

# FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 26, 2025 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. PETER B. SUTTON  
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PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON  
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THE REV. DR. DANIEL W. MASSIE  
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## THE VISION OF GOD

**PRELUDE**

“Carillon”

John Behnke

(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**

1731 Legacy Society

Bill Prewitt

**†PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

“Come, Let Us Praise the Lord”

William Byrd

*Katherine Clarkson, Soprano; Timmi Winston, Mezzo-Soprano (8:45)*

arr. Hal H. Hopson

*Kirk Choir (11:15)*

**†CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

One: We come to listen to the Word of God, to be shaped by his truth and transformed by his grace.

**All: The Spirit of the Lord was upon Jesus to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.**

One: Jesus fulfilled God's promises and revealed the heart of God to the world!

**All: Let us open our hearts to the living Word, trusting that God meets us here with the truth that sets us free to love.**

**†PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

Hymn No. 483

**PRAYER OF ADORATION**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, you have revealed yourself to us through your Word, but we confess that we often fail to hear you rightly. Forgive us when we prioritize our experiences over your Word. Renew us through the power of your Holy Spirit, O Lord, and open our hearts to your truth, so that we may see you clearly, follow you faithfully and proclaim your good news with joy. In Jesus' name, 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**

“Standing on The Promises”

Verse 1 and Refrain

*Standing on the promises of Christ, my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring;  
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God.*

*Refrain: Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God, my Savior;  
Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.*

**† Those who are able, please stand.**



## THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

Trudy Marosok

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

David McCracken (8:45)

Harold Davis (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: 1 Kings 17:8-16

(pew Bible, page 282)

New Testament: Luke 4:14-30

(pew Bible, page 835)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“THE SHOCK OF THE WORD”

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

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

Hymn No. 429

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

“Be Still My Soul”

Jean Sibelius/

*Katherine Clarkson, Soprano; Timmi Winston, Mezzo-Soprano (8:45)*

arr. Lloyd Larson

“The Word Was God”

Rosephanye Powell

*Katherine Clarkson, Soprano; 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.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“Lift High the Cross”

Hymn No. 371

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Alleluia, Amen”

K. Lee Scott

†POSTLUDE

“Festive Trumpet Tune”

David German

**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.

**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 Graham Heller (8:45) and Baillie Pretzer (11:15).

### ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

**8:45 A.M. GREETER:**

Strait Fairey

**COFFEE GREETER:**

Danielle Hood

**11:15 A.M. GREETERS:**

Harvey Mason

**8:45 A.M. USHERS:**

Greg Robinson (Captain), CJ Kerr, Woody Kerr,  
Rob Dillon, Joe Thompson

**11:15 A.M. USHERS:**

Slade Metcalf (Captain), Dawson Smith, Chase Jasso,  
Meredith Harley, Keith Blake

**8:45 A.M. DEACONS:**

Wes Henderson (Lead Deacon), Gene Childers

**11:15 A.M. DEACONS:**

Bonnie Hutson (Lead Deacon), Legare Gresham

**8:45 A.M. BEADLE:**

Regina Yost

**11:15 A.M. BEADLE:**

L.W. McAnally

**8:45 A.M. LAY READER:**

David McCracken

**11:15 A.M. LAY READER:**

Harold Davis

**MEDIA MINISTRY:** Hewitt McKenzie

**ELDER ON CALL (January 27 - February 2)** - Jane McNeill (843) 693-2156

**DEACON ON CALL (January 27 - February 2)** - Gene Childers (864) 490-2361

**PASTOR ON CALL: (January 27 - February 2)** - The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. (865) 456-2235



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



Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music  
Alison 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  
Meredith Sharma, Cherub and Alleluia Choir Director  
Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant  
Brandon Snow, Day Porter  
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator  
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director

Dr. Anthony Williams, Director of Music and Organist

# Welcome to First (Scots)

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



## Calendar of Events

January 27 - February 2

### Monday, January 27

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.  
Bridge, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.  
Christian Education Meeting,  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Finance Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.  
Stewardship Committee, 6 - 7 p.m.  
Session Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.

### Tuesday, January 28

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, 7 - 8 a.m.  
Charlestowne Neighborhood  
Association Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study,  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, January 29

Ladies Bible Study, 10 - 11:30 a.m.  
Kirk Club, 4 - 5:40 p.m.  
Taize Chapel Service, 5 - 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Supper, 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.  
Stephen Ministry Training, 6:15 - 8:30 p.m.

