

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 14, 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

“When We Walk with the Lord”

Scarlett Cramford, pianist

Daniel B. Towner

arr. Anna Laura Page

(May the beginning of the prelude serve as a call to silent meditation and prayer.
You are welcome to use this time to mark your attendance in the pew friendship pads.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

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

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“Rejoice in the Lord”

K. Lee Scott

Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45)

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

One: Come, all who are weary and wandering.

All: We praise the Good Shepherd who calls us by name!

One: Come, all who are lost and longing to be found.

All: We praise the Good Shepherd who seeks us with steadfast love!

One: Come, all who are gathered in God's fold.

All: We praise the Good Shepherd who brings us home with joy!

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

Hymn No. 487

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, like sheep, we have gone astray. We wander from your ways, ignore your voice, and place our trust in our own strength. We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Yet you are the Shepherd who seeks the lost, who calls us back, and carries us home on your shoulders with joy. Forgive us, O Lord. Find us when we are lost, lift us when we are weary, and restore us to the fold of your grace; through Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, 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

”Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling”

*Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me;
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.*

*Refrain: Come home, come home; you who are weary come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!*

† Those who are able, please stand.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

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

THE TIME FOR TEENS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bill Prewitt (8:45)

Slade Metcalf (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Psalm 23
New Testament: Luke 15:1-7

(pew Bible, page 435)

(pew Bible, page 850)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"WHERE'S THE ONE?"

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.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICER

(11:15)

Statement of Ordination and Installation

Constitutional Questions for the Church Officer and Congregation

Prayer of Dedication and Installation and the Laying on of Hands

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

Welcome and Charge

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Here I Am, Lord" (Verses 1 and 3)

Hymn No. 525

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

(As the offering plates are passed down each aisle, we celebrate those who contribute through various means, including electronically, by texting FIRSTSCOTS to 73256, or by scanning the QR code on the bulletin insert.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Like a River in My Soul"

Tim Osiek

†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	“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”	Hymn No. 387
†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.
†BENEDICTION RESPONSE	“Amen”	Claude Debussy
†POSTLUDE	“His Eye Is on the Sparrow” <i>Scarlett Crawford, pianist</i>	Charles H. Gabriel arr. Charlton D. Bozard

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 memory of
Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Lindsey, Jr. by Jane and John McNeill.

The pedestal flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of
Joyce Remsburg by Clark Remsburg and family.

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 Karen Prewitt (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER: David McCormack	COFFEE GREETER: Mayrelle Semken	11:15 A.M. GREETERS: Margaret Bouch, John Marko, Jr.
8:45 A.M. USHERS: Stephen Ham (Captain), Alison Beskin, Chris Hawk, Mayrelle Semken, John McNeill, Michael Branch		11:15 A.M. USHERS: Grayson Liner (Captain), Greg Sheppard, Robert Ross, Bobby Sumner, Ann Anderson
8:45 A.M. DEACONS: Ginger Liner (Lead Deacon), Legare Gresham		11:15 A.M. DEACONS: Chase McNair (Lead Deacon), Whitney Stoddard
8:45 A.M. BEADLE: Graham Heller		11:15 A.M. BEADLE: Matt Johnson
8:45 A.M. LAY READER: Bill Prewitt		11:15 A.M. LAY READER: Slade Metcalf

ELDER ON CALL: (September 15-21) - Harvey Mason (407) 907-2254

DEACON ON CALL: (September 15-21) - Mayrelle Semken (843) 860-6611

PASTOR ON CALL: (September 15-21) - Pastor Mary 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
Scarlett Crawford, Church Administrator
Jennifer Cromwell, Kindergarten Director
Ashley DesChamps, Christian Education Assistant
Chef Robyn Guisto, Food Services Director
Dr. Anthony Williams, Director of Music and Organist

Karen Kuhn, Administrative Assistant
Donna Lawson, Day Porter
Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Anne-Clark Peters, Communications Coordinator
Meredith Sharma, Cherub and Alleluia Choir Director
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director

Welcome to First (Scots)

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



TAIZÉ & WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

Our mid-week chapel service begins at 5:00 p.m. in Lilly Chapel followed by Wednesday Night Supper which begins at 5:30 p.m. To RSVP for dinner, please follow the QR code or email Karen Kuhn at kkuhn@first-scots.org. The deadline to RSVP is Tuesday, September 16 at noon.

