

# FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 AT 10 A.M.



THE REV. DR. L. HOLTON SIEGLING, JR.  
SENIOR PASTOR/HEAD OF STAFF

THE REV. DR. JAMES T. ROGERS  
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

THE REV. DR. DANIEL W. MASSIE  
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## THE VISION OF GOD

**PRELUDE**

“Lord of the Dance”

Joel Raney

*Allison Williams, piano*

(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**

“Rejoice in the Lord Always”

K. Lee Scott

*Summer Choir*

**†CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

One: We gather in the presence of our Creator. We are made in God's image and entrusted with the work of His hands.

**All: As God rested on the seventh day and blessed it, so we too enter into God's rest, setting aside our labors to worship and renew our spirits.**

One: We gather to worship the Lord, who delights in our work and invites us to rest in His love.

**All: We worship with joy and gratitude, giving thanks for the rhythm of work and rest, and for the God who is with us in all things!**

**†PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Hymn No. 288

**PRAYER OF ADORATION**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**Lord of the Sabbath, only you know how often we rest when we should be working and work when we should be resting; seldom, if ever, do we find the right balance. We misuse work and rest, failing to recognize that they are gifts we have received to glorify you. By your grace, may we learn how to honor the Sabbath, and may we proceed in all our labors with hearts inclined toward others; 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**

“My God is So Great”

*My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There's nothing my God cannot do!*

*My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There's nothing my God cannot do!*

*The mountains are his, the rivers are his, the stars are his handiwork too.*

*My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There's nothing my God cannot do!*

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

## 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

Matt Spath

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Genesis 1:26 - 2:3

(pew Bible, page 1)

New Testament: John 5:1-18

(pew Bible, page 866)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"RESTING FROM OUR LABOR"

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

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

Hymn No. 357

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"The Lord's My Shepherd"

Bob Chilcott

†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

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

Hymn No. 446

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen"

Gabriel Fauré

†POSTLUDE

"Fanfare in D"

Nicolas Jacques Lemmens

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

**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 sanctuary are given in honor of our granddaughters, Vivianne, Madeline, and Marie from Strait and Charlotte Fairey

**RED ROSE:** The red rose in the sanctuary is in honor of the birth of Delaney Jamison Armstrong on Friday, August 16. She is the daughter of Cristy and Creighton Armstrong. Congratulations!

**The church office will be closed on Monday, September 2 for Labor Day.**

Beginning Tuesday, September 3, the office will return to normal business hours:  
8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday  
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Friday

**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 docent is David Warren.

### **ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY**

**GREETERS:** Matt Spath, Ryan Glenn

**LEMONADE IN THE SHADE:** Susan Leland

**USHERS:** David Hay (Captain), Mayrelle Semken, Joe Thompson, Henry Hay IV, George Smythe, Chase McNair

**DEACONS:** Debbie Rice-Marko (Lead Deacon), Kathy Rhodes

**BEADLE:** Stephen Carnie

**LAY READER:** Matt Spath

**ELDER ON CALL (September 2 - 8)** - Strait Fairey (843) 412-1540

**DEACON ON CALL (September 2 - 8)** - Elizabeth Johnson (843) 696-2528

**PASTOR ON CALL: (September 2 - 8)** - 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  
The Reverend Dr. Daniel W. Massie, Pastor Emeritus



Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music

Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant

Dakota Carte, Administrative Assistant

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

Trudy Marosok, Interim Christian Education Director

Dr. Anthony Williams, Organist and Director of Music

# WELCOME TO FIRST (SCOTS)

## Rally Day is September 8!



Next Sunday, September 8, we return to two services at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. The Rally Day celebration begins at 10 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall. Come join us for a hot breakfast, meet this year's Sunday School teachers, Kirk Club staff, fellowship with other members and guests, and learn about the Wednesday Night programs and mid-week opportunities available this fall.

*"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*

## From 1731 Legacy Society



Many generous donors have created a gift that will benefit our church for many years 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. You may contact Bill Prewitt directly at (843)620-0158 or [wmcprewitt@gmail.com](mailto:wmcprewitt@gmail.com)

**A New Stephen Ministry** class begins on Wednesday, September 11 following dinner. If you have compassion for others and an hour a week, after training, to walk along someone in need, please contact Mary Robinson for more details.

The Congregational Care Committee is looking for new members at large to serve on their committee. If you would be interested in serving, please contact Lisle Henderson at [henderson4nyc@yahoo.com](mailto:henderson4nyc@yahoo.com).

This committee is responsible for newborn gifts and meals, prayer shawls, flowers to shut-ins, meals to families after the death of a member, funeral receptions, care card ministry, Cancer Companions, and Stephen Ministry. We hope to expand to include more members!



First (Scots) member Carol Rees will offer the nine-week Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University class from 2-4 p.m. on Sundays beginning September 29 through November 24 at Harbor View Presbyterian Church on James Island.

Contact Carol at (618) 402-9304 if you're interested in attending.

## Join the Kirk Choir!

We invite all church members who love singing to join the Kirk Choir. We rehearse Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. and Sundays from 10-11:00 a.m. The Kirk Choir sings anthems from the renaissance, baroque, classical, spirituals, romantic, 20th and 21st centuries, world music, folk tunes, and more.

Do not miss the opportunity to  
Sing Unto the Lord a New Song  
with Joy and Thanksgiving!

### Contact

Ricard Bordas ([rbordas@first-scots.org](mailto:rbordas@first-scots.org))  
or  
Tony Williams ([awilliams@first-scots.org](mailto:awilliams@first-scots.org))  
or  
any choir member for more information.

Scan the QR code for online giving!



Beginning on Sunday, September 8, First (Scots) will hold two worship services at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Live stream is available for the 11:15 service.