### Thursday, January 30

Lectio Divina, 10 - 11:30 a.m.  
Thursday Table Talk, 12 - 1 p.m.

### Sunday, February 2

Dan Adams Class, 10 - 11 a.m.  
The Mere Christian Class, 10 - 11 a.m.  
Young Adult/Parenting Class, 10 - 11 a.m.  
Explorers Class, 10 - 11 a.m.

## New Member Class

Are you interested in joining First (Scots)? Save the date for Saturday, February 1! You're invited to the new member class. For more information, contact Karen Kuhn at (843) 722-8882.

## Wednesday Night Supper

Come gather to enjoy the simple pleasure of a meal with friends. 5:30 p.m. in Molly Wier Hall. \$10 per adult, \$25 for families



### Menu

Chicken Bake, Chef's Salad, Broccoli with Lemon Garlic, Cinnamon Bread Pudding

### Kid's Menu

Grilled Cheese, Fruit, Veggies, Dessert

Scan the QR Code to RSVP.

## Greetings from Edinburgh!

Dr. Peter Sutton has sent some kind words from across the pond expressing his excitement at joining us next month! Scan the QR code to view his message.



## Give a Pastor a lift?

As we eagerly await the arrival of Dr. Peter Sutton, a few preparations need to be made to insure he has everything he needs when he gets here; one of those being a car. Dr. Sutton will need to rent a car until he's able to find a suitable one to purchase. If you or anyone you know has a spare car, consider allowing Dr. Sutton to rent it until proper accommodations can be made. We thank you for your generosity!

## Presbytery Blessing Box

Our local Presbytery is accepting donations of non-perishable food items for those in need. Blessing boxes are found in Molly Wier Hall and in the Church's Sacristy. Your generosity is always appreciated!

To learn more, you can contact Hank Martin at (843) 670-3281 or Shary Dillon at (843) 906-1074.

## In need of a Caregiver?

If you or someone you know is looking for a caregiver, please contact Mary Robinson at mrobinson@first-scots.org or at (843) 872-1527. An experienced caregiver who has cared for members of First (Scots) in the past, is available to provide care for those in need.



Kirk Club is back for the new year! If your child has not been signed up, you still have time to register for the new semester! Kirk Club meets most Wednesdays from 4 - 5:30 p.m. Just scan the QR code and fill out the registration Jotform.

Scan me to sign up!



## Taizé

Taizé Chapel services are back! Are you interested in a different kind of worship? Consider joining us for a weekly candlelight Taizé service. Taizé services are held every Wednesday evening in Lilly Chapel beginning at 5 p.m. and lasting for 30 minutes. With roots in the Christian monastic tradition, Taizé offers worshippers a uniquely contemplative & meditative service consisting of song, prayer, scripture, & communion. Join us in discovering a different side to Christian worship.



## Men's Breakfast and Bible Study

Join us at 7 a.m. each Tuesday for a delicious breakfast and insightful discussion on Scripture.

## Co-Ed Table Talk Bible Study

Come gather each Thursday at noon and learn about the depth and beauty of the Word of the Lord.

**Both of these Bible study groups are lead by The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. We hope you can attend in person, but if you are unable to do so, Zoom links can be found in your weekly Kirk News publication. Don't receive Kirk News? Call Karen Kuhn in the church office by calling (843) 722-8882.**

## Presbyterian Women

**The PW Board will meet Tuesday, February 4 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Conference room of the Massie Building

## Prayer Shawl Ministry



The Prayer Shawl Ministry creates handmade shawls as a tangible expression of God's love. These shawls offer comfort and peace to those in need or celebrating a life event. We welcome anyone interested in joining whether a novice or advanced knitter. Knitting supplies are provided or you can bring your own. This is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship while also helping others in the process!

**The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on February 3 from 1 - 3 p.m. For more information, contact Pat Dietz at (843) 810-8679.**

*Presbyterian Women  
Valentine's Day Luncheon*

**Guest Speaker:**  
*Lynne White Poole*

**Tuesday, February 11 at 11:30 a.m.**  
*Admission is \$25 per person. Childcare is free but please note how many children in the RSVP form. Admission is payable through cash or check at the church office or Sunday offering plate, writing, "PW Valentine's Luncheon" in the memo line.*

Scan the QR code to RSVP!