MENU:

Salad: Mixed Greens, Tomatoes, Cucumbers,
Shaved Onions
Seasoned Ground Beef (GF)
Flour Tortillas
Red Rice (GF)(V)
Black Beans (GF)(V)
Mexican Street Corn: Lime Aioli, Chili
Powder, Cotija Cheese (GF)(V)
Chip Bar: Sour Cream, Salsa, Cheese,
Lettuce, Queso (GF)
Brownies

KIDS' MENU:
Cheese Quesadillas

Calendar of Events

September 15 - 21

Monday, September 15

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1 - 3 p.m.

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

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

Evangelism Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Local Missions Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.

Congregational Care Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Diaconate Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.

Tuesday, September 16

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

Women's Bible Study, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday, September 17

Ladies Bible Study, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Kirk Club, 3:30 - 5:40 p.m.

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

Taizé Worship, 5 - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Supper, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Choir Practice, 6:15 p.m.

Thursday, September 18

Lectio Divina, 10 - 11 a.m.

Thursday Tabletalk, 12 - 1 p.m.

All women of First (Scots) are invited to **both** of our September 23 gatherings. This is a great time to meet other women of the church, socialize, and enjoy some refreshments! Details below.



10 - 11:30 a.m.
Morning Fellowship at
SC Society Hall,
72 Meeting St.



6 - 7:30 p.m.
Evening Fellowship in the
downtown home of
Betsy Martin, 6 Smith Street.



Contact Betsy Middleton (epmiddle230@gmail.com) or
Christy Siegling (sieglingchristy@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

BUILT ON WITNESS, BOUND TO CHRIST



Hebrews 12:1

8:45 a.m.

Worship
Service

RUNNING THE RACE

Sunday School at 10 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

Worship
Service

PARRAMORE PREACHING SERIES September 28-29



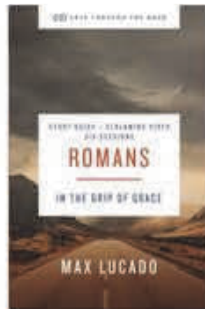
The Rev. Tom Are

Tom graduated from Presbyterian College, Union Presbyterian Seminary, and Yale Divinity School. He has served churches in Charleston, Columbia, Jacksonville, Kansas City, and as Interim Pastor at Fourth Presbyterian in Chicago. He and his wife, Carol, a registered nurse, have two children, the Rev. Sarah Are Speed and Nathan Are. Tom enjoys baseball, woodworking, canoe-camping in Quetico, and the treasures good stories, laughter, and daily reading.

TUESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Please join us at 7:00 a.m. each week for the Tuesday morning Men's Bible study and breakfast. We will meet both in person and via Zoom. The Zoom link for the Tuesday Bible study will remain the same throughout the series. This study is co-hosted by Drs. Siegling and Sutton. Please RSVP for breakfast by 8:30 a.m. Monday morning by emailing Dakota Carte at dcarte@first-scots.org.

WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY



This fall, beginning September 17, we will follow Max Lucado's study, *Romans: In the Grip of Grace*. For six weeks, we will be led through the letter from Paul to the Romans, revealing what the apostle's words meant to his original readers and how they apply to each of us today. Contact Amy Shubert at ashubert27@gmail.com to learn more.

TUESDAY EVENING WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDY

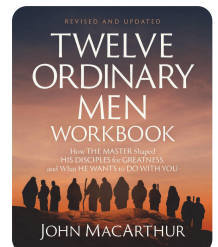
Learn about the men who walked with Jesus during His earthly life.
If Jesus can use these ordinary men, He can use us, too.

DATES: September 16 ~ November 18, 2025

TIME: Tuesday evenings from 5:30 p.m. ~ 6:30 p.m. in room 203 of the Massie Building

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)





FROM THE ARCHIVES

139 years ago on August 31, 1886, approximately 9:50 pm.

This original 1886 photograph of First (Scots) depicts the damage to the Sunday School building created by one of the most devastating earthquakes ever to occur in the Southeastern United States estimated to be 7.0.

This historic photo was found among many archives in the collection of First (Scots). Should you be interested in participating in the organizing or in the conservation of these artifacts. Please contact Suanne Trimmer, (248) 705-8518 or Debbie Rice-Marko (843) 367-8089.

We are pleased to announce these new members of the 1731 Legacy Society:

Jim Ham

David and Sharon Ward

We are grateful for additional commitments made by:

George and Phyllis Dickinson

Chris and Fran Hawk

Guy and Teresa Tarrant



Join Congregational Care!

The Congregational Care Committee is seeking new members. If you are interested, please contact Anna Smith at (843) 729-9241. If you know of members in need of support and not listed in Joys and Concerns, please send them to Anna.

PASTORAL CARE

If you know of a member who is ill, hospitalized, or if you need care yourself, please call the church office during daytime hours at (843) 722-8882. After hours, call or text our Parish Associate, Mary Robinson, (843) 872-1527 or the on-call minister.

Transportation Ministry

Are you in need of transportation to and from church services? The Evangelism Committee would like to know if you would benefit from transportation assistance. We are also looking for volunteers interested in assisting in transportation for this ministry. If either apply to you, please contact Karen Kuhn in the church office at (843) 722-8882.

Grief Support Group

The Congregational Care Committee is pleased to announce the formation of a grief support group for widows and widowers based on the premise of Koinonia - meeting in each other's homes for fellowship, a meal, and support. Please watch for more details or email Karolea Lucas (karolealucas@msn.com).

LOCAL OUTREACH - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A great opportunity has come up to help Metanoia, the homeless charity in North Charleston that we support financially here at First (Scots). Volunteers are needed on Friday, September 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We will be unloading and staging household essentials for community members. We'll meet outside the Fellowship Hall at St. Matthew Baptist Church/Metanoia (2005 Reynolds Ave., North Charleston, 29405). After our work is complete, we'll head to Lewis BBQ for food and refreshment. Please wear closed-toed shoes and light, breathable clothing; some lifting and moving will be involved. Contact Dr. Sutton at psutton@first-scots.org if you are interested in taking part.



Confirmation Class Starts September 14



Confirmation at First (Scots) is an eight-month process that prepares youth to profess their faith in Jesus Christ publicly and become adult members of the church. Confirmation typically occurs during the eighth-grade year, however older students who have not completed the program are able to participate as well. Confirmation Class will begin on Sunday, September 14 at 10am. To register for confirmation, please complete the Confirmation Class of 2026 Jotform using the QR code. Questions about the program? Please contact James Rogers at jrogers@first-scots.org.



Youth Group
Linktree

Youth Group Kickoff Party was a Great Success!



Over 80 youth, advisors, and parents attended the beach themed kickoff party last Sunday. Highlights from the night included some intense nine square in the air games as well as a shark tooth hunt in Molly Wier Hall. Special thanks to Chef Robyn for our beach theme inspired meal! In addition, the 2025-2026 Youth Calendars were presented and include dates and locations for next summer's

youth conferences. Feel free to download the High School Youth or Middle School Youth Calendar by following the QR code. Summer mission trip locations will be announced on October 1. It's going to be a great year!

Youth Group, September 14

High School Youth: Bible Jeopardy (5-7pm)

This Sunday the **High School Youth Group** is playing Bible Jeopardy. Meet at the Kirk House for an icebreaker, devotion, and dinner, before the Bible Jeopardy competition. Since it's a team-based event, it's okay if you're not a Bible expert. Prizes will be awarded. Join us!

Middle School Youth: Game Night (5-7pm)

This Sunday the **Middle School Youth Group** is having a game night. What do you want to play? Bring your favorite board game, card game, or sporting equipment (pickleball anyone?) for an evening of fun. Meet at the Kirk House for an icebreaker, devotion, and dinner, before the games begin.



Scan here
to sign up!



Registration for Kirk Club is still open for 2025-26! Kirk Club is an awesome opportunity for your kids to learn, play, and make new friends! This group also includes membership in the children's choir. Our first day was Wednesday, September 10 and drop off begins at 3:30 p.m., running until 5:40 p.m. The registration fee is \$100 per child, and you can scan the QR code to sign up. We hope to see you there!



@firstscots1731 and @firstscotsyouth



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When Morning Gilds the Skies

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