

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 24, 2024 AT 8:45 & 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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8:45 & 11:15 A.M. SERVICES

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Trumpet Tune in D Major”

David N. Johnson

(May the beginning of the prelude serve as a call to silent meditation and prayer.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“O Praise the Lord, Be Joyful”

G. F. Handel/

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

arr. Hal H. Hopson

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

One: Christ comes to be our King.

All: We are here to be Christ's people.

One: Clothed in righteousness, Christ comes to save us.

All: Let the faithful shout for joy.

One: Adorned with the glory of the rising sun,

All: Christ disperses our gloom with holy light.

One: Let all God's people proclaim the Prince of Peace.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!”

Hymn No. 142

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Sovereign God, we confess we have given idols power over us, the idols of power and wealth, fame and security. We confess we have fallen into the ways of this world and have forgotten our kindred in Christ. We have lost sight of the reign of God here on Earth, and instead have allowed the idols of the world to rule over us. Forgive us. Call us into Your reign, to declare You the One who has power over us because Your power is love. Call us to love our neighbors as ourselves, and to work for justice, show mercy, and love one another in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. 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

“He's Got the Whole World in His Hand”

He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

He's got the little tiny baby in his hands. He's got the little tiny baby in his hands.

He's got the little tiny baby in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

† Those who are able, please stand.

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.)

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Anne Dukes (8:45)
Greg McKenzie (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Psalm 93; Daniel 7:9-10
New Testament: John 18:33-37

(pew Bible, page 478, 724)
(pew Bible, page 881)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"TRUTH DECAY"

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

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

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Hymn No. 151

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

"Here I Am, Lord" Daniel L. Schutte/arr. Lloyd Larson (8:45)
Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45)
"Fairest Lord Jesus" Silesian Folk Song/arr. Martin How (11:15)
Kirk Choir (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.*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE WORD ENACTED

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Prayer of Consecration

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.

Words of Institution

The Communion of the People

(We are pleased to offer all gluten-free bread and grape juice for communion)

Communion Anthem

“I Love You, Lord”

Laurie Klein/arr. Lloyd Larson (8:45)

“Bread of Heaven”

Roy Hopp (11:15)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

Hymn No. 155

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Amen”

Danish

†POSTLUDE

“King of Kings”

Ralph Simpson

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

FLOWERS: *The flowers in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of Cathey Leitch, by her husband Joe Leitch, her children, and her grandchildren.*

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.

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 John Robinson (8:45) and Karen Prewitt (11:15)

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER: Jane McNeill

COFFEE GREETER: Mayrelle Semken

8:45 A.M. USHERS: Greg Robinson (Captain), Chad

Covert, Rachel Herbert, Margaret McCormack,

David McCormack, Clark Truluck

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

Emily Topham (Lead Deacon), Michelle Parks

8:45 A.M. BEADLE: Stephen Carnie

8:45 A.M. LAY READER: Anne Dukes

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Clarissa McKenzie, Jack Callahan

11:15 A.M. USHERS: Grayson Liner (Captain),

Steve Werber, Tap Gresham, Ben King,

Andrew Wilkins, Caroline Barnes

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Heidi Whaley (Lead Deacon), Susannah Spath

11:15 A.M. BEADLE: Wade Davis

11:15 A.M. LAY READER: Greg McKenzie




MEDIA MINISTRY: Hewitt McKenzie

ELDER ON CALL (November 25 - December 1) - Bob George (843) 343-7203

DEACON ON CALL (November 25 - December 1) - Mayrelle Semken (843) 860-6611

PASTOR ON CALL: (November 25 - December 1) - Pastor Mary B. Robinson (843) 872-1527

Welcome to First (Scots)

 @firstscots1731 & @firstscotsyouth  First Scots Presbyterian Church  www.first-scots.org

If you feel called, please prayerfully consider online giving, accessible using this QR code!



The Church office will be closed November 28 and 29!

Calendar of Events

November 25 - December 1

Monday, November 25

Bridge, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Finance Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.

Session Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.

Thursday, November 28

Church Office closed

Friday, November 29

Church Office closed

Sunday, December 1

First Sunday of Advent

The Mere Christian Class, 10 - 11 a.m.

Don Adams Class, 10 - 11 a.m.

Commitment Season



Again, this Commitment season, our congregation has come together and has supported the church's work enthusiastically. The Stewardship Committee asks that members who have not pledged yet help us keep this momentum going by pledging at their earliest convenience. If for some reason anyone has not received their Commitment Card, or has misplaced theirs, please let the church office know. Additional cards are available in the sanctuary. Members can always pledge online at first-scots.org/stewardship or by using the link included herein. Thank you!



Progressive Dinner

Our Progressive Dinner is Sunday, December 15, at 6 p.m. Cost is \$35 per person and space is limited so reserve now! To RSVP, call the church office with a headcount & submit payment through cash, check, or E-giving with "Progressive Dinner" in the memo line. Contact Lizzie Hamilton at lizziehamilton@outlook.com or (843) 276-3466 with questions.

