

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

MAY 18, 2025 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. PETER R. B. SUTTON
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THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“What Wondrous Love is This”

“Hark, the Glad Sound!”

Handbell Choir

arr. Susan Geschke

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

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“Rejoice in the Lord Always”

Kirk Choir

Christopher Wiggins

†CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, sun and moon, all you shining stars!

All: Let all creation praise the name of the Lord, for God's name alone is to be exalted!

One: Behold, the dwelling place of God is with His people. God will wipe away every tear and make all things new.

All: We lift our voices to the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the one who gathers, renews, equips, and sends us.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Hymn No. 455

PRAYER OF ADORATION

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, you make all things new and call us to sing your praise, yet all too often, O Lord, we do not reflect the newness of life that you have given us, and we fail to lift our voices above a whisper. Forgive us, Merciful God. Wipe away the old that keeps us from you; renew our hearts, open our minds, and give us spirits ready to reveal your grace. Gather us now - young and old, long-time members and newcomers - into your joyful household of faith. In the name of Jesus Christ, our risen 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”

Peter Scholtes

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 may 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.*

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.

And together we'll spread the News that God is in our land. (Chorus)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Matt Spath

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Psalm 148
New Testament: Revelation 21:1-6

(pew Bible, page 508)
(pew Bible, page 1008)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"FROM KIRK TO KETTLE"

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

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

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

"Jubilate Deo"
Kirk Choir

Peter Anglea

†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

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Hymn No. 263

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

John Rutter

†POSTLUDE

"Fanfare in B-Flat Major"

Charles Ore

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

FLOWERS: *The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Jon and Hayley Carter in honor of their 32nd wedding anniversary.*

FIRST (SCOTS) 2024/25 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND SHEPHERDS

PRESCHOOL: Trish McCallister, Beverly Sumner, JoJo Mauldin

K - 5TH TEACHERS: Ginger Liner, Maria Darby, Rebecca Compton, Laura and Brent Sausser, Tap and Legare Gresham, Catie Smith, Anne Jackson, Chantal Byrne, Pam and Bob Arnett, Laura Greaver, JoJo Mauldin

K - 5TH SHEPHERDS: Christina Goodear, Margaret Todd Truluck, Anna McCubrey, Sarah Thornton, Ansley Feussner, Pam Wall

6TH - 7TH GRADE TEACHERS: Courtney Buxton, Betsy Martin, Steve and Jenks Bailey

HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS: Laura and Andy Beall, Louisa Dunn, Ali and Byron Frick

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 docent is Karen Prewitt.

HANDBELL RINGERS: Candace Brace, Anne Lewis, Elizabeth MacAnally, Helen Reid, Anne Smith, Caroline Barnes

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETER:

Jon Carter, Matt Spath

USHERS:

Jim Buckley (Captain), Tap Gresham,
Jon Bolt, Chase McNair, Janice Culp

DEACONS:

Emily Warr (Lead Deacon), Gene Childers

BEADLE:

Whit Smith

LAY READER:

Matt Spath

MEDIA MINISTRY: Matt Bucknam

ELDER ON CALL: (May 19 - 25) - Whit Smith (843) 514-2948

DEACON ON CALL: (May 19 - 25) - Anna Smith (843) 729-9241

PASTOR ON CALL: (May 19 - 25) - The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton (843) 805-2506



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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
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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

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



Calendar of Events, May 19 - 25

Monday, May 19

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1 - 3 p.m.

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

Beginner's Line Dancing I, 5 - 7 p.m.

Christian Education Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Congregational Care Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.

Session and Diaconate Meeting, 6 p.m.

Session Meeting, 7 p.m.

Diaconate Meeting, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 20

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, 7 - 8 a.m.

Worship Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 21

Scottish Country Dancing, 4:30 - 5:15 p.m.

Thursday, May 22

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.

Charlestowne Assoc. Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.



Join us! All are invited following the 10 a.m. worship service!

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!

The poster has a patriotic theme with a background of stars and stripes. On the left, there is a faint image of the Statue of Liberty. The top section contains the event title in bold blue and red fonts, followed by a row of stars. The main title "MEMORIAL Day Concert" is prominently displayed, with "MEMORIAL" in large blue serif letters and "Day Concert" in a red script font. Below this are stylized fireworks in blue, white, and red. The date and time "MAY 26 • 12PM" are written in large blue letters. The venue information "FIRST SCOTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH" and "53 MEETING STREET, CHARLESTON" follows, separated by another row of stars. The conductor and other performers' names are listed below, also separated by rows of stars. The featured guest speaker's name and his relation to General George S. Patton are listed next. A row of stars separates the performer list from the ticket information. At the bottom left is a QR code, and at the bottom right is the website address. The entire design is framed by a large, curved graphic element resembling the American flag's stripes and stars.