*SAVE THE DATE! FOR THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ANNUAL RETREAT*

*Saturday, January 11 in Molly Wier Hall*

*Look for more information to come!*

## Wednesday Night Suppers Return!

Wednesday Night Suppers begin on Wednesday, September 11. Come gather with friends, share a delicious meal, and enjoy a mid-week break.

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

**\$10 per adult**

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

**Look for reservation information to come!**

**Special Program Dates**

**September 18: Vasco Kachipapa from Malawi**

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



## New Members Class on September 28



We invite anyone interested in becoming members to join us for our New Members Class. This class will be held on Saturday, September 28, at 8:45 a.m. It will be a great opportunity to learn more about our community, our faith, and the many ways you can become a part of our church family. Those interested will join First (Scots) the next morning.



Every Sunday, you will find children's bulletins, children's books, and activity bags for any family who might need a little something for a restless child in green bags at the back of the sanctuary or on the portico. Feel free to use during the service.

## 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, and will "be there" for his or her care receiver for as long as there's a need. First (Scots) has 16 Stephen Ministers.

Current Stephen Minister team leaders are:

**Tom Slabaugh** (859) 221-5069

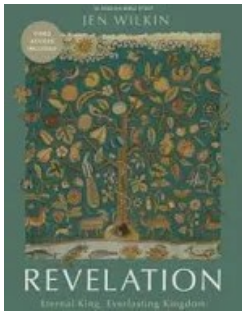
**Anne Smith** (843) 817-1337

**Matt Spath** (843) 324-5990

If you would like to speak with a Stephen Minister, call one of us.







## Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Time: Wednesday 10-11:30 a.m. Place: Massie Building, Room 203

Topic: Revelation; Eternal King, Everlasting Kingdom by Jen Wilkin

Jen Wilkin helps us to discover how the last book of the Bible speaks both a steady word of assurance and a strong call to endure to the church in every age.

This study begins September 11 and runs for 10 weeks.

Questions? Contact Amy Shubert at [ashubert27@gmail.com](mailto:ashubert27@gmail.com)

## Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study Group

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

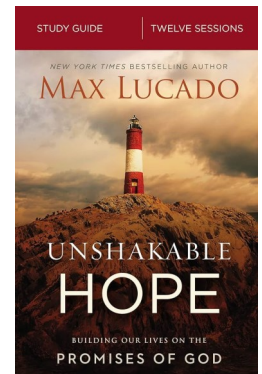
**PLACE:** Massie Building, Room 203

**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 [halfsouthern1@gmail.com](mailto:halfsouthern1@gmail.com)



## Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering

All women of First (Scots) are invited to drop-in for fellowship & refreshments, to see old friends and make new ones, and to learn about monthly Circle meetings & other PW activities.

**Tuesday, September 10**

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the  
home of  
Jane McNeill  
450 Wampler Drive  
Charleston, SC  
(elevator available)



**Tuesday, September 10**

6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the  
home of  
Jane Davis  
705 Leader Lane  
Mount Pleasant, SC

## Men's Bible Study and Co-Ed Table Talk Update

Men's Bible study meets on Tuesdays at 7 a.m. with breakfast in Molly Wier Hall.

Table Talk meets Thursdays at noon in Room 227-228 of the Massie Building

If you cannot attend in person, please refer to the Kirk News for Zoom links for each class.

## Line Dancing!



Let this September be the month to remember when you let it all go and shake up your soul and dance with everybody. Join us on Thursdays in September for line dancing from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall.

Contact Pam Arnett at [pampagearnett@gmail.com](mailto:pampagearnett@gmail.com) if you have questions.

## 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. Signing up is easy: text @firstscots to 81010

### Thank you!

Thank you to the many volunteers from First (Scots) who served our young people so well this summer. You gave so much of your time and your commitment to events, retreats, Tuesday lunches, activities, planning, driving, chaperoning, and supporting our youth. Thank you for all that you did to make this summer's activities fun and engaging and SAFE! for our young people.



## 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.

If you know anyone in need of a caretaker, contact Mary Robinson. She can refer you to a loyal and devoted lady who has taken care of some of our members in the past and is currently looking for a position. References are available.

Contact Mary Robinson at (843) 872-1527

### New Co-Chair Needed for the Martha Ministry!

The Martha Ministry helps to arrange members to provide a meal for a family when a member passes away. We need a co-chair! This requires someone to email members and organize the meal -- not prepare the meal. If you are interested, contact Lisle Henderson at henderson4nyc@yahoo.com or speak to Susan Witty.

### Help Needed: People who love flowers!

The Flower Guild needs flower arrangers. Please contact Debbie Rice-Marko at (843) 367-8089.

The Flower Guild decorates with poinsettias at Christmas and Easter flowers for Easter. Help is needed to unload poinsettias from the truck for an hour, placing poinsettias in the window boxes, and hanging garland for one to two hours.

Help is always appreciated!

### The Fall 2024 edition of the Tartan Tidbit is in preparation!



Please submit any church information and events that will occur between Fall 2024 to February 2025 for publication consideration. In addition, we need more recent photos of church-related activities and events for this publication. Submit information to [communications@first-scots.org](mailto:communications@first-scots.org)

### Help Wanted - Docents

To lead tours of the church after the Sunday morning worship services.



Address inquiries to Rob Dillon at (843) 670-8002 or [DillonR@fwgna.org](mailto:DillonR@fwgna.org)



Look out for information to come for the new church app. We have lately completed most of the work on our database conversion and are excited about the functionality that will be available for both the church office and the congregation. If you'd like to be a beta tester for the new app, contact Scarlett at (843) 722-8882 or [scrawford@first-scots.org](mailto:scrawford@first-scots.org)