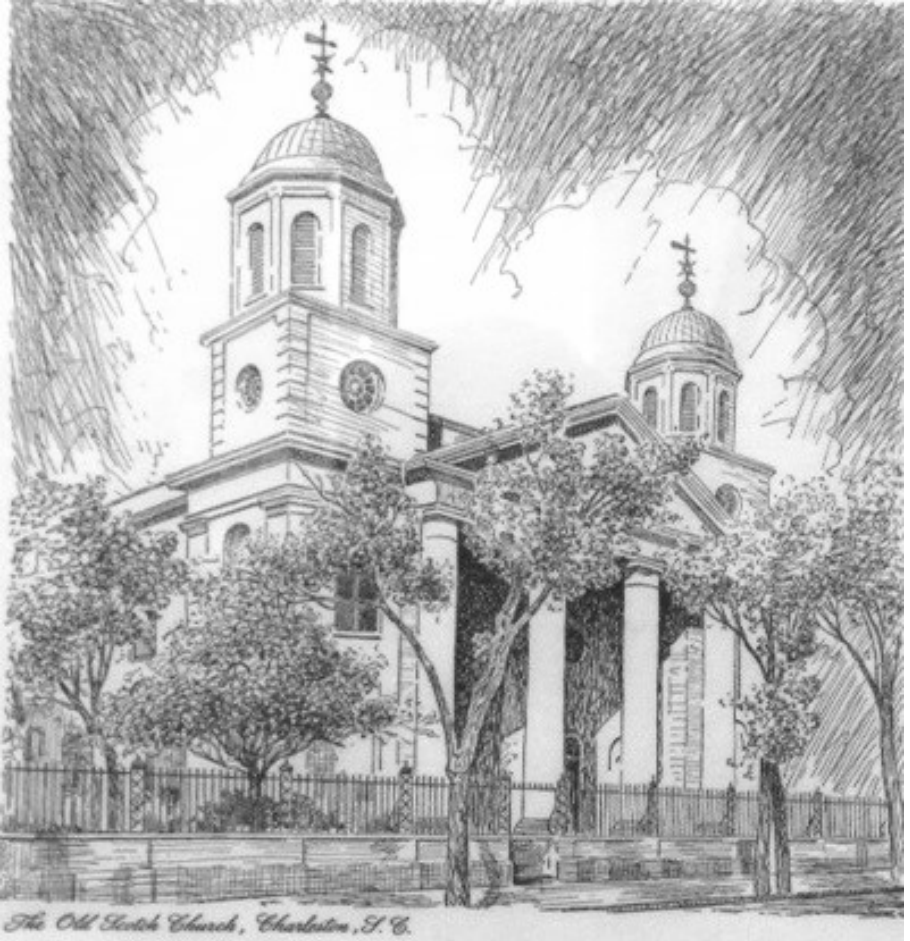


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*September 12, 1967 - June 4, 2025*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 7, 2025

2 p.m.

PRELUDE

“Abide With Me”

Robert Hobby

†FAMILY PROCESSIONAL

“How Great Thou Art”

†WELCOME

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

†CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the  
crushed in spirit.

**All: We come with heavy hearts, yet we trust in God’s  
unfailing love.**

One: In sorrow and in hope, we turn to the One who is our  
refuge and strength.

**All: Come, let us worship the Lord, our comfort and our  
salvation.**

†HYMN

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Hymn No. 276

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Unison)

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

**O God, before whom generations rise and pass away, we praise  
you for all your servants who, having lived this life in faith, now  
live eternally with you. Especially we thank you for your servant  
Jodi, whose baptism is now complete in death. We praise you for  
the gift of her life and for all in her that was good and kind and  
faithful. We thank you that for Jodi death is past and pain ended,  
and that she has now entered the joy you have prepared; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS

† Those who are able, please stand.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

REMARKS FROM THE FAMILY

Ned Forney

†HYMN

“He Leadeth Me”

*He leadeth me! O blessed thought, O words with heav'nly comfort taught;  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. [Refrain]*

**Refrain:** *He leadeth me! He leadeth me! By His own hand He leadeth me;  
His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.*

*Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's flowers bloom,  
by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis His hand that leadeth me. [Refrain]*

*Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, nor ever murmur nor repine;  
content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadest me. [Refrain]*

*And when my task on Earth I done, when, by thy grace, the vict'ry's won,  
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since Thou in triumph leadest me. [Refrain]*

PERSONAL REMARKS

Father JohnBosco Ikemeh

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(Romans 8:35, 37-39; 2 Timothy 4:6-8; Philippians 4:4-9;  
John 14:1-3, 27; Galatians 5:22-25)

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**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.**

†HYMN

“Amazing Grace”

Hymn No. 280

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

FAMILY RECESSIONAL

“Deep River”

arr. Harry T. Burleigh

(Following the service, please join us for a reception in Molly Wier Hall.)



## **WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION**

The resurrection is a doctrine of the Christian faith and shapes Christians' attitudes and responses in the event of death. Death brings loss, sorrow, and grief to all. In the face of death, Christians affirm with tears and joy the hope of the Gospel. Christians do not bear bereavement in isolation but are sustained by the power of the Holy Spirit and the community of faith. The Service of Witness to the Resurrection is an affirmation of faith in God's love for all people, a love that strengthens and supports even in the midst of grief. In this service we bear witness to the sure and certain hope of eternal life, promised in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

## **ALSO PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Dr. Anthony Williams, Organist  
William Purcell, Soloist