

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 3, 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
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

THE REV. DR. DANIEL W. MASSIE
PASTOR EMERITUS

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10 A.M. SERVICE

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

"A Gospel Prelude"
Allison Boccia Williams, Piano

Charles Callahan

(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

CHORAL INTROIT

"O Praise the Lord, Be Joyful"
Summer Choir

George Frideric Handel
arr. Hal H. Hopson

†CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God of the past who whispered in the prophets' ears; who rescued us from sin's slavery:

All: We are here to thank you.

One: God of the future, who is tearing down the old world, and building your kingdom in our midst;

All: We are here because we trust you.

One: God of the present who, in the giftedness of our diversity, creates us to be one people;

All: We are here to praise you.

One: God of life that surprises us when we find it within us:

All: We celebrate your grace.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Hymn No. 482

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of the risen Christ, you broke the power of sin and evil. Yet we still live in the tombs of forgetfulness, anxiety and fear. We have failed to love you as we should. We have neglected to love our neighbor. In fact, we have even failed to love ourselves. Release us from the tombs that terrify us so we can see your image in one another and in your good creation. Truly, free us from the graves of self-hatred so we can see ourselves as your children. 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

"Holy Ground"
*These are holy hands, He's given us holy hands,
He works through these hands and so these hands are holy.
These are holy lips, he's given us holy lips
he speaks through these lips and so these lips are holy.*

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

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

THE TIME FOR TEENS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Linda Stout

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Hosea 11:1-11

(pew Bible, page 737)

New Testament: Luke 12:13-21

(pew Bible, page 847)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"I WISH YOU ENOUGH"

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

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

"Seek Ye First"

Hymn No. 333

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

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

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"
Summer Choir

J. S. Bach

†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

"Lord of All Good"

Hymn No. 375

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"In Perfect Peace"

K. Lee Scott

†POSTLUDE

"Divertissement"

Louis Vierne

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

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in gratitude for the wonderful staff at
First (Scots) Presbyterian Church from Jan and Tom Litton.*

*The red rose is in thanksgiving for the birth of Sophia Mary Francis Beall, who was born on Friday, July 11.
She is the daughter of Carolyn & Jackson Beall and the granddaughter of Laura & Andy Beall.*

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 David Warren.

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETERS: Shary Dillon, Clarissa McKenzie

LEMONADE IN THE SHADE: Ginger Liner

USHERS: Harold Davis (Captain), Todd Plaxco, Rob Dillon, Ben King, Adam Yount

DEACONS: Gene Childers (Lead Deacon), Porter Yount

BEADLE: Karolea Lucas

LAY READER: Linda Stout

MEDIA MINISTRY: Matt Bucknam

ELDER ON CALL: (August 4 - 10) - John Robinson (843) 696-9266

DEACON ON CALL: (August 4 - 10) - Ginger Liner (910) 512-5488

PASTOR ON CALL: (August 4 - 10) - The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton (843) 805-2506



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
Ashley DesChamps, Christian Education Assistant

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
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!



Join us on the portico after the service for some lemonade in the shade!



Interested in being an online greeter?

Are you interested in serving as an online greeter for the First (Scots) Facebook page on Sunday morning during the live stream service? Contact Jack or Scarlett in the church office at (843) 722-8882 to learn more!

Save the Date for S.T.E.P.S.

S.T.E.P.S.: Studying + Teaching + Equipping + Praying + Serving: is a wonderful opportunity for church members to enrich their faith and understanding of the church. S.T.E.P.S. will take place on Saturday, August 23. You can find registration information by scanning the QR code or on the presbytery website. Printed brochures have been mailed to the church. We hope to see you at S.T.E.P.S. 2025 exploring ways we can grow and share our faith.



Scan this code to sign up!



Calendar of Events August 4 - 10

Monday, August 4

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1 - 3 p.m.

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

Tuesday, August 5

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

Wednesday, August 6

Cancer Companion Book Club, 4 - 5:30 p.m.

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

Thursday, August 7

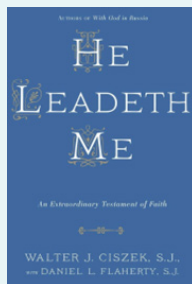
Lectio Divina, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, August 8

Coffee and Donuts, 9 - 9:30 a.m.

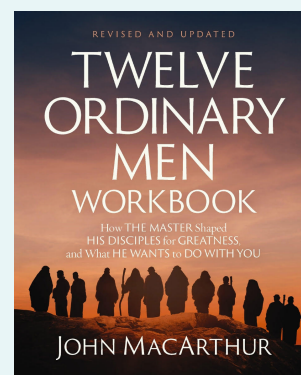
Cancer Companions Book Club

First (Scots) is launching a new book club this fall, inspired by the Cancer Companions group's desire to stay connected. The group will read *He Leadeth Me* by Walter J. Cizek, a moving story of faith and endurance through 20 years in Soviet prison camps.



