

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 4, 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
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PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

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THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“In Thee Is Gladness”

Dale Wood

(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

Youth Mission Auction Fundraiser

Bert Hudnall (8:45)
Wit Thaxton (11:15)

CHORAL INTROIT

“Christ is Our Cornerstone”

David Thorne

Katherine Clarkson, Soprano; Timmi Winston, Mezzo-Soprano (8:45)
Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

One: Come, all you living stones, built upon Christ, the Cornerstone.

All: We come as a community of faith, not built with hands but with hearts of love.

One: As treasured memorials reminded us of God's faithfulness in the past,

All: may our worship this day serve as a living testimony to the God who continues to build us together in love.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Hymn No. 417

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, you are the foundation upon which our lives are built, yet we confess that we often choose our own way. We have sought stability in things that crumble and purpose in things that fade. Forgive us, O Lord, when we ignore the witness of those who came before us and fail to prepare the way for those who will follow. By Your mercy, rebuild us. Remind us that we are your living stones, a spiritual house built for your praise. 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

“Sanctuary”

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.
(Repeat)*

† Those who are able, please stand.

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

Pam Arnett (8:45)

Courtney Buxton (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Joshua 4:1-9

(pew Bible, page 170)

New Testament: 1 Peter 2:1-10

(pew Bible, page 984)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"LIVING STONES"

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.

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers (11:15)

THE WELCOME

The people respond, saying: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us
in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"The Church's One Foundation"

Hymn No. 442

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

"I Will Sing With the Spirit"

John Rutter

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

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

David Wilcocks

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 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Hymn No. 356

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Alleluia, Amen”

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

†POSTLUDE

“Toccata in F Major”

Dietrich Buxtehude

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

Flowers: *The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Sally and Bill Raver in loving memory of their mothers.*

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 Nonie Crosby (8:45) and Harold Davis (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER:

John Robinson

8:45 A.M. USHERS:

John White, Sr. (Captain), David McCormack,
Margaret McCormack, Ryan Glenn, Grayson Glenn

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

Debbie Rice-Marko (Lead Deacon), John White, Sr.

8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Henry Hay III

8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Pam Arnett

COFFEE GREETER:

Kathy Rhodes

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Jane McNeill, Maggie Wall

11:15 A.M. USHERS:

Jim Buckley (Captain), Tap Gresham, Chase McNair,
Jon Bolt, Jon Carter, Greg Sheppard

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Emily Warr (Lead Deacon), Susannah Spath

11:15 A.M. BEADLE:

Harry Robbins

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Courtney Buxton

ELDER ON CALL: (May 5 - 11) - Bob George (843) 343-7203

DEACON ON CALL: (May 5 - 11) - Kathy Rhodes (843) 856-8358

PASTOR ON CALL: (May 5 - 11) - Pastor Mary B. Robinson (843) 872-1527



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!



Calendar of Events May 5 - 11

Monday, May 5

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.

Tuesday, May 6

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

Wednesday, May 7

Women's Bible Study, 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Wednesday Night Chapel Service, 5 - 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Supper, 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.
Youth Auction Fundraiser, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Kirk Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Cancer Companions, 6:15 - 8 p.m.
Financial Peace University, 6:15 - 7:45 p.m.

Thursday, May 8

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.
World Missions Meet and Greet, 3 - 5 p.m.

Sunday, May 11

6th & 7th Grade Class, 10 - 11 a.m.
High School Youth Class, 10 - 11 a.m.
Dan Adams Class, 10 - 11 a.m.
The Mere Christian Class, 10 - 11 a.m.
Young Adult/Parenting Class, 10 - 11 a.m.
Wired Word Class, 10 - 11 a.m.

Wednesday Night Supper & Youth Auction

Come gather to enjoy the simple pleasure of a meal with friends and stay for the Youth Mission Auction. This event supports our mission trips in California and North Carolina! 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

Chicken Tenders, Mac &
Cheese, Mixed Green
Salad, Garlic Green Beans,
Peach Cobbler



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.

This week, we will have
information for items of various
tartans available to you.



Presbytery Blessing Box

We are collecting donations for the Presbytery Blessing Box. You may give food items that are non-perishable for those in need. Place items in the box in Molly Wier Hall. Thank you.



Contact **Hank Martin** at
(843) 670-3281 or **Shary Dillon**
at (843) 906-1074 to learn more.



Calling all Women of First (Scots)!



