

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Organized 1731

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 5, 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
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SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

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

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

Robert Hobby

(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

Volunteer Appreciation Block Party

Ginger Liner (8:45)

Keith Blake (11:15)

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“Come Let's Rejoice”

John Amner

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

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary Robinson

One: Come, let us worship the Lord, who calls us to abide in his love and walk with integrity.

All: We come before you, O God, with hearts open to your Word and your ways.

One: Let us hear the words of Jesus, who calls us to remain in his love and bear witness to his truth.

All: We will worship the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Hymn No. 464

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, we confess that we have often been swayed by the ways of the world and our own selfish desires. We have failed to love one another as you have loved us, and we have not always remained in your love. We ask for your forgiveness and your guidance as we seek to live a life that is pleasing to you. Help us to walk in the way of truth and love. May our words and actions reflect the goodness of your character, and may we be a light in the darkness. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who showed us the way of joy and love and who remains in us as we remain in him. 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

“I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy Down in My Heart”

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.

I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;

I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Carrie Simpson (8:45)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: 1 Samuel 20: 1-3, 11-17

New Testament: John 15: 9-27

Rob Dillon (11:15)

(pew Bible, page 230)

(pew Bible, page 878)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"ABIDING IN JOY AND LOVE"

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.

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

(11:15)

THE WELCOME

The People Respond Saying: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

†**HYMN OF REFLECTION**

"Lord, When I Came Into This Life"

Hymn No. 522

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The 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

"How Great Thou Art"

Stuart K. Hine/arr. Lloyd Larson (8:45)

"Lord, Make Me an Instrument"

John Rutter (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**

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT	“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”	Hymn No. 341
†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.
†BENEDICTION RESPONSE	“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”	John Rutter
†POSTLUDE	“Choral Song”	Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary today are in celebration of the wedding of Molly Davis and Chandler Brown on Saturday, May 4. 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 at the harpsichord following the service.
The tour will last approximately 10-15 minutes.
Today’s docents are Matt Spath (8:45 a.m.) and Michael Johnson (11:15 a.m.).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 a.m. GREETER: Byron Frick **11:15 a.m. GREETERS:** Jane McNeill, Linda Stout

COFFEE GREETER: Emily Warr

8:45 a.m. USHERS: Henry Hay III (Captain), Walker Avant, Mary Peters, David Neff, Henry Hay IV

11:15 a.m. USHERS: Amelia White (Captain), Jay White, John Robinson, Bob Dawson, Matt Bucknam

8:45 a.m. DEACONS: Todd Plaxco (Lead Deacon), Lindsey Melville

11:15 a.m. DEACONS: Gene Childers (Lead Deacon), Lisle Henderson

8:45 a.m. BEADLE: Matt Spath **11:15 a.m. BEADLE:** Wade Davis

8:45 a.m. LAY READER: Carrie Simpson **11:15 a.m. LAY READER:** Rob Dillon

ELDER ON CALL (May 6 - May 12) – Bob George (843) 348-7203

DEACON ON CALL (May 6 - May 12) -- Michelle Parks (843) 300-8865

PASTOR ON CALL (May 6—May 12) – Pastor Mary Robinson (843) 872-1527



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)

WIN THE GRAND PRIZE!

GRAND PRIZE TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON!

YOU ARE INVITED TO A

BLOCK Party

MAY 19, 2024 11-1 P.M.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DAY

FOOD. FUN. FELLOWSHIP.

1731 Legacy Society



The Legacy Society recognizes members and friends who have made a commitment of \$5000 or more in their estate plans. We plan to recognize new 1731 Legacy Society members during a special luncheon after church on Rally Sunday in September. If you are not a 1731 Legacy Fund member, we hope you hear the call to become one. Call Bill Prewitt at (843) 620-0158 or wmcprewitt@gmail.com or contact Shelby at the church office at (843) 722-8882. If you're already a 1731 Legacy member, we welcome you to consider a renewal of your commitment.

Presbyterian Women May Board Meeting

The Presbyterian Women May Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 7, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 202 of the Massie Building. For additional information, please contact Debbie Rice-Marko at (843) 367-8089 or by email at dricemarko@gmail.com

Looking for a nice mid-week break?



Visit our candlelight Taizé worship and communion service on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Lilly Chapel.

Taizé is a contemplative, meditative service of Christian prayer, song, and scripture. Through the community's ecumenical outlook, worshippers are encouraged to live in the spirit of kindness, simplicity and reconciliation.

Wednesday Night Supper

Call the church office at (843) 722-8882 or email Karen Kuhn at kkuhn@first-scots.org to RSVP.

Deadline for reservation is Monday, May 6, at noon.

Wednesday's dinner by Chef Chuck Smithson
Shepherd's pie, garden salad, steamed broccoli, dessert

The Season Grand Finale: Low Country Boil Supper



Save the Date: May 15, 6 P.M.