Ned Forney will lead the discussions in honor of his late wife Jodi, beginning with an introductory session on Wednesday, August 6 from 4-5:30 p.m. in Room 224 of the Massie Building, followed by weekly meetings starting September 10. For more information, contact Holly Wise at (843) 442-7632 or wisehh@musc.edu, Ned Forney at (843) 793-9873, or Mary Robinson at (843) 722-8882.

Tuesday Evening Women's Fall Bible Study



Learn about the men who walked closest to Jesus during His earthly life. Look into Jesus' inner circle of the disciples: their selection, their training, their personalities, and their incredible impact. If Jesus can use these ordinary men, He can use us, too!

DATES: September 16 ~ November 18, 2025

TIME: 5:30 p.m. ~ 6:30 p.m.

ROOM: 203

WORKBOOK: Twelve Ordinary Men by John MacArthur (Revised and Updated, 2025)

RSVP: Martha Jane Hudnall (mj.hudnall@comcast.net) or Ruthie Edwards (halfsouthern1@gmail.com)

Usher request

Fall and Winter usher schedules are being prepared. Currently there is a need for ushers for both services. If you want to participate in the usher ministry of the church, please make a note on the friendship pads on Sunday or notify Keith Blake or Karen Kuhn this month. Ushers who are currently serving should have received an email notification confirming their date. The return to two services will occur on September 7th.



WE'RE GOING TO CAROWINDS!

On Tuesday, August 5 we're meeting at the Kirk House (62 King Street) at 8:30 a.m., traveling to Carowinds amusement park in Charlotte, NC, spending the day experiencing the rides and water park, and returning to the Kirk House at 11 p.m. Participants will need to pack a bag lunch to enjoy on the ride to Carowinds, bring money for dinner at Chick-fil-a on the way home, and submit a Youth Permission and Release Statement (if one isn't already on file at the church). Those that want to experience the waterpark should pack a bag that includes a swimsuit, sunscreen, towel, and money to share a locker (\$5). Register through Realm.



YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM PLANNING RETREAT



Each August, youth and adult youth advisors meet at the Kirk House to plan the upcoming year of youth ministry by selecting Sunday youth group activities, summer mission trip locations, and retreat opportunities. This year the group will meet on August 8-9 (6 p.m. on Friday to noon on Saturday). Want to know more about this opportunity? Please contact James Rogers.

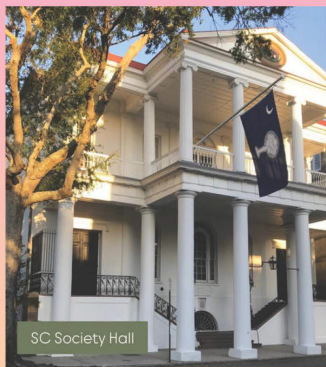


YOUTH GROUP LINKTREE

JOIN US FOR ONE OR BOTH OF OUR FALL GATHERINGS
HOSTED BY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW)

SEPTEMBER 23

ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH, VISITORS, AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME.
REFRESHMENTS AND LIGHT BITES PROVIDED, DOOR PRIZES TOO!



SC Society Hall

TUESDAY, 9/23
10 - 11:30 A.M.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR MORNING
FELLOWSHIP IN THE SC SOCIETY
HALL AT 72 MEETING STREET.



Home of Betsy Martin

TUESDAY, 9/23
6 - 7:30 P.M.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN
EVENING FELLOWSHIP AS WE
GATHER IN THE DOWNTOWN
HOME OF BETSY MARTIN

EMAIL EPMIDDLETON230@GMAIL.COM OR
SIEGLINGCHRISTY@GMAIL.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION

PLEASE INQUIRE ABOUT OUR FREE CHILDCARE OPTIONS BEFORE 9/9/25

Open Door Initiative

How many pass the gates of our historic church daily, longing for a moment of rest? The Evangelism Committee offers a new program at First (Scots), opening our sanctuary to visitors during regular weekday hours this summer, and we need your help!



Volunteer to serve as hosts in our sanctuary during business hours. No special knowledge is required. Do you hear the call? Contact Rob Dillon at (843) 670-8002 or DillonR@fwgna.org.

1731 Legacy Society

The 1731 Legacy Society encourages Planned Giving: rather than giving cash now, you can make provisions in your will, life insurance, securities, and other properties that might be valued at \$5,000 or more to become a 1731 Legacy Society Member. While cash gifts are always welcome, planned giving is a long term way to support First (Scots). Contact Bill Prewitt at (843) 620-0158 or wmcprewitt@gmail.com to learn more.