You are invited to the Presbyterian Women's Birthday Luncheon on **Tuesday, May 13 at 11:30 a.m.** in Molly Wier Hall. This event will feature guest speaker Dr. Otis Pickett, Ph.D. of Clemson University. Dr. Pickett will discuss the effect Lowcountry Presbyterians have had on Upstate South Carolina.



To RSVP, please scan the QR code below or visit www.first-scots.org. Price of admission for this event is \$25, payable through cash or check (deliverable to church office or Sunday offering plate, c/o Kathy Davis). Please make checks out to "Presbyterian Women of First (Scots) and write "PW Birthday Luncheon" on the memo line. Childcare will be provided, but you must let us know by **April 30** if needed. We hope you'll join us! The **deadline to sign up is Friday, May 9!**



Scots on the Go May 8, Penn Center Tour



On **Thursday, May 8**, the Scots on the Go take a tour of Penn Center, followed by lunch in historic Beaufort, SC. Register soon because we will reserve a bus for the trip. **We depart First (Scots) at 9:30 a.m. and return at 3 p.m.**

For over a century, the Penn Center National Historic Landmark District has been central to education, historic preservation, and social justice for the Gullah people.

After the tour we will have a Dutch-treat lunch in downtown Beaufort. **The cost is \$55 plus lunch.** A maximum of 23 people may sign up for the trip. Scan the QR code to sign up!



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 is 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." We hope to see you there! Scan the QR code to sign up. If you need help registering, call (843) 722-8882 and ask for Scarlett or Dakota.



*First Scots
Presbyterian Kindergarten*



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.

For more information or to apply, please contact Jenn Cromwell, Kindergarten Director, at (843) 722-8882 or fspckindergarten@first-scots.org

Cancer Companions

Cancer Companions is a 9-week support group meeting **Wednesday nights at 6:15 p.m.** in the second floor conference room. This group offers guidance and assistance to anyone who has dealt with cancer, whether personally or with a loved one. For more information or to register, you may contact **Pastor Mary Robinson (843) 722-8882 or mrobinson@first-scots.org** or **Dr. Holly Wise, cancer survivor, at (843) 442-7632 or wisehh@muscc.edu**.



Consider joining us for a weekly candlelight Taizé service. Taizé services are held **Wednesday evenings** in Lilly Chapel beginning at **5 p.m.** and lasting for 30 minutes. With roots in the Christian monastic tradition, Taizé offers worshipers a uniquely contemplative and meditative service consisting of song, prayer, scripture, and communion. Join us in discovering a different side to Christian worship.

Taizé

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

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

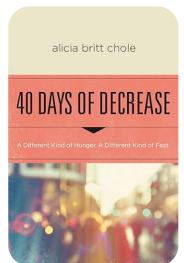
Co-Ed Table Talk Bible Study

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.

Ladies Wednesday Bible Study

Join us on **Wednesday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in Room 203** for *40 Days of Decrease - A Different Kind of Hunger. A Different Kind of Fast*. This reflective study, **running through May 14**, invites participants to explore weekly scripture passages, engage in journaling, and practice meaningful daily fasts. Each session includes group discussion on the challenges and insights from the devotional. To learn more, please **contact Amy Shubert at ashubert27@gmail.com**.



Join us **Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in room 227** for a study of *The Hardest Part: Hurt We Carry, Hope We Find* by Kate Bowler. This study, **lasting until May 6**, helps us reflect on and embrace the many feelings Lent brings, acknowledging the hardships while holding out hope for the future. A free PDF is available, or a hard copy can be had for \$12. The study is led by **Ruthie Edwards (halfsouthern1@gmail.com)**, **Martha Jane Hudnall (mj.hudnall@comcast.net)**, & Elizabeth Snyder. You can learn more by emailing either leader.

Women's Tuesday Bible Study

World Missions Meet and Greet

Please join the World Missions Committee for a meet and greet on Thursday, May 8 at 3 p.m. in room 227/228 of the Massie Building. Dr. Daniel Dyer, a medical missionary serving in Papua New Guinea, will join us to share information and insight into the work he performs. Dr. Dyer is the nephew of First (Scots) members Jane and John McNeill. To learn more about the work of the First (Scots) world missions committee, please email Jack Callahan at jack@floydbrace.com



Spring Line Dancing

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

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

Beginner's Line Dancing II will be held on the following Thursdays: **May 8, 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!

