

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 AT 8:45 A.M. & 11:15 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
PASTOR EMERITUS

PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

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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

Koinonia

Keith Blake (8:45)
Bert Hudnall (11:15)

†**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CHORAL INTROIT

“Come, Let Us Praise the Lord”

William Byrd

Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45)
Kirk Choir (11:15)

arr. Hal H. Hopson

†**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Mary Robinson

One: “All these things my hand has made, and so all these things are mine,” says the Lord.

All: **“But this is the one to whom I will look, to the humble and contrite in spirit, who trembles at my word.”**

One: We come to worship the Creator of the earth, the author of salvation, the giver of grace.

All: **With grateful hearts, O Lord, we come in humility and reverence, worshipping you in spirit and truth.**

†**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

Hymn No. 473

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 confess that we often seek independence, forgetting that we are called to walk together in unity. We have prioritized our interests over the needs of others, failing to reflect the humility of Christ. Forgive us for neglecting the power of togetherness, choosing pride over service and isolation over community. Teach us to value one another, lift each other up, and seek the good of our neighbors. In humility, help us to live as Christ lived, serving both you and our neighbors in love; 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**

“We Are One in the Spirit”

*We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored*

Chorus: *And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

† *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

Carrie Simpson (8:45)

Martha Jane Hudnall (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

(pew Bible, page 538)

New Testament: Philippians 2:1-11

(pew Bible, page 954)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“LIVING TOGETHER IN HUMILITY”

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**

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Hymn No. 438

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our 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

“I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”

arr. Lloyd Larson (8:45)

“Laudate Dominum”

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (11:15)

Katherine Clarkson, soprano

Translation: Praise the Lord, all nations; praise Him, all people. For he has bestowed His mercy upon us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever, and for generations of generations. Amen.

†**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.*

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT “In Christ There Is No East or West” Hymn No. 440

†CHARGE AND BLESSING The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Alleluia, Amen” K. Lee Scott

†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 sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Linda Stout.

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 and meet your docent at the harpsichord following the service for a 10-15 minute tour. Today's docents are Elizabeth Bernat 8:45 and Carol Rees (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER: Anne Jackson **11:15 A.M. GREETERS:** Tom Johnson, Lynn Graves

8:45 A.M. USHERS: Robert Hawk (Captain), Haylea Shuman, Mary Peters, John Metcalf

11:15 A.M. USHERS: David Warren (Captain). Chris Bucknam, Rodney Sims, Caroline Barnes, Ann Dukes, Nelson Werber

8:45 A.M. DEACONS: Lisle Henderson (Lead Deacon), Anna Smith

11:15 A.M. DEACONS: Bonnie Hutson (Lead Deacon), Matt Thomas

8:45 A.M. BEADLE: Bob Baldwin **11:15 A.M. BEADLE:** Bobby Sumner

8:45 A.M. LAY READER: Carrie Simpson **11:15 A.M. LAY READER:** Martha Jane Hudnall

MEDIA MINISTRY: Cathy Hill

ELDER ON CALL (September 23 - 29) - Ryan Glenn (843) 442-8937

DEACON ON CALL (September 23 - 29) - Bonnie Hutson (843) 697-5001

PASTOR ON CALL: (September 23 - 29) - 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

Trudy Marosok, Interim Christian Education Director

Dakota Carte, Administrative Assistant

Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant

Alison Beskin, Kirk Choristers Director

Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant

Scarlett Crawford, Church Administrator

Jack Crawford, 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)

Scan this QR code for online giving!



From 1731 Legacy Society



The newest members of the 1731 Legacy Society will be recognized during the Rally Day breakfast. You too can create a gift that will benefit our church for many years by including First (Scots) Church in your estate plan, by adding a few specific words to your will. You may contact Bill Prewitt directly at (843)620-0158 or wmcprewitt@gmail.com

Stephen Ministry training classes will be held at 6:15 p.m. following Wednesday Night Supper. 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.

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)
or
Tony Williams (awilliams@first-scots.org)
or
any choir member for more information.



Looking for a nice mid-week break?

Visit our candlelight Taizé worship and communion service on Wednesdays at 5 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. Join us for a peaceful time of rest in God!

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@fwna.org



Prayer Shawl Ministry

You are invited to take part in First (Scots) Prayer Shawl Ministry, which meets on Mondays from 1 - 1:30 p.m. Materials & instruction are provided for beginners. For more information, please contact Pat Dietz at (843) 810-8679.





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 Supper on September 25

Come gather with friends, share a delicious meal, and enjoy a mid-week break.

Menu

Herb Roasted Chicken
Macaroni and Cheese
Green Beans
Peach cobbler

Kids Menu

Chicken nuggets, raw veggies,
fruit cup, mac and cheese

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

\$10 per adult and \$25 per family with minor children

Reserve and pay online using the QR code.

Special Program Dates

September 25

Elmarie Parker

Presbyterian Outreach



New Members Class on September 28

If you are interested in becoming a member of First (Scots), the fall new members class begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, September 28. Come and learn more about our community, our faith, and ways to become an active participant in our church family. Those attending the class can join First (Scots) the next day on Sunday. Call Karen Kuhn at (843) 722-8882 or John White at (843) 514-2486 to learn more.

Scots on the Go ~ October 16



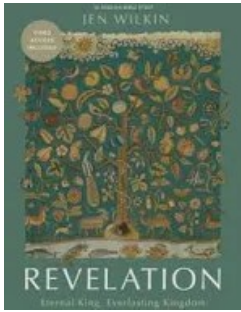
Join us at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 16 for a gateway walk lead by Karen Prewitt. Lasting just over an hour, the walk begins in front of the Unitarian Church on Archdale Street and ends on Philadelphia Alley. Our tour will take us through many historic sites around downtown Charleston, letting residents discover many of the city's hidden charms. Scan the QR code to register for this event. A \$5 donation is suggested, with all proceeds going to support the music ministry and Kirk Choir at First (Scots). Nancy Hanson will host the event.



Parramore Preaching Series



Sunday, September 29, First (Scots) has the honor of hosting Dr. Jonathan Lee Walton, President of Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, NJ. Dr. Walton will preach during the 8:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. services and will give a talk for our congregation's middle & high school students in the evening. Dr. Walton is social ethicist and religious educator and the author of two books: *Watch This! The Ethics and Aesthetics of Black Televangelism* and *A Lens of Love: Reading the Bible in Its World for Our World*.



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 with the church in every age. This study began September 11 and runs for 10 weeks.

Questions? Contact Amy Shubert at ashubert27@gmail.com

Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study Group

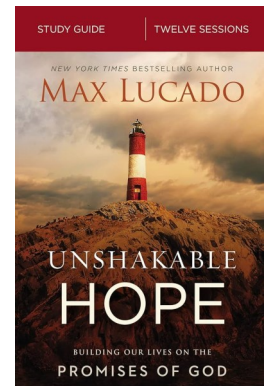
TIME: Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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



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

Men's Bible study meets on Tuesdays at 7 a.m. with breakfast in Molly Wier Hall.
Table Talk Bible Study 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 a 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 if you have questions.

First (Scots) House Meetings initiate the year of work of the Charleston Area Justice Ministry. At the House Meetings, members of First (Scots) consider the stark realities faced by many in our diverse community and how, as people of faith, we can work to build a community in which each of its citizens has access to the necessities of life. First (Scots) members are invited to attend one of the House Meetings and share concerns about the needs around us, and how CAJM can help.

7 p.m. Monday, September 23, call (843) 276-3354 or email mrhutch123@bellsouth.net

Hosts: Roy Hutchinson and Julia Eichelberger

7 p.m. Monday, September 30, call (843) 670-3281 or email martinh@muscd.edu

Hosts: Hank and Betsy Martin

5 p.m. Sunday, October 6, call 843-670-3281 or email martinh@muscd.edu

Hosts: Hank and Betsy Martin

7 p.m. Tuesday, October 8, call 843-795-0112, or email braindrain1944@gmail.com

Hosts: Blakely Adair and Elizabeth McAnally





Youth Group, September 22

High School Youth: Pickleball at Crush Yard (5-7 p.m.)

This Sunday the **High School Youth Group** will enjoy some friendly pickleball competition. Meet at Crush Yard at 3365 S Morgans Point Rd, Mount Pleasant, SC. Youth participants should reserve their spot using our Pickleball SignUpGenius, pay the \$15 fee using E-Giving (designating the payment to "Youth Group Activity"), and have a parent complete the Crush Yard Waiver in advance of the event. In addition, all participating youth should have a completed Youth Permission and Release Form on file for the 2024-2025 school year. Please bring a water bottle and pickle-

ball equipment (paddle and pickleball, only if you already have them; we'll have extras for people to borrow). Food will not be served as a part of this event but can be purchased onsite.

If you have any questions, please contact James Rogers.

Middle School Youth: Sky Zone (5-7 p.m.)

This Sunday the **Middle School Youth Group** is spending time at the trampoline park. Meet at Sky Zone (411 Wando Park Blvd, Mt Pleasant, SC 29464). Youth participants should indicate their interest in attending by using our Sky Zone SignUpGenius. Youth participants are also encouraged to buy tickets (standard pass for 90 minutes starting at 5:15 p.m. for \$27.99) and have a parent complete the Sky Zone Liability Waiver in advance of the event. In addition, all participating youth should have a completed Youth Permission and Release Form on file for the 2024-2025 school year. Please bring a water bottle and SkySocks (if you have them, otherwise they can be purchased at Sky Zone).

Food will not be served as a part of this event but can be purchased onsite.

Questions? Please contact James Rogers.

RSVP Now for HS Pickleball and MS Sky Zone

The QR Code links to the youth email with active links for registration payment, waivers, and permission forms referenced above.



Stephen Ministers

A Stephen Minister provides one-to-one care for individuals facing life challenges or other difficulties. A Stephen minister is a child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting, 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.