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LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8

Joachim Neander, 1680

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.

Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665
Harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

Desc. Craig Sellar Lang, 1953

Descant

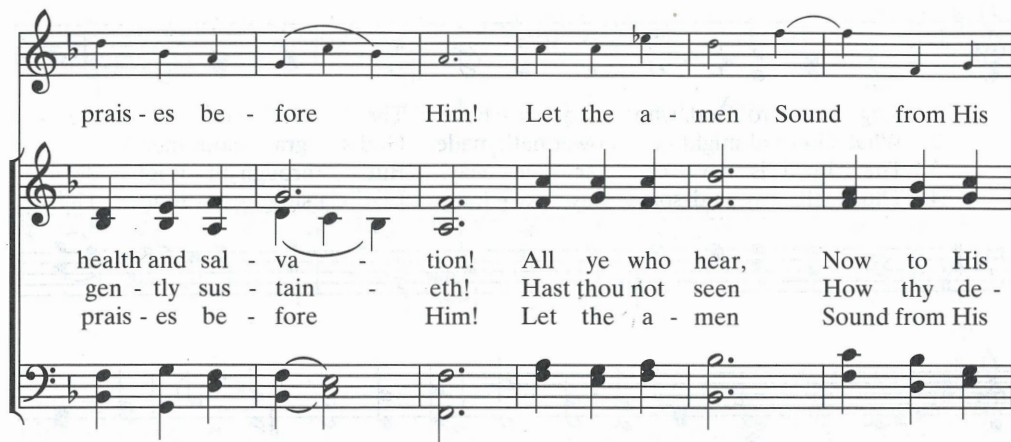
3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

1. Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

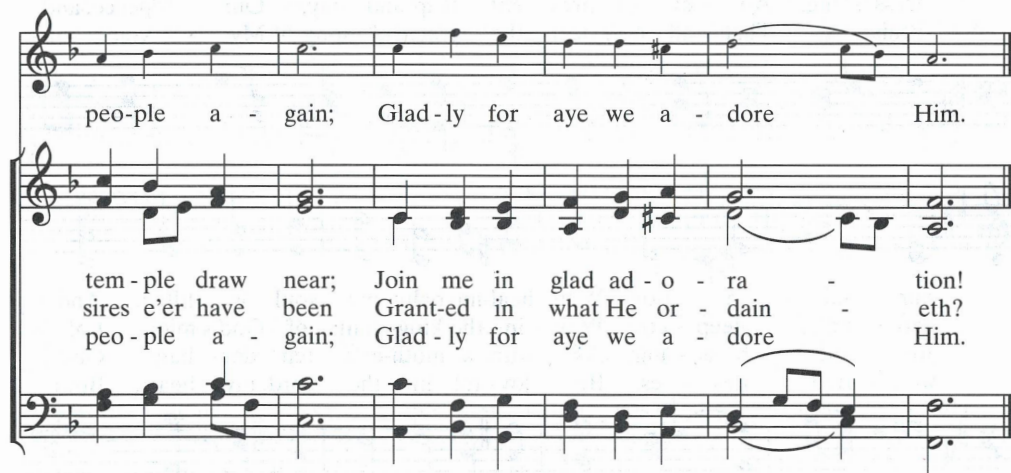
a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy
 reign - eth, Shel - ters thee un - der His wings, yea, so
 dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

Music: Descant from *20 Hymn Tune Descants* (C. S. Lang). Reproduced by permission of Novello and Company Limited.



prais - es be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, Now to His
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen How thy de -
 prais - es be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His



peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him.

tem - ple draw near; Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been Grant - ed in what He or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him.

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Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY Irregular

Karen Lafferty (b. 1948)

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Descant Al - le - lu - ia, Al -

1. Seek ye first the king - dom of God And His
2. Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, Seek and

le - lu - ia, Al - le -

righ - teous - ness, And all these things shall be
ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be

lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

Lord of All Good

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TOULON 10.10.10.10

Albert F. Bayly, 1962; alt.

Genevan Psalter, 1551
Adapt. from Genevan 124

1. Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to You;
 2. We give our minds to un - der - stand Your ways,
 3. Fa - ther, whose boun - ty all cre - a - tion shows;

Use them Your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill;
 Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great de - sign,
 Christ, by whose will - ing sac - ri - fice we live;

To - kens of love and pledg - es brought a - new,
 Heart with the flame of Your own love a - blaze,
 Spir - it, from whom all life in full - ness flows:

That our whole life is of - fered to Your will.
 Till for Your glo - ry all our powers com - bine.
 To You with grate - ful hearts our - selves we give.