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY



Those participating in this year's confirmation class will be welcomed by the congregation today, May 4 at the 11:15 a.m. service. Following worship everyone is invited to the sanctuary portico for light refreshments and a time to greet the confirmation class. Confirmation Class of 2025 Participants: Keller Barton, Hazel Bello, Oliver Bernard, Wooten Burwell, Bee Dollens, Charlie Gresham, Kenneth Johnson, James McDonald, Maddrey Moore, Mary Caroline Siegling, and Wit Thaxton. Confirmation Class Leaders are John McNeill, James Rogers, and Jim Tuemler.



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

YOUTH GROUP, TODAY FROM 5 - 7 P.M.

On May 4, all high school and middle school youth are invited to help set up the Youth Mission Auction and Sale which will be held on Wednesday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m. This fundraiser supports our youth mission teams serving this summer in Paradise, California and Charlotte, North Carolina, and we need your help to reach our fundraising goal. After enjoying dinner together, we will bring items from the third floor storage room down to Molly Wier Hall. Please wear closed toe shoes. After our project ends at 7 p.m., our mission teams will continue to meet until 7:30 p.m.



NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE YOUTH AUCTION ON MAY 7

We are now accepting donations for our annual Youth Mission Auction and Sale on Wednesday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m. This event raises money for the mission trips our youth participate in yearly.

LIVE AUCTIONEER: Bert Hudnall

SUGGESTED ITEMS

Antiques	Small Furniture	Plants & Planters
Art Supplies	Frozen Casseroles	Professional Services
Baby Sitting	Garden Items	Unopened Perfume & Cologne
Baked Goods	Harbor Tours	Restaurant Gift Cards
Bicycles	Jewelry	Rugs
Boats & Water Sport Items	Kitchen Items	Sports Equipment
Bric-a-Brac	Ladies Purses & Hats	Sports Tickets
China	Lamps	Store Gift Certificates
Computer Services	Legal Services	Tools
Crystal	Music Lessons	Toys
Decorating Items	Original Art	Tutoring & Lessons
DVD's	Party Services	Vacation Rentals

Please, no Clothes, Large Appliances, Guns, VCR items, Books, Large Exercise Equipment, or Sofas.

All items should be in good condition!

This event features Supper, Silent Auction, & Live Auction. Door Prizes are \$250 cash and a \$200 Target Gift Card. Contact **Mark Zuraw** at (843) 822-3470 for large donation pick-ups and questions and contact **Dakota Carte** at (843) 722-8882 for donation drop-off information.

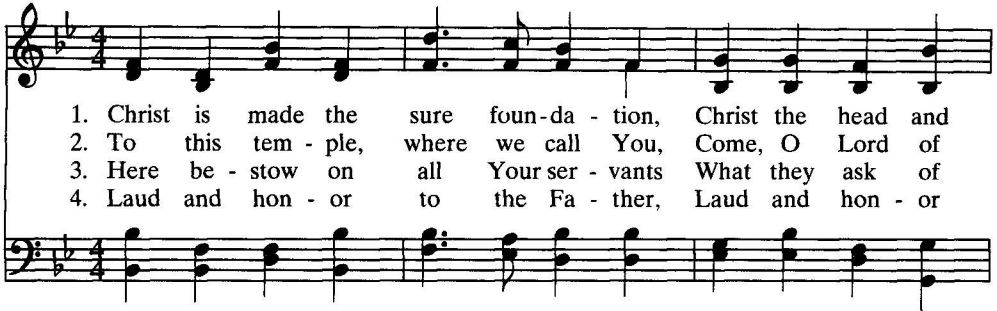
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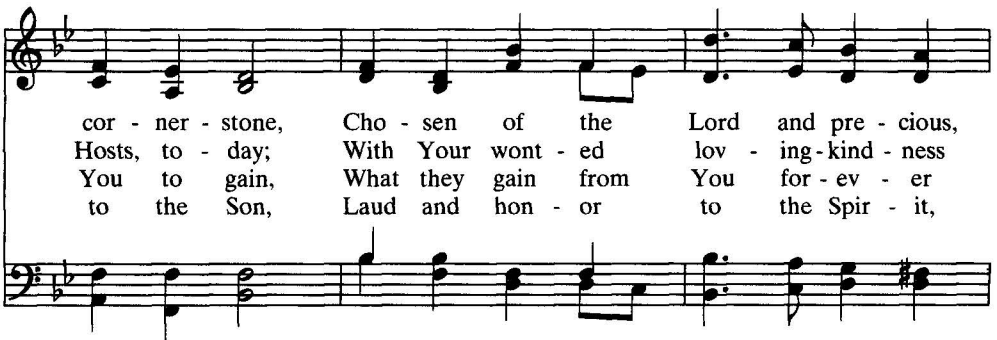
7th century, Latin