# Stephen Ministers



A Stephen Minister provides one-to-one care for people facing life challenges. They are a child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting, has received 50 hours of training in providing personal care, and will "be there" for their care receiver for as long as is needed.

Current Stephen Minister team leaders are: Tom Slabaugh (859) 221-5069,  
Anne Smith (843) 817-1337, & Matt Spath (843) 324-5990

## Financial Peace University

**Gross revenue for the entire credit card industry was more than \$150 billion in 2024.**



Debt is a product, the most successfully marketed product in history. The nine-week Financial Peace University course will be offered this Spring. Video/discussion classes are tentatively scheduled from 6:15 – 7:45 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 12 – April 9. For more information contact Carol Rees, (618) 402-9304.

### Sunday Morning Parenting Class

You're invited to a new Sunday School class! The class will view the multi-part DVD series, "Getting to the Heart of Parenting" by Paul Tripp.



Contact Trudy Marosok at [Gmarosok@first-scots.org](mailto:Gmarosok@first-scots.org) to learn more.

### Wednesday Night Supper Guest

Our next Wednesday Night Supper guest will be Martha Derrick, author and member of First (Scots)! Her book is called, "Meet you at the Top: A Journal of Love and Faith." and it recounts her life and the history of South Carolina through historical events and people during the 20th century.



*Meet You at the Top*  
*A Journal of Love and Faith*

Martha Langford Derrick

### Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study

**WHEN:** Tuesday Evenings ~ 5:30-6:30 p.m. ~ January 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25 & March 4

**WHERE:** First (Scots) Presbyterian, Room 203

**WHAT:** What Happens Next by Max Lucado ~ Book (optional) and Study guide (necessary)



For more information, contact

Ruthie Edwards at [halfsouthern1@gmail.com](mailto:halfsouthern1@gmail.com) or  
Martha Jane Hudnall at [mj.hudnall@comcast.net](mailto:mj.hudnall@comcast.net)

### Spring Line Dancing



Come dance away your winter blues with one of our two weekly Line Dancing Classes! Check out the schedule!

**Beginner's Line Dancing I** will be held on the following Mondays:  
February 3, 10; March 17, 24, 31;  
May 5, 12, 19 (5 -7 p.m.).

**Beginner's Line Dancing II** will be held on the following Thursdays:  
February 6, 13; March 20, 27; May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
(9:30 - 11:30 a.m.).

All classes will be held in Molly Wier Hall.

Please contact Pam Arnett ([pampagearnett@gmail.com](mailto:pampagearnett@gmail.com)) if you have any questions!

# Youth Winter Retreat

Last weekend 38 youth and adults participated in the "Roads" ski retreat to West Virginia. In addition to the skiing and snowboarding, the group studied three Bible stories that happened on the road: The Conversion of Saul (Acts 9:1-21), The Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), and The Road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35). Special thanks to our chaperones, for their leadership throughout the trip: Will Dawson, Beth Evans, Legare Gresham, Bill Moore, James Rogers, and Holton Siegling.



## Youth Sunday Planning, January 26, 5 - 7 p.m.

On January 26, the high school and middle school youth are meeting in the Kirk House from 5-7 p.m. to prepare specific leadership parts and decorations for our "Animals" Youth Sunday (February 9). We'll play some games (9 square?), continue our Music and Faith devotion series, and enjoy dinner before getting to work on Youth Sunday. Don't miss out on this opportunity to help lead worship for our entire congregation! If you have any questions about this event, please contact James Rogers.



## Register for Summer Youth Trips by February 2

Please see our Youth Summer Trip Registration Email for all of the details. **New for 2025!** Trip registrations will happen through Realm. Over the past several months you should have received an email invitation to join Realm Connect (our online community and church directory) as well as a second email that reflects your entrance into that online community. If you have any trouble with trip registration through Realm, please contact Dakota Carte at (843) 722-8882 or [dcarte@first-scots.org](mailto:dcarte@first-scots.org).