This very special end-of-the-season event will be held in Molly Wier Hall.

Presbyterian Women Birthday Luncheon

Women of First (Scots) are invited to the annual Birthday Luncheon! We are thrilled to welcome speaker Lalla Lee Campsen, a wife, mother, mentor, leader of prayer groups, and Bible studies, and author of "Daily ACTS: A Yearly Guide to Prayer and Praise."

We will also install our new officers for 2024-25.

When: Tuesday, May 14, at 11:30 a.m.

Where: Molly Wier Hall

To reserve your spot: Email Betsy Middleton, epmiddleton230@gmail.com and send a check for \$25 payable to First (Scots) PW to Anne Dukes, 80 Bull Street Charleston, SC 29401

To reserve childcare: Email Laura Beall, laurabeall77@gmail.com, with number and ages of children.

Beginning on Sunday, May 19, First (Scots) will hold one worship service at 10 a.m.



Every Sunday, we provide children's activity bulletins (for ages 3-7 and 7+) on the back tables near the entrance to the sanctuary. Pick one up today!

Who Are The Stephen Ministers ?

A Stephen Minister provides one-to-one care to individuals facing life challenges or other difficulties. A Stephen minister is a child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting, who has received 50 hours of training in providing emotional and spiritual care.

Current Stephen Minister team leaders are:

Tom Slabaugh (859) 221-5069

Anne Smith (843) 817-1337

Matt Spath (843) 324-5990



This year, Harrison Garrett "Will" Pickren is graduating from Hampden Sydney. Harrison's plans for the future include playing football for The Citadel while he pursues his MBA.

Congratulations, Graduates!

We want to celebrate and encourage all of this year's graduating high school seniors and college graduates. If you or someone you know is a graduate this year please contact the church office, and we will make sure to include your graduate profile in an upcoming publication.



Report from the First Scots Organ Commission

Our pipe organ, central to worship and the sanctuary's history, consists of a keyboard console, electrical control systems, and an organ chamber with pipes and mechanisms. Despite its excellent tonal quality, our organ has numerous mechanical issues like unreliable stops and wiring problems, leading to operational challenges. To preserve its historic value, a total replacement was dismissed in favor of refurbishment. The organ commission selected R.A. Colby Company for this task, which includes updating components and digital enhancements, expected to extend the organ's life by more than 20 years.

Youth Auction Report and Thank you!

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in the Youth Auction this past Wednesday night. It was a wonderful evening filled with joy and camaraderie, as we all enjoyed a delicious BBQ pork dinner and engaged in warm fellowship. Your enthusiastic participation and generous support have greatly contributed to raising funds for our upcoming Youth Missions trips to Chattanooga, TN, and Chiapas, Mexico. Thank you for making the event a success and for helping us move forward with these important missions.

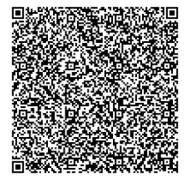
Do you love to work with children or know anyone who does?

We are looking for someone to be the

Interim Christian Education Director!

This position does not require a DCE certification.

Scan the QR Code to see the job listing.



AVAILABLE POSITION

2024-2025 Academic Year

Kindergarten Assistant Teacher

First (Scots) Presbyterian Kindergarten is looking for an Assistant Kindergarten Teacher who will prepare students for entry into first grade. This teacher is responsible for working with the Lead Teacher in developing and implementing a curriculum in an accelerated kindergarten program with an emphasis on phonics, writing, guided reading, and mathematics.

Please contact Jenn Cromwell at fspckindergarten@first-scots.org or call (843) 722-8882.





Confirmation Sunday

Those participating in this year's confirmation class will be welcomed by the congregation today at the 11:15 a.m. service. Following the worship service, everyone is invited to the sanctuary portico to enjoy light refreshments and a time to greet the confirmation class.

Confirmation Class of 2024 Participants:

Gretchen Dawson, Cal Fairfield, Hank Garrett,
Della Gregory, Burns Hamilton, Wesley Hider,
Garland Lynn, Sam Rowe, Caroline Spath,
Sally Tillman, Baker Wallace, and Elizabeth Yount.

Special thanks to confirmation class leader, John McNeill.



High School Youth for Today: Kickball (5-7 p.m.)

Today the High School Youth Group is playing kickball.

Meet at Hazel Parker Playground (70 East Bay Street) for some friendly competition and a picnic supper! What games should we play?

Youth versus youth advisors? Seniors and juniors versus sophomores and freshmen?

Bring a water bottle and wear comfortable clothes and shoes.

Please have a parent complete a Youth Permission and Release Statement (tinyurl.com/FSYouthPermission), if you haven't turned one in for 2023-2024.

If you have any questions, please contact James Rogers
at jrogers@first-scots.org or (843) 722-8882.

Middle School Youth for Today: TopGolf (5-7 p.m.)

