-Master. Afterwards everyone enjoyed an ice cream treat from Off Track. Special thanks to youth advisors Chris & Matt Bucknam and Dorothy Thaxton for their help with this event. And congratulations, Charlie!

Youth Group, March 3 from 5-7 p.m.

Blessing Bags for Those Experiencing Homelessness:

The high school youth and Chiapas Mission Team are putting together blessing bags for members of our community experiencing homelessness. Youth and adults are invited to review the Blessing Bags SignUpGenius and sign up to bring items on March 3. Following the service project, the Chiapas Mission Team will continue to meet until 7:30 p.m.



Blessing Bags sign up genius



Care Package sign up genius

Care Packages for College and Boarding School Students:

The middle school youth, confirmation class, and Chattanooga Mission Team are preparing care packages for our college and boarding school students. Both youth and adults are invited to bring food items, Bible verses, and school supplies to include in the 40 or so boxes. Individually wrapped items that can easily travel work best. Use your imagination: what would you like to receive in your care package if you were a college or boarding school student? You can sign up to bring specific items using our College and Boarding School Care Packages SignUpGenius. Following the service project, the Chattanooga Mission Team will continue to meet until 7:30 p.m.

Youth Workday Fundraiser:

The Chiapas, Mexico, and Chattanooga, Tennessee Mission Teams have their annual workday fundraiser on Saturday, March 9 from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. If you need housework or yard work done, call or email Linda Deeter at (843) 722-8882 or ldeter@first-scots.org. Tell her the type of work, the number of people you need, and the time frame desired. All donations for work done will go toward the cost of the mission trips. You provide the tools and supplies.