God's Gift Shop

God's Gift Shop is back for our 21st Year! And this year, to give you shopping days before Thanksgiving holiday activities are in full swing, the gift catalog is active, on the church website at www.first-scots.org.

And yes, again, you can relax after Thanksgiving: there's no need to scour the internet for Black Friday deals for gifts that may or may not arrive on time! Make in-store shopping hassles, wrapping and returns just bad memories of Christmas Past!

There's no need to overthink the perfect gift for those on your "nice" list. God's Gift Shop has more than 80 gift ideas for seven local and seven international charities, priced from \$1 to as much as you care to give. And – with a supply of lower priced items on hand – you can broaden your gifts of God's love to neighbors and colleagues who previously may not have made it far up your gifting list!

Your gift options this year are again wonderfully diverse, fitting any budget. Gifts to help those in need – meals, school supplies, clothing, even life-saving medical services, clean water where it's desperately needed, and some things that are just fun – are in the God's Gift Shop adult and children's catalogs. Share the joy of our Savior's birth, around the corner and around the world!

Wednesday Night Supper

There will be no Wednesday Night Supper, Taize service, Kirk Club, or Stephen Ministers meeting this week!

Longest Night Service

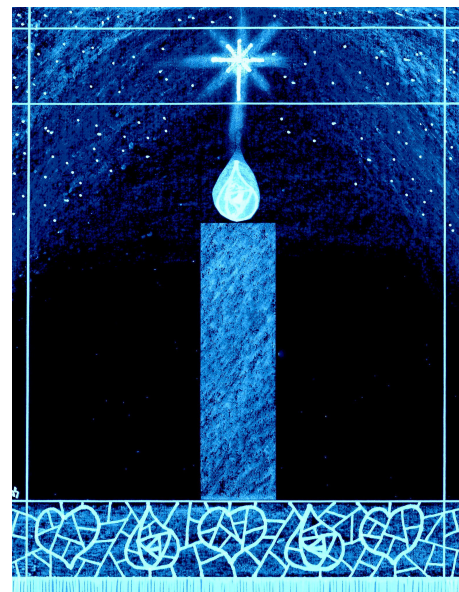
The Longest Night service will take place on December 18 at 5:30 p.m. A light supper is served in Molly Wier Hall following worship.

All are invited, no RSVP or payment is required.

Though the Christmas season is a time for joy and celebration, we must also acknowledge those who deal with hardships during this season, whether it be a lost loved one, illness, or emotional struggles. This service is an invitation to those who may feel alone or lost during Christmas, reminding them that community and consolation can always be found in the company of Christ. It is fitting that this service, taking place on the longest night of the year, should be situated so close to the birth of our savior.

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it"

John 1:5



Presbyter

Don't forget to save the date for the January 11 "Saturday with Sisters" in Molly Wier Hall.

The Women at the Well Circle will meet on Tuesday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Caroline Smith to share Christmas fellowship. For information, contact Jane Davis at birdgirl59@yahoo.com.

The Betty Noble Circle will meet on Tuesday, December 10 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Teresa Tarrant for Christmas fellowship. Contact Teresa Tarrant at (843) 509-8937 to learn more.

Christmas Line Dancing!

Those of you who wish to rock around the Christmas tree this year should join the Dancing Scotties as they line dance to Christmas tunes in December! Classes will be held in Molly Wier Hall on December 5, 12, and 19 (9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.). Please contact Pam Arnett (pampagearnett@gmail.com) if you have any questions!



Weekly Bible Studies

Men's Bible Study & Co-Ed Table

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study on Tuesdays at 7 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall. **Table Talk Bible Study** meets Thursdays at noon in Room 227-228 of the Massie Building. Both meetings are lead by Dr. Holton Siegling! If you cannot attend in person, refer to the Kirk News for Zoom links.

No Men's Breakfast or Table talk this week!

Thornwell Emphasis Month



During the month of November, we ask members to consider making a donation to Thornwell Home through E-giving. Thornwell receives 100% of the proceeds.

During Sunday School & Kirk Club, children will receive turkey coin holders to collect coins and dollar bills to help children in need.

To learn more about Thornwell home, visit www.thornwell.org



Christmas Sanctuary Decorations

Thanksgiving is around the corner, meaning Christmas isn't far behind! We invite you to help decorate our sanctuary on Saturday, December 7 from 1 - 3 p.m. in preparation for Christmas. We hang wreaths, drape garland, and arrange poinsettias! This is a time of fun, fellowship, and friendship! Contact Debbie Rice-Marko at (843) 367-8089



Angel Tree

Share the joy of the season by giving back to those in need

Gift tags are found on the tree in Molly Wier Hall

Unwrapped, labeled gifts due by Sunday, December 8

More info

www.charlestonhalos.org

Stephen Ministers

A Stephen Minister provides one-to-one care for people facing life challenges. 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



Carols in the Round

Carols in the Round, the most popular concert at Charleston Southern University, and directed by Ricard Bordas and Jennifer Luiken, comes to First (Scots) on Thursday, December 5 at 7:00 p.m. Come and celebrate the holidays with the choirs of the Horton School of Music and Performing Arts! Tickets are \$10. Scan the QR code to get tickets while they last!