Trans. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt. 1861, 1972

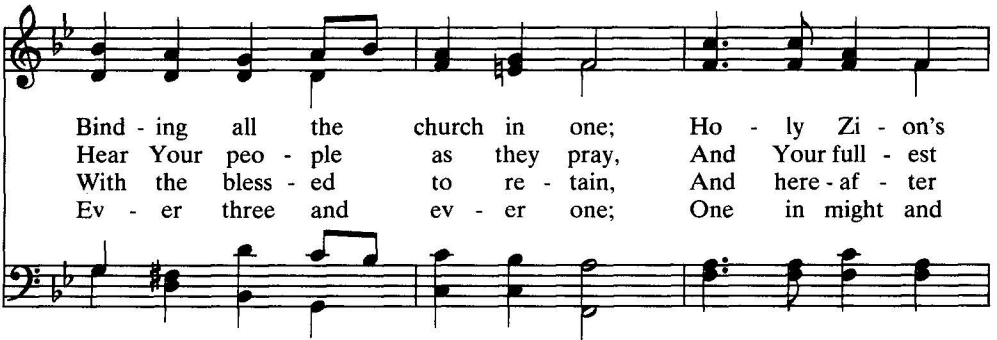
Henry Thomas Smart, 1867



1. Christ is made the sure foun-da - tion, Christ the head and
 2. To this tem - ple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of
 3. Here be - stow on all Your ser - vants What they ask of
 4. Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Laud and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 Hosts, to - day; With Your wont - ed lov - ing-kind - ness
 You to gain, What they gain from You for - ev - er
 to the Son, Laud and hon - or to the Spir - it,



Bind - ing all the church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
 Hear Your peo - ple as they pray, And Your full - est
 With the bless - ed to re - tain, And here - af - ter
 Ev - er three and ev - er one; One in might and



help for - ev - er, And our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in Your glo - ry Ev - er - more with You to reign.
 one in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run.

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The Church's One Foundation

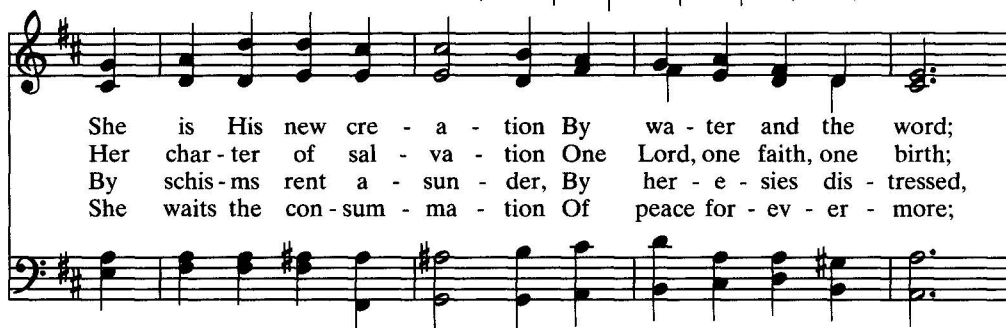
Samuel John Stone, 1866; alt.

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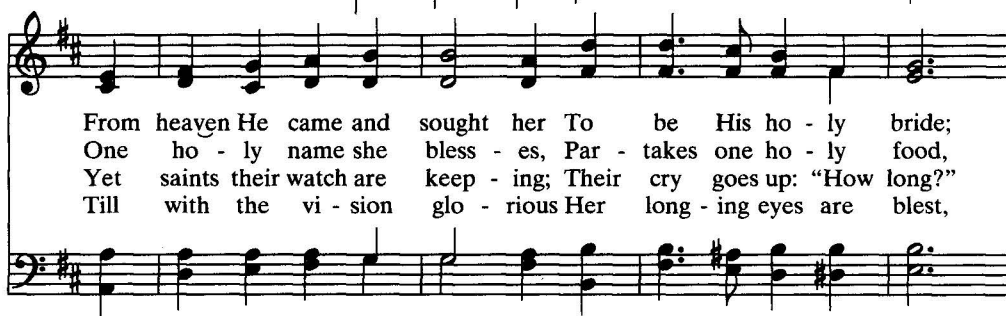
Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864