Today the Middle School Youth Group is experiencing Topgolf Charleston.

Meet at Topgolf (4878 Tanger Outlet Blvd, North Charleston, SC 29418) by 4:45 p.m.

so you can register before game play starts at 5 p.m.

Food and drinks are available for purchase but cost extra.

Please reserve your spot using the TopGolf SignUpGenius (tinyurl.com/FSTopGolfMS24) and paying your

\$20 fee through E-Giving (abundant.co/firstscots/give),

designating the payment to "Youth Group Activity."

In addition, please have a parent complete a Youth Permission and Release Statement (tinyurl.com/FSYouthPermission), if you haven't turned one in for 2023-2024.

If you have any questions, please contact James Rogers
at jrogers@first-scots.org or (843) 722-8882.



Scan to Register

Vacation Bible School

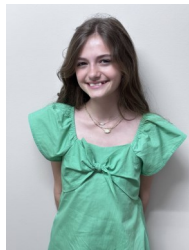
July 29 - August 2

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

\$75 per child (ages 4 & up)



First (Scots) Presbyterian Church 2024 Confirmation Class



Gretchen Dawson is an eighth grader at Charleston Day School. She enjoys horseback riding and basketball. She likes going to Montreat, NC, and Little River Beach during the summer. Gretchen has been going to First (Scots) as long as she can remember. Her mom, Hunter Dawson, has encouraged her in her journey in faith. *Mentored by Ainsley Tillman .*



Cal Fairfield is an amazing student athlete who attends Buist Academy. He is tall, cool, handsome, talented on the court, and nice to his parents and friends. He believes everyone deserves a second chance. *Mentored by Catherine Fairfield.*



Hank Garrett is an eighth grader at Buist Academy. He plays tennis and soccer and likes seeing friends. He enjoys mission trips and confirmation. He is the son of Todd and Jessica Garrett, and his parents and family have encouraged his faith. *Mentored by Jack Callaban.*



Della Gregory is an eighth grader at Moultrie Middle School. She enjoys walking, swimming, and going to the beach with friends. She has been going to First (Scots) since she was born. Her grandparents have helped her to see God in everyone and do what God would want her to do. *Mentored by Polly Kronsberg.*



Burns Hamilton is an eighth grader at Charleston Day School. He enjoys playing golf, riding his bike, and playing basketball. He is the son of Lizzie and Brent Hamilton. His grandparents, Gene and Anne Childers, have encouraged him to embrace the church's teachings. *Mentored by Gene Childers.*



Wesley Hider is the daughter of Greg and Amy Hider. She always wanted to attend mission trips, retreats, and youth group/Sunday school ever since her two older brothers have. Now it's her turn! One of her favorite things to do is grab a "strawberry acai" from Starbucks or go somewhere that has water. *Mentored by Adam Yount.*

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church 2024 Confirmation Class



Garland Lynn, Jr. is an eighth-grade student at Porter Gaud School. He enjoys bowling, basketball, snow skiing, and other sports. He enjoys going swimming off his dock and doing water sports. His grandfather Dabu has been a key inspiration to him throughout the years through Dabu's wisdom and prayers. He enjoys being with friends because it makes him a better, more social and happy person. *Mentored by Jennifer Wallace.*



Sam Rowe is an eighth grader at Charleston Day School. He enjoys playing and watching basketball and football. Sam has been at the church since he was six years old. He is the son of John and Karen Rowe. Sam loves attending youth group activities at First (Scots). *Mentored by Karen Rowe.*



Caroline Spath is an eighth grader at Moultrie Middle School. She enjoys going to the beach and going to the pool. She also enjoys tanning and hanging with friends. She enjoys going on the youth trips and is excited to go to Chattanooga. She is the daughter of Matthew and Stephanie Spath. *Mentored by Ashley Nutley.*



Sally Tillman is an eighth grader at Charleston Catholic. She enjoys playing basketball, volleyball, and tennis, and she loves hanging out with friends skateboarding, biking, shopping, or just talking. She goes to Camp Greystone every July. She enjoys going to youth group. Her favorite worship song is "Reckless Love." She loves eating pasta, pizza, smoothies, and grilled cheese. She is excited to be confirmed at The Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul where her family are members and continue her life in the church. *Mentored by Hunter Dawson.*



Baker Wallace is an eighth grader at Nativity School. He loves going on mission trips and traveling to new places. Baker has been blessed to have the support and encouragement of so many teachers from First (Scots), his school, and his family in his journey of faith. *Mentored by John McNeill.*



Elizabeth Yount is an eighth grader at Moultrie Middle School. Elizabeth enjoys playing volleyball and hanging out with her friends and family. She loves participating in youth group activities and going on mission trips in the summer. Elizabeth is the daughter of Tricia and Adam Yount and has lived in Mt. Pleasant her whole life. *Mentored by Amy Hider.*