

# FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 18, 2024 AT 10 A.M.



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## THE VISION OF GOD

**PRELUDE**

“Prelude in D Major”

J.S. Bach

(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**

Rally Day

Anne Jackson

**†PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

“Peoples, Clap Your Hands!”

Genevan Psalter

*Summer Choir*

**†CALL TO WORSHIP**

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

One: Come, let us gather in the presence of our God, who is always at work in our lives.

**All: Let us open our hearts to the promptings of God's Spirit.**

One: In the stillness and in the noise, in the certainty and in the change, God is with us, shaping us and leading us.

**All: Let us worship the Lord, our God, who is always present, always working, always good!**

**†PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Hymn No. 417

**PRAYER OF ADORATION**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**Almighty and Everlasting God, we come before you, confessing our struggles with change and our hesitancy to engage in the new things you are doing in our lives. You call us to embrace your guidance, but we cling to our ways, fearful of what the future might bring. Forgive us, O Lord, when we fail to recognize your hand in the changes around us. Forgive us for the times we seek to control rather than trust. Give us the faith to follow you, the courage to embrace change, and the wisdom to discern your will in every situation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**†GLORIA PATRI**

*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.*

**†CHILDREN'S HYMN**

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

[Refrain] *All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.*

*He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.*

[Refrain]

## THE WORD OF GOD

**THE TIME FOR CHILDREN**

Trudy Marosok

**THE TIME FOR TEENS**

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

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Slade Metcalf

**THE WORD READ**

Old Testament: Isaiah 43:14-21

(pew Bible, page 586)

New Testament: Acts 14:8-18

(pew Bible, page 898)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

"WHEN CHANGE COMES"

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.

†**HYMN OF REFLECTION**

"Be Thou My Vision"

Hymn No. 339

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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 choose to give electronically, by texting FIRSTSCOTS to 73256, or by scanning the QR code found on the bulletin insert.)

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

Clara H. Scott

†**DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom 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	“Our God, our Help in Ages Past”	Hymn No. 210
†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.
†BENEDICTION RESPONSE	“Amen”	Johann G. Naumann
†POSTLUDE	“Fugue in D Major”	J.S. Bach

**Large print hymnals and assisted listening devices are available upon request.**

If you feel the Spirit of God moving you to affirm your faith in Jesus, please speak to a pastor following the service or contact them this week at the church.

**FLOWERS:**

The flowers in the front of the sanctuary are given in loving memory of Suzanne Chesnut who passed away on August 11.

The flowers in the rear of the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by Robert and Bill Bondurant to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of their parents, Linda and Gordon Bondurant.

**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 front and meet your docent at the harpsichord following the service. The tour will last approximately 10-15 minutes. Today’s docent is Elizabeth Bernat.

**ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY**

**GREETERS:** Elizabeth Riddle, Anne Jackson

**LEMONADE IN THE SHADE:** Courtney Buxton

**USHERS:** David Warren (Captain), Bob Nutley, Ashley Nutley, Clark Truluck, Michael Branch, Caroline Barnes

**DEACONS:** Legare Gresham (Lead Deacon), Joanne Mauldin

**BEADLE:** Jan Key **LAY READER:** Slade Metcalf **MEDIA MINISTRY:** Matt Bucknam

**ELDER ON CALL (August 19 - August 25)** - John Robinson (843) 696-9266

**DEACON ON CALL (August 19 - August 25)** - Courtney Buxton (843) 870-2914

**PASTOR ON CALL: (August 19 - August 25)** - 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  
 The Reverend. Dr. Daniel W. Massie, Pastor Emeritus



Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music	Trudy Marosok, Interim Christian Education Director
Dakota Carte, Administrative Assistant	Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Katherine Clarkson, Kirk Choristers Director	Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant
Scarlett Crawford, Church Administrator	Chris Silva, Communications Coordinator
Jennifer Cromwell, Kindergarten Director	Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
Karen Kuhn, Administrative Assistant	Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director

Dr. Anthony Williams, Organist and Director of Music

# WELCOME TO FIRST (SCOTS)



Registration is open for the 2024-2025 Kirk Club!