## Youth Summer Trip Schedule

- Montreat High School Youth Conference: June 7-14, 2025 (current 8th-12th graders)
- Charlotte, NC Middle School Youth Mission Trip: June 22-28, 2025 (current 6th-8th graders)
- Paradise, California High School Youth Mission Trip: July 13-20, 2025 (current 9th-12th graders)
- Middle School Youth Conference at Maryville College: July 16-20, 2025 (current 5th-8th graders)



## First (Scots) Preschool and Kindergarten Admissions

The Admissions process for First (Scots) Kindergarten & Preschool for the 2025-2026 school year is open. In accordance with our Admission policies, existing students are offered an opportunity to enroll first. We then offer active church members & siblings of existing students an opportunity to enroll (provided spaces are available) prior to opening it to families in the community. For church members to receive this priority status, they must have been active for the past 12 months, attended worship regularly and supported First (Scots) Presbyterian Church financially through a recorded pledge or contribution. Contact Jenn Cromwell, Kindergarten Director, at (843) 722-8882 or at [fspckindergarten@first-scots.org](mailto:fspckindergarten@first-scots.org) for more information. Tours are also available by appointment. Applications can be found in the reception area on the 2nd floor of the Massie Building.

## 1731 Legacy Society

The purpose of the 1731 Legacy Society is to build an endowment for the church which can deal with the ongoing needs of maintaining an almost 300-year old facility. This frees up current donations (annual stewardship) to more effectively address the day-to-day church operations.



## 483 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART 8.7.8.7.8.7

Johann Jacob Schütz, 1675

Trans. Frances Elizabeth Cox, 1864; alt.

Bohemian Brethren's Kirchengesang, 1566

1. Sing praise to God, who reigns a - bove, The God of all cre -  
 2. What God's al-might - y power hath made, God's gra - cious mer - cy  
 3. The Lord is nev - er far a - way, But through all grief dis -  
 4. Thus all my glad - some way a - long, I sing a - loud Thy

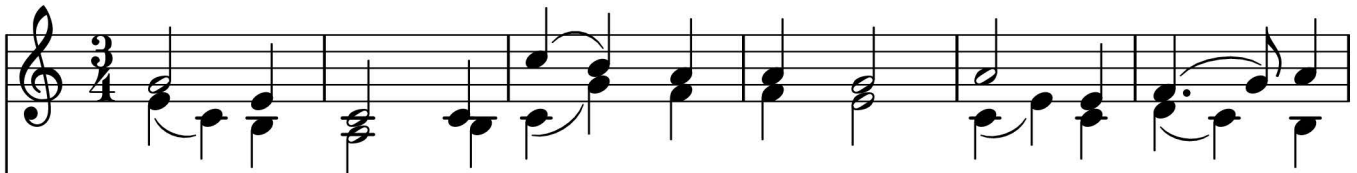
a - tion, The God of power, the God of love, The God of  
 keep - eth; By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade God's watch - ful  
 tress - ing, An ev - er pres - ent help and stay, Our peace, and  
 prais - es That all may hear the grate - ful song My voice un -

our sal - va - tion; With heal - ing balm my soul is filled, And  
 eye ne'er sleep - eth; With - in the king - dom of God's might, Lo!  
 joy, and bless - ing; As with a moth - er's ten - der hand, God  
 wea - ried rais - es. Be joy - ful in the Lord, my heart, Both

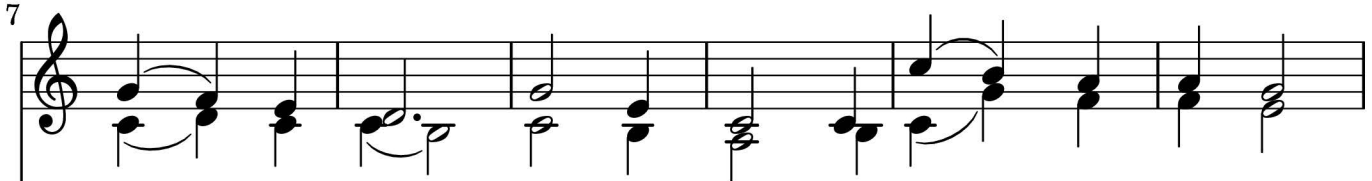
ev - ery faith - less mur - mur stilled:  
 all is just and all is right:  
 gent - ly leads the cho - sen band: To God all praise and glo - ry!  
 soul and bod - y take your part:

\*May be sung in unison.

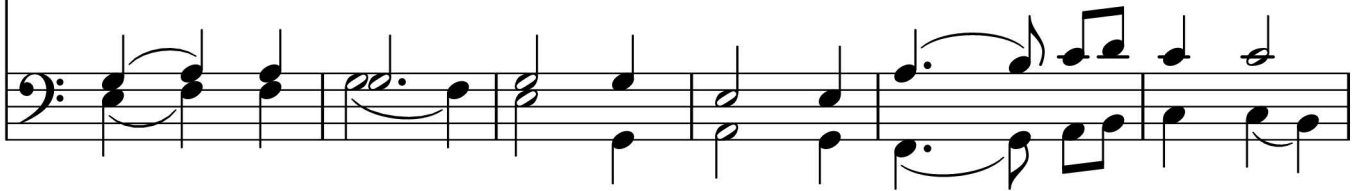
This tune in a lower key, 7



1. Lord, you give the great com-mis-sion: "Heal the sick and
2. Lord, you call us to your ser-vice: "In my name bap-
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,
4. Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Fa - ther, what they
5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur-ing: "I am with you

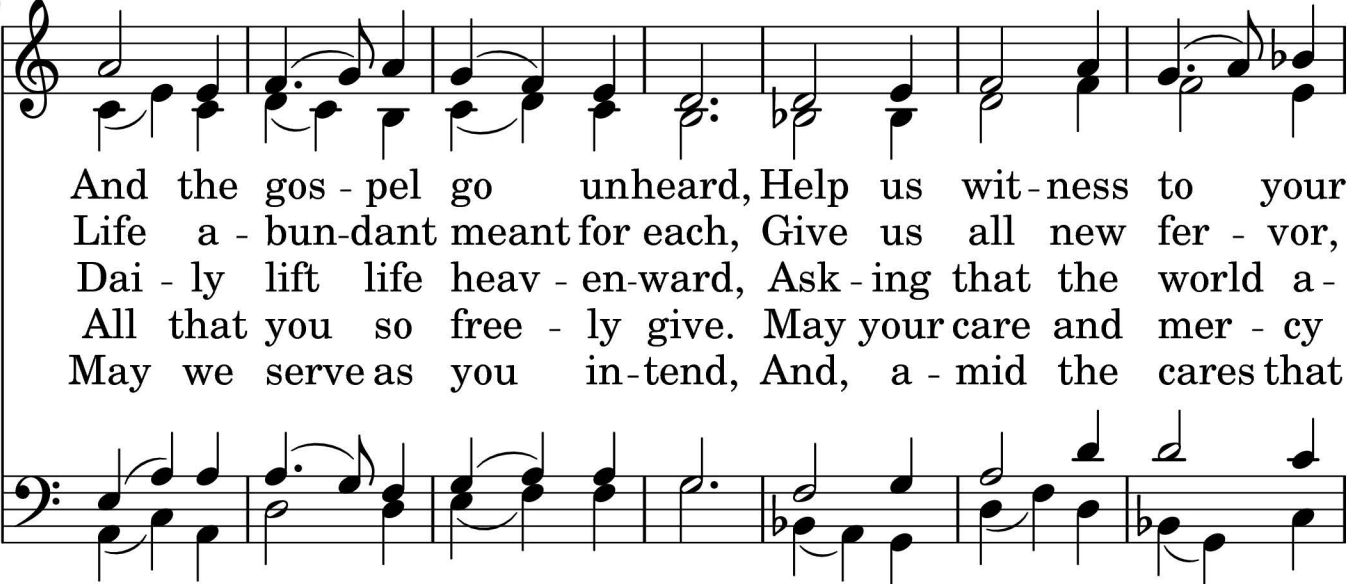


preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis-sion,  
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your promise,  
 this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,  
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate treasure  
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor-ing,






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And the gos - pel go un - heard, Help us wit - ness to your  
 Life a - bun - dant meant for each, Give us all new fer - vor,  
 Dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, Ask - ing that the world a -  
 All that you so free - ly give. May your care and mer - cy  
 May we serve as you in - tend, And, a - mid the cares that

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pur - pose With re - newed in - teg - ri - ty;  
 draw us Clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty;  
 round us Share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty; With the Spir - it's  
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 claim us, Hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty;

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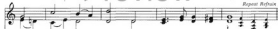
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## Lift High the Cross

George William Kitchen (1827-1891) CRUCIFER 16.00 with refrain  
 Sidney Hugo Nicholson, 1916 Desc. Richard Prosser (b. 1937)  
 Rev. by Michael Robert Newman (b. 1946) *Refrain and Duet*



1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
2. Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



The Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God,  
 Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died,  
 Your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly,  
 Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

