

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 11, 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 R. B. SUTTON
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

THE REV. DR. DANIEL W. MASSIE
PASTOR EMERITUS

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THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Musette in D Major”
Seraphina Wood, Piano (11:15)
“Pastorale”
Dr. Anthony Williams, Organ

J. S. Bach

Alex Rowley

(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

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Kirk and Kettle

Debbie Rice-Marko (8:45)

Keith Blake (11:15)

CHORAL INTROIT

“Come Let's Rejoice”
Katherine Clarkson, Soprano; Timmi Winston, Mezzo-Soprano (8:45)
Kirk Choir (11:15)

John Amner

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

One: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

All: The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

One: Blessing and honor are yours, O God.

All: Glory to God forever. Alleluia!

†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)

Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation; we repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace. 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 Hands” African-American Spiritual

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

He's got the itty bitty babies, in His hands. He's got the itty bitty babies, in His hands.

He's got the itty bitty babies, in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Anne Dukes (8:45)

Shary Dillon (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Gospel Reading: John 10:22-30

(pew Bible, page 873)

New Testament: Acts 9:36-43

(pew Bible, page 894)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"SETTING AN EXAMPLE"

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

†Affirmation of Faith – from *A Brief Statement of Faith* 11.4 (Unison)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

(11:15)

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Hymn No. 555

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

Mack Wilberg

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

"Jesu Lover of My Soul"

Philip W. J. Stopford

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 “God, Bless Your Church with Strength!”

Hymn No. 418

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Amen”

J. S. Bach

†POSTLUDE

“Toccata in C”

Johann Pachelbel

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

Flowers: The sanctuary flowers are in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Teague from Sandra, Flip and Sarah Vineyard.

The red rose is in thanksgiving for the birth of Paul Tate Finnen, who was born on Saturday, April 26.

He is the son of Cat and Davis Finnen.

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 Elizabeth Bernat (8:45) and David Warren (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER:

Shary Dillon

COFFEE GREETER:

Elizabeth Johnson

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Jack Callahan, Clarissa McKenzie

8:45 A.M. USHERS:

Mikell Thaxton (Captain), Chad Covert,
Rachel Covert, Clark Truluck, Elizabeth Bernat

11:15 A.M. USHERS:

Grayson Liner (Captain), Lindsey Melville, Rodney Sims,
Bobby Sumner, Bob Ross, Gary Gildersleeve

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

John White, Sr. (Lead Deacon), Emily Warr

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Susannah Spath (Lead Deacon), Emily Topham

8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Bill Prewitt

11:15 A.M. BEADLE:

Scott Evans

8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Anne Dukes

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Shary Dillon

MEDIA MINISTRY: Matt Bucknam

ELDER ON CALL: (May 12 - 18) - Anne Jackson (404) 217-1661

DEACON ON CALL: (May 12 - 18) - Jason Wall (525) 341-9479

PASTOR ON CALL: (May 12 - 18) - 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 R. 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
Chef Robyn Guisto, Food Services Director

Karen Kuhn, Administrative Assistant
Donna Lawson, Day Porter
Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Meredith Sharma, Cherub and Alleluia Choir Director
Martha Ann Siegling, Christian Education Assistant
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director

Dr. Anthony Williams, Director of Music and Organist

Welcome to First (Scots)



@firstscots1731 and @firstscotsyouth



First Scots Presbyterian Church



www.first-scots.org

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



Beginning Sunday, May 18, we transition to one service at 10 a.m.

Monday, May 12

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.
Kindergarten Board Meeting, 12:30 - 2 p.m.
Bridge, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Beginner's Line Dancing I, 5 - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 13

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, 7 - 8 a.m.
Personnel Committee Meeting, 10 - 11 a.m.
Presbyterian Women Birthday Luncheon,
11:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Stephen Ministers Meeting, 5 - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 14

Women's Bible Study, 10 - 11:30 a.m.
The Seekers Circle - Offsite, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Last Taizé Chapel Service, 5 - 5:30 p.m.
Last Wednesday Night Supper, 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.
Kirk Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Financial Peace University, 6:15 - 7:45 p.m.

Thursday, May 15

Beginner's Line Dancing II, 9:30 - 11:30 p.m.
Lectio Divina, 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Thursday Table Talk, 12 - 1 p.m.

Friday, May 16

Kindergarten Graduation, 9:20 - 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 18

Kirk & Kettle, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
One Service begins, 10 a.m.

New Members Class, May 17

Interested in becoming a member of First (Scots)? We are holding a new member's class **Saturday, May 17!** Call (843) 722-8882 to learn more or sign up.

Last Wednesday Night Supper & Taizé

Come gather to enjoy the last Wednesday Night Supper until Fall! 5:30 p.m. in Molly Wier Hall. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$25 for families.

Scan the QR code to
RSVP before
Tuesday at noon.



Menu

Chili, Baked Potato, Caesar
Salad, Dessert TBD

Kid's Menu

Cheese Quesadillas

Please join us also for our final Taizé Chapel service for this season!
We will resume Taizé services in September.

Scottish Country Dancing

Join Dr. Peter Sutton Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. on the third floor of the Massie Building for some Highland fun! Scottish Country Dancing Lessons are offered for children, but all are welcome. No experience is required.



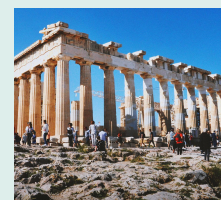
First (Scots) Tartan gear

We are now accepting orders for First (Scots) Tartan gear! You can choose from sashes, scarves, ties, and much more! We hope to have items delivered sometime in mid-August. To place your order, please scan the code below. Contact **Scarlett** for more information by calling the church office at (843) 722-8882. We also offer merchandise for other Tartans. More information in Kirk News or by calling the church office.



2026 Greece Pilgrimage

Join Drs. Siegling and Massie for an unforgettable pilgrimage to Greece and beyond from May 18 - 27, 2026! This inspiring journey includes stops in Thessaloniki, the Isle of Patmos, Ephesus, Corinth, Athens, and more, highlighting some of the places where Paul preached, wrote, and shaped the early Church. Experience the rich history of Biblical sites and deepen your faith through fellowship and reflection. This is a journey you won't want to miss. Spots are filling up quickly, so click the link below to sign up for this once-in-a-lifetime trip!





Vacation Bible School

Registration is now open for this year's Vacation Bible School!



Our VBS is from July 28 - August 1 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and open to children ages 4 years old to fifth grade. The cost to attend is \$75. The theme is "Road Trip: On the Go with God." Scan the QR code to sign up. Need help registering? Call (843) 722-8882 and ask for Scarlett or Dakota. We hope to see you there!

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

Join us at 7 a.m. most Tuesdays for a delicious breakfast and insightful discussion on Scripture.

Co-Ed Table Talk Bible Study

Come gather most Thursdays at noon and learn about the depth and beauty of the Word of the Lord.

Both of these Bible study groups are lead by Drs. Siegling and Sutton. 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? Contact Karen Kuhn in the church office by calling (843) 722-8882.



Job Opening!

2025-2026 Academic Year Assistant Kindergarten Teacher

This person will prepare students for entry into first grade. This teacher is responsible for working with the Lead Teacher developing and implementing a curriculum in an accelerated kindergarten program with an emphasis on phonics, writing, guided reading, and mathematics.

Please contact Jenn Cromwell at (843) 722-8882 or fspckindergarten@first-scots.org to learn more.

Spring Line Dancing

Put your boots on the ground and try a little line dancing!

Beginner's Line Dancing I are on the following Mondays: **May 12, 19 (5 - 7 p.m.)**

Beginner's Line Dancing II will be held on the following Thursdays: **May 15, 22, 29 (9:30 - 11:30 a.m.)**

All classes will be held in Molly Wier Hall.

Contact **Pam Arnett**

(pampagearnett@gmail.com) with questions!

Presbyterian Women May Circle Meeting



The Seekers Circle will meet on Wednesday, May 14 at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Cyndi Robbins for a lesson led by Sugar Slabaugh. All are welcome! For more information, contact Christy Siegling, sieglingchristy@gmail.com, or Betsy Middleton, epmiddleton230@gmail.com, Circle Co-Leaders. Don't forget about or PW Luncheon this Tuesday!



CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION



Last Sunday our congregation celebrated the Confirmation Class of 2025: Keller Barton, Hazel Bello, Oliver Bernard, Wooten Burwell, Bee Dollens, Charlie Gresham, Kenneth Johnson, James McDonald, Maddrey Moore, Mary Caroline Siegling, and Wit Thaxton. Special thanks to the confirmation class leaders, John McNeill and Jim Tuemler, as well as the confirmation mentors, Mandi Herring Bello, Ben Hess, Katie Marko, Betsy Martin, John McNeill, Ashley Nutley, Shannon Ravenel, Martha Ann Siegling, Caroline Smith, Mikell Thaxton, and Keri Wooten. In addition, tartan Bible bookmarks were provided by our Prayer Shawl Committee and a reception was coordinated by the Fellowship Committee. What a special day!

KIRK AND KETTLE, SUNDAY, MAY 18 FROM 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

All youth and youth advisors are invited to help with this special church-wide event. Following the 11 a.m. lunch, youth and youth advisors are hosting games and serving treats in the Kirk House courtyard and driveway. Volunteers are needed to help set up, lead games, give out treats, and clean up this special event. Be on the lookout for a SignUpGenius where you can sign up to support this event and then join us on May 18!



For Youth info and Sign ups, scan the QR code!



(Photo by Jack Crawford)

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Can - tad al Se - ñor, can - tad al Se - ñor!
 Can - tad al Se - ñor, can - tad al Se - ñor!
 Can - tad al Se - ñor, can - tad al Se - ñor!
 O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
 O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
 And sing to our God, and sing to our God.

For the Beauty of the Earth

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Folliott Sanford Pierpoint, 1864

Conrad Kocher, 1838
 Abr. William Henry Monk, 1861
 Harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

1. For the beau-ty of the earth, For the glo-ry of the skies,
 2. For the won-der of each hour Of the day and of the night,
 3. For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's de-light,
 4. For the joy of hu-man love, Broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,

For the love which from our birth O-ver and a-round us lies,
 Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light,
 For the mys-tic har-mo-ny Link-ing sense to sound and sight,
 Friends on earth, and friends a-bove, For all gen-tle thoughts and mild,

Refrain

Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grate-ful praise.

5. For Thy church that evermore
 Lifteth holy hands above,
 Offering up on every shore

Her pure sacrifice of love,
 Lord of all, to Thee we raise
 This our hymn of grateful praise.

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Now Thank We All Our God

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Martin Rinkart, c. 1636

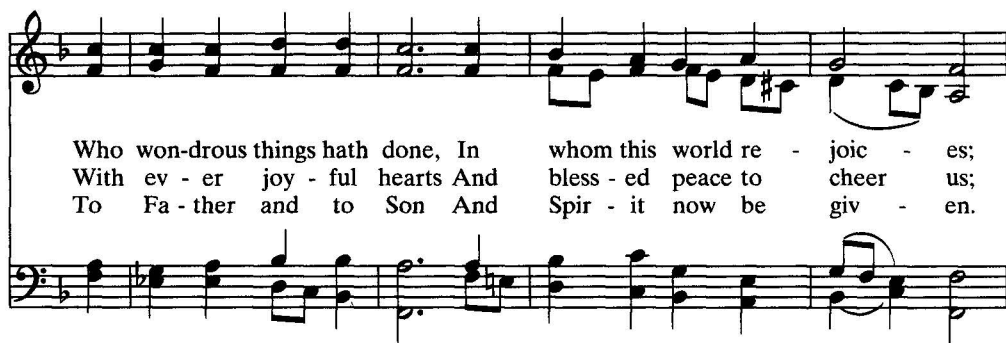
Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt.

Stanza 3, *Rejoice in the Lord*, 1985

Johann Crüger, 1648

Harm. adapt. *Lobegesang*, Felix Mendelssohn, 1840


1. Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voic - es,
 2. O may this boun - teous God Through all our life be near us,
 3. All praise and thanks to God, Who reigns in high - est heav - en,



Who won-drous things hath done, In whom this world re - joic - es;
 With ev - er joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us;
 To Fa - ther and to Son And Spir - it now be giv - en.



Who, from our moth - ers' arms, Hath blessed us on our way
 And keep us in God's grace, And guide us when per - plexed,
 The one e - ter - nal God, Whom heaven and earth a - dore,



With count-less gifts of love, And still is ours to - day.
 And free us from all ills In this world and the next.
 The God who was, and is, And shall be ev - er - more.

418 God, Bless Your Church with Strength!

ICH HALTE TREULICH STILL SMD

John A. Dalles, 1984

Attr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1736

1. God, bless Your church with strength! Wher - ev - er we may be,
 2. God, bless Your church with life! May all our branch-es thrive,
 3. God, bless Your church with hope! De - spite cha-ot - ic days,

Up - build Your ser - vants as we work In com-mon min - is - try.
 Un - blem-ished, whole-some, bear-ing fruit, A - bun-dant - ly a - live.
 May we in cha - os shine to light A path-way through life's maze.

Urge us from fledg-ling faith To ven-ture and to soar Through
 From You, one ho - ly vine, In free-dom may we grow; Sus -
 May jus - tice be our aim, And kind-ness ours to share, In

o - pen skies, to sing the praise Of Christ whom we a - dore.
 tain us in our mis-sion, Lord, Your love and peace to show.
 hum - ble-ness O may we walk, As - sured our God is there!

Alternate tune: DIADEMATA, 151

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