Wednesday, September 11 is the opening night of this season of Kirk Club.  
Drop off begins at 3:30 p.m., and Kirk Club begins at 4 p.m.  
The cost is \$100/child for the year.



Scan the QR code to sign your child up for Kirk Club.

A congregational meeting has been called for  
Sunday, August 25, at 9:30 a.m.  
to receive a report from the associate pastor nominating committee.

## Rally Day is September 8!

On Sunday, September 8, worship services begin again at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. with a Rally Day Celebration at 10 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall. Come join us for a hearty breakfast, meet this year's Sunday School teachers, Kirk Club staff, and learn about the Wednesday Night programs and opportunities.

*"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 2 Corinthians 9:10*

## Tuesday Evenings Women's Bible Study Group

What is your life built on? The circumstances of life or the promises of God? Maybe you feel hurt by the past, disappointed by the present, or worried about the future. For every problem in life, God has given you a promise. Max Lucado takes a closer look at Scripture's unbreakable promises and shows us how to live with unshakable hope.

**TIME:** Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

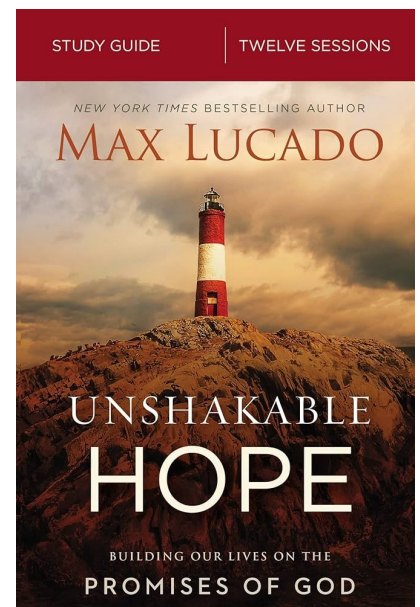
**PLACE:** First (Scots) Presbyterian Church: Room 203

**DATES:** September 10, 17, 24; October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29;  
November 12 & 19; December 3, 10, 17

**STUDY GUIDE:** "Unshakable Hope: Building Our Lives on the Promises of God" by Max Lucado

(Study Guides are available through various online stores)

**RSVP:** Ruthie Edwards at halvesouthern1@gmail.com



Scan the QR code for online giving!



## First (Scots) Youth Announcements

### Youth Group Kickoff Party

All youth in grades six through twelve and their parents are invited to the Youth Group Kickoff Party on Sunday, September 8 at 5 p.m. in Molly Wier Hall. We will enjoy food, play fun games, and learn about upcoming youth activities!

Please add this important event to your calendar.

### Want a Reminder About Youth Group Events?

Join our Youth Ministry Remind Group! You'll receive once a week text alerts and reminders regarding upcoming youth ministry events. And signing up is easy: text @firstscots to 81010



## Help Needed: Calling all flowery people



The Flower Guild is in need of arrangers. Please contact Debbie Rice-Marko at (843) 367-8089.

The Flower Guild decorates the sanctuary with poinsettias for Christmas and Easter flowers for Easter. Helping decorate can be as easy as helping unload poinsettias from the truck for an hour or placing poinsettias in the window boxes and hanging garland for one to two hours. Help is always greatly appreciated!

## Wednesday Night Suppers Return!

We are excited to announce the return of Wednesday Night Suppers, starting on Wednesday, September 11. This tradition offers a wonderful opportunity for our community to gather, share a meal, and enjoy meaningful fellowship.

**Dinner is at 5:30 p.m. (new time!)**

**\$10 per adult.**

**\$25 per family with minor children.**

**Look for reservation information in the coming weeks.**

**Mark your calendars for two special evenings:**

**September 18: Vasco Kachipapa from Malawi**

**September 25: Elmarie Parker from Presbyterian Outreach**



## Men's Bible Study and Table Talk Update

Men's Bible study meets on Tuesday, August 20, at 7a.m.

Table Talk meets Thursday, August 22, at noon

Please refer to the Kirk News for Zoom links.