PICCOLO SPOLETO FESTIVAL

CHARLESTON MEN'S CHORUS

PRESENTS

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MEMORIAL

Day Concert

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FIRST SCOTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 MEETING STREET, CHARLESTON

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RICARD BORDAS, CONDUCTOR

ADAM SHEPHERD, ASSISTANT CONDUCTOR

PAMELA O. NELSON, PIANO

BRASS AND PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

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FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER

GEORGE PATTON WATERS

GRANDSON OF GENERAL GEORGE S. PATTON

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Buy Tickets



General Admission \$25
Students \$10
Children (10 & Under) Free

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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.



Congratulations to the students who have completed the program at First (Scots) Presbyterian Kindergarten. Closing exercises were held on Friday, May 16th.

Kathryn Ellerbe Becker*, Marion Gaillard Greaver*, James Camp Hagood, Miller Marvin Henderson*, Elliott Millard Kratz, Sawyer Grace McChesney, Henry Walls McIntire, Henry Harris Moniz*, Grace Croghan Ramsay*, Rose Randolph Riley, Shane Patrick Scott, Sumner Tillie Sigal*, Richard Philipp Owings von Marschall, Margaret Elizabeth Wagoner, David Edmund Ravenel Welch

*Denotes Church Members

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 19 (5 - 7 p.m.)**

Beginner's Line Dancing II will be held on the following Thursdays: **May 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 Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 6



The Presbyterian Women Board will meet on Tuesday, June 3 at 9:30 a.m. in the Massie Building Conference Room. For additional information, please contact Jane Davis, birdgirl59@yahoo.com.

1731 Legacy Society



If you are not a 1731 Legacy Fund Member, we hope you hear the call to become one. You can contact Bill Prewitt directly (843-620-0158 or wmcprewitt@gmail.com).

If you are already a 1731 member, we welcome you to consider a renewal of your commitment.



AUCTION FUNDRAISER SUCCESS!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 17th Annual Youth Mission Auction & Sale. The \$14,500 that was raised will enable thirty-four youth and adults to serve in Paradise, California, and Charlotte, North Carolina, this summer. Special thanks to Mark and Joanne Zuraw (Auction Coordinators), Bert Hudnall (Live Auctioneer), Sarah Wiggins (Silent Auctioneer), Ashley Harper (Cash and Carry Leader), and the many others whose hard work enabled a successful event.

KIRK AND KETTLE, TODAY FROM 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

All youth and youth advisors are invited to help with this special churchwide event. Following the 10 a.m. worship service and 11am lunch, youth and youth advisors are hosting games of nine square in the air and gaga ball as well as giving out ice cream from the Kirk Café courtyard window. Volunteers are needed to help set up, lead games, give out ice cream, and clean up this special event. In addition, donations of individually wrapped ice cream treats are also welcome. Please use the Kirk and Kettle SignUpGenius to sign up to help. And then join us for the party on May 18! Please note this churchwide event replaces the previously scheduled youth group event for this Sunday.



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

455 All Creatures of Our God and King

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Francis of Assisi, 1225

Trans. and para. William Henry Draper, c. 1910; alt.

Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623; alt.

Harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Unison

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voice
 2. Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail
 3. Thou flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, Make mu-sic for
 4. Thou fer-tile earth, that day by day Un-fold-est bless-

Harmony

and with us sing, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 in heaven a-long, O sing ye! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 thy Lord to hear, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 ings on your way, O sing ye! Al-le-lu-ia!

Unison

Thou burn-ing sun with gold-en beam, Thou sil-ver moon with
 Thou ris-ing morn, in praise re-joice, Ye lights of eve-ning,
 Thou fire so mas-ter-ful and bright, That giv-est us both
 The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, Let them God's glo-ry

Harmony

soft-er gleam, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 find a voice!
 warmth and light,
 al-so show!

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Unison



5. And everyone of tender heart,
 Forgiving others, take your part.
 O sing ye! Alleluia!
 Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
 Praise God and cast on God your care!
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

6. All creatures, your Creator bless,
 And worship God in humbleness.
 O sing ye! Alleluia!
 Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
 And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

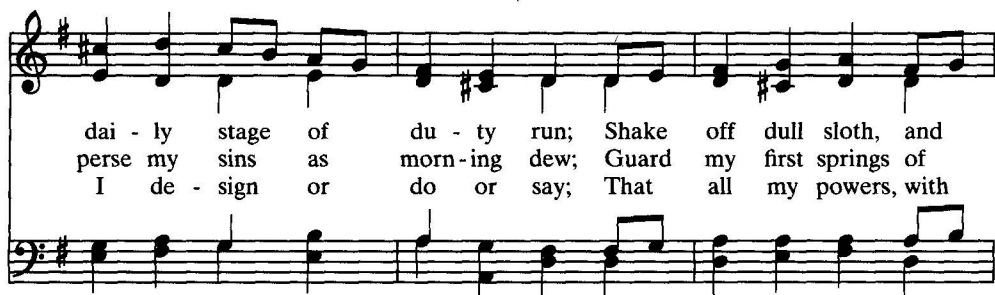
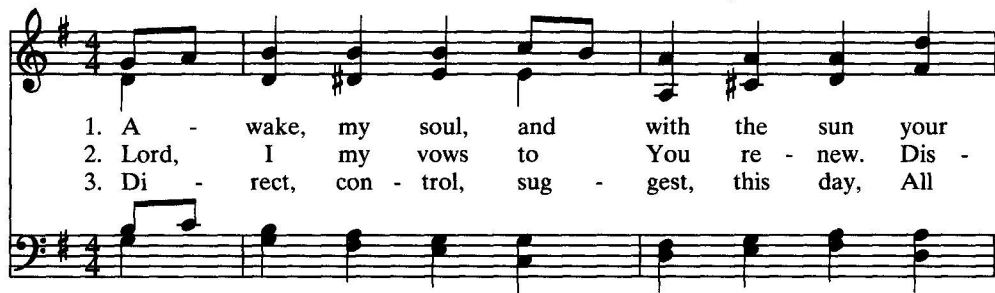
Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun 456


MORNING HYMN LM

François Hippolyte Barthélémon, 1785

As in *The Church Hymnal*
 for the Christian Year, 1917

Thomas Ken, 1695; alt.





In vain we seek for rest, for joy, For sense of hu - man worth.
 Af - firm You God In - car - nate still And turn sad hearts to You!
 In - spire Your church with love and power To ease our cit - ies' pain!
 O come, Lord Je - sus, bring to earth The cit - y of our God!

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CHURCH: UNIVERSAL

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

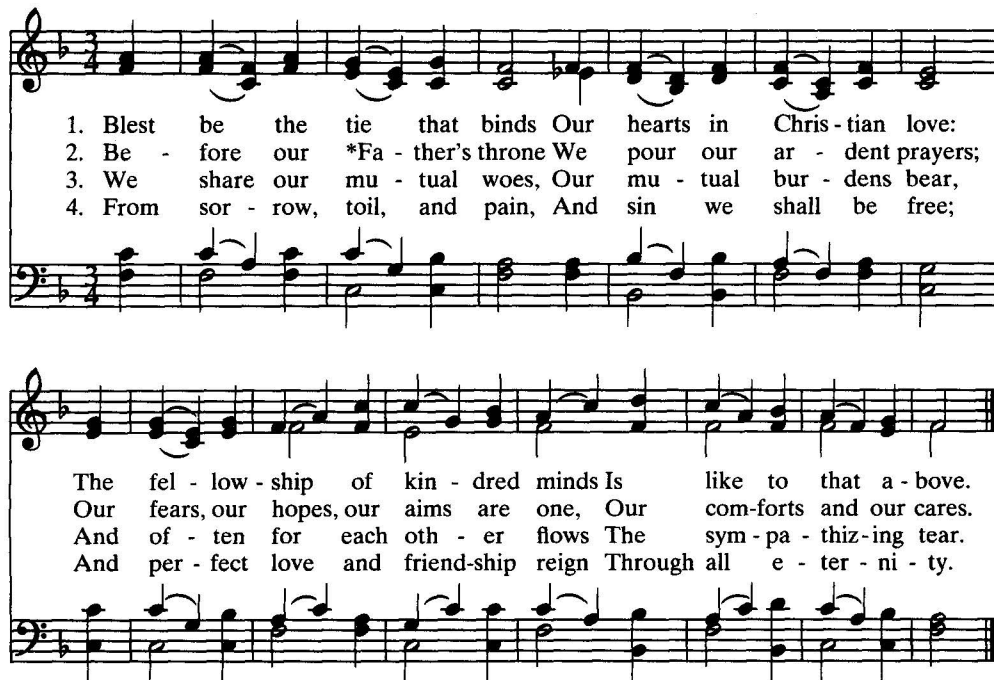
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DENNIS SM

John Fawcett, 1782

Johann Georg Nägeli (1773-1836)

Arr. Lowell Mason, 1845



1. Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love:
 2. Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;
 3. We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
 4. From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free;

The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
 Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.
 And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 And per - fect love and friend - ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