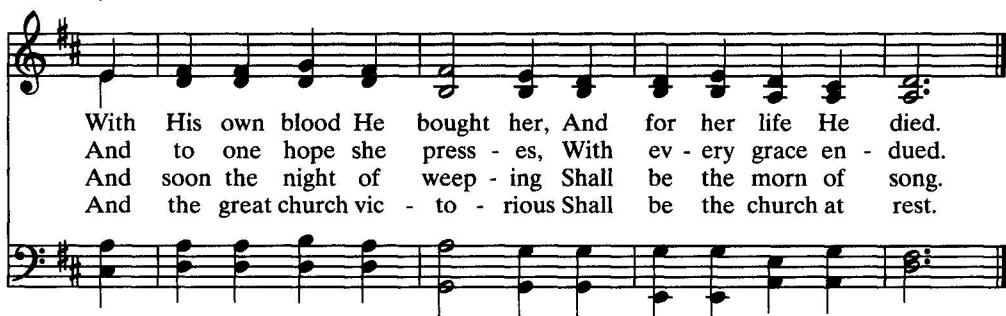
1. The chur - ch's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
 2. E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth,
 3. Though with a scorn-ful won - der This world sees her op - pressed,
 4. Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, And tu - mult of her war,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the word;
 Her char - ter of sal - va - tion One Lord, one faith, one birth;
 By schis - ms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more;



From heaven He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
 Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up: "How long?"
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
 And to one hope she press - es, With ev - ery grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.
 And the great church vic - to - rious Shall be the church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth has union
 With God the Three in One,
 And mystic sweet communion
 With those whose rest is won:

O happy ones and holy!
 Lord, give us grace that we,
 Like them, the meek and lowly,
 May live eternally.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 356

Robert Robinson, c. 1758

1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Tune: NETTLETON, opposite.

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee 357

Washington Gladden, 1879

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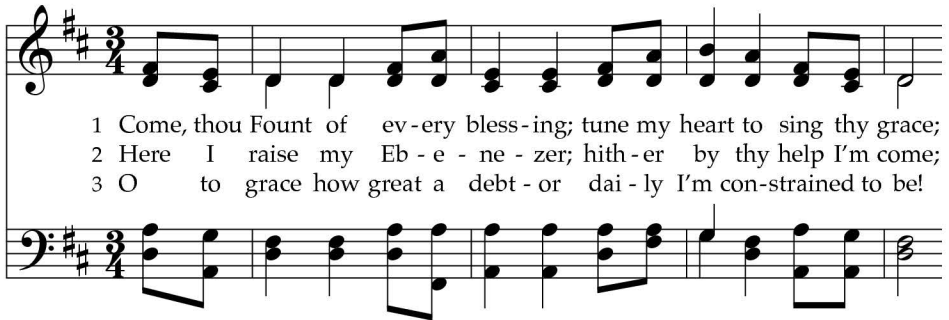
Henry Percy Smith, 1874

1. O Mas - ter, let me walk with Thee In low - ly
2. Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear,
3. Teach me Thy pa - tience; still with Thee In clos - er,
4. In hope that sends a shin - ing ray Far down the

paths of ser - vice free; Tell me Thy se - cret;
win - ning word of love; Teach me the way - ward
dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith
fu - ture's broad - ening way; In peace that on - ly

help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.
feet to stay, And guide them in the home - ward way.
sweet and strong, In trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
Thou canst give, With Thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475



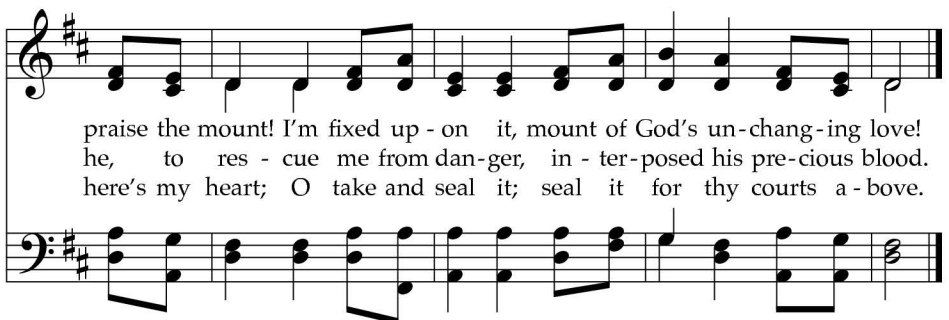
1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.