Worship Women

er Hall! Sherry Bradshaw, author, public speaker, and devout Christian, will be joining us!

The Unbroken Circle will meet on Tuesday, Decmber 10 at 11 a.m. at the home of Jane Davis for a Christmas potluck luncheon. For information, contact Julie Cannell at (914) 671-0954.

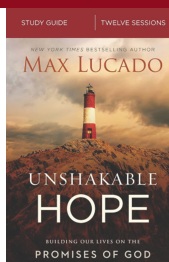
Seekers Circle will meet on Wednesday, December 11 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the home of Marulyn Johnson. Join as they sing Christmas carols. contact Christy Siegling at (843) 810-4905 or Betsy Middleton at (843) 345-6375 to learn more.

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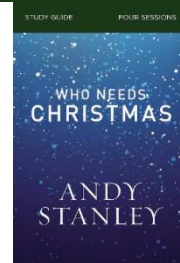
Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study Group

Time: Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Place: Massie Building, Room 203
Dates: December 3, 10, 17
Study Guide: "Unshakable Hope: The Promises of God" by Max Lucado
RSVP: Ruthie Edwards at halvesouthern1@gmail.com



Sunday School Parenting & Young Adult Class

Beginning December 1 and lasting until December 22 in room 203, a class will be viewing the four-part DVD series, "Who needs Christmas" by Andy Stanley. Contact Nan & Tod Williams or Whitney & Robert Stoddard to learn more.



Christmas Sanctuary Decorations

Honor or remember a loved one by donating to the sanctuary Christmas decoration.

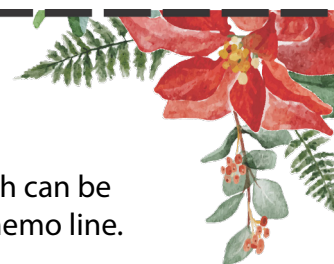
The cost is \$29/flower, payable through E-giving, cash, or check, which can be delivered to the church office. Write "Christmas Decorations" in the memo line.

Given by: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Forms and payments are due by Friday, December 13



Youth Ministry

Well, That Was Sweet!

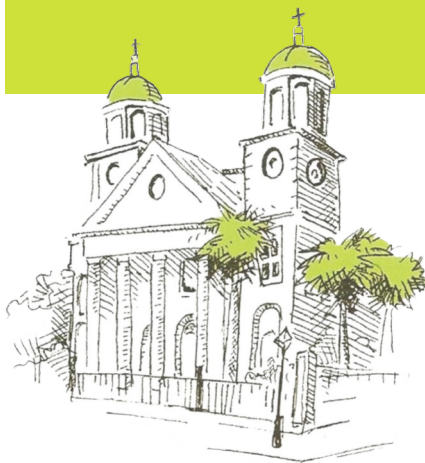
Last Sunday the high school and middle school youth and their advisors hosted an ice cream social for the congregation and over 100 people showed up! In addition to delicious ice cream sundaes, the youth led bingo and pizza was served. What a blessing it was for people of all ages to spend time together in Christian fellowship. Our event by the numbers:

- 114** attendees
- 20** large pizzas eaten
- 6+** gallons of ice cream enjoyed
- 75+** bingo prizes awarded

"O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him." -Psalm 34:8

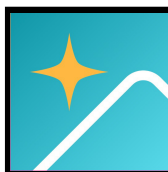


Youth Group Link Tree



Kids, don't forget about your Thornwell Turkeys!

As Thornwell emphasis month wraps up at First (Scots), we want to remind you that there's still time to help a child in need. by collecting coins and dollar bills in the turkey holders you received at either Sunday School or Kirk Club, you can help make a difference in a kid's holiday season through your donations. If you haven't received a turkey yet, contact Turdy Marosok at gmarosok@first-scots.org. Money can be placed in the offertory plate on Sundays. Please turn in all money collected to the church by the end of the month.



Over the next week, a major switch will occur wherein everyone in the active church membership rolls will be moved to the directory. If you haven't appeared in the directory yet, you will receive an email from Realm Connect after the fact. This is a normal part of bringing everyone into our secure online directory.



The Reverend Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr., Senior Pastor
The Reverend Dr. James T. Rogers, Associate Pastor
Pastor Mary B. Robinson, Commissioned Lay Pastor
The Reverend Dr. Daniel W. Massie, Pastor Emeritus



Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music
Allison Beskin, Kirk Choristers Director
Dakota Carte, Administrative Assistant
Jack Crawford, Communications Coordinator
Scarlett Crawford, Church Administrator

Jennifer Cromwell, Kindergarten Director
Karen Kuhn, Administrative Assistant
Trudy Marosok, Interim Christian Education Director
Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant

Brandon Snow, Assistant Sexton
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director
Dr. Anthony Williams, Organist and Director of Music