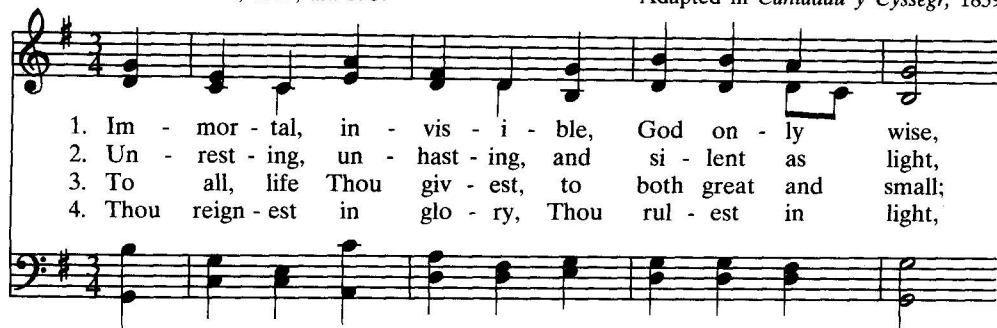
*Or "Maker's."

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

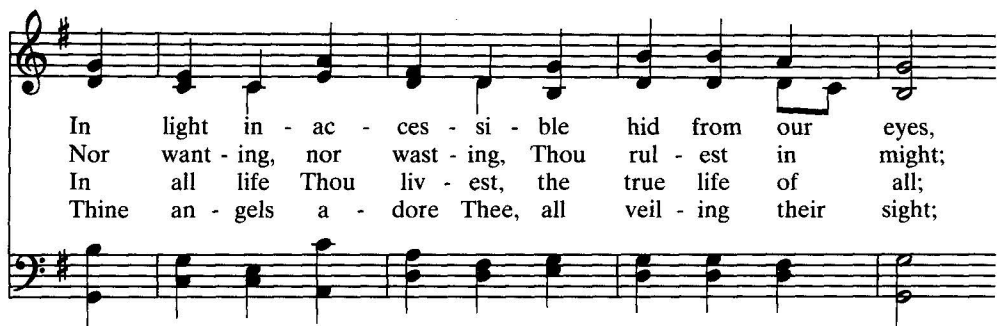
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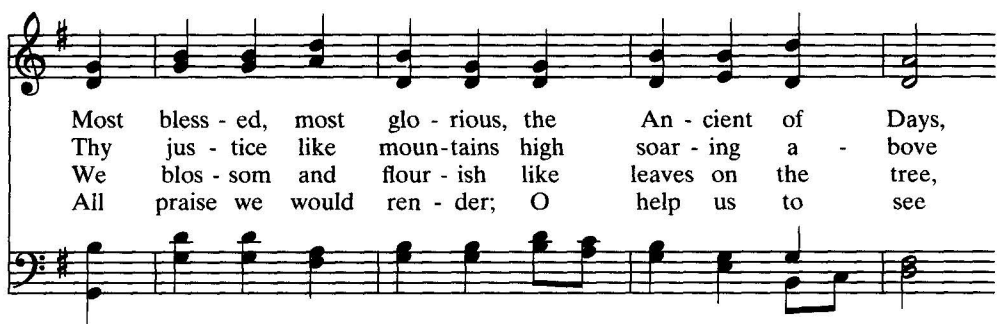
Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867; alt. 1987

Welsh folk melody
Adapted in *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839


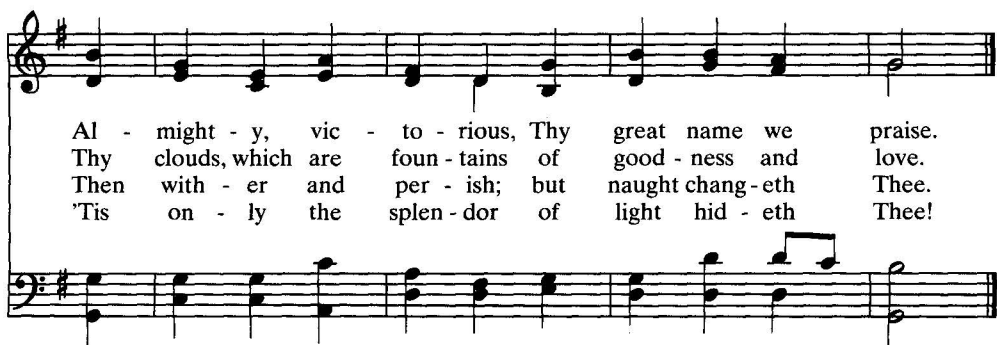
1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry, Thou rul - est in light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
 In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
 Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 Then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth Thee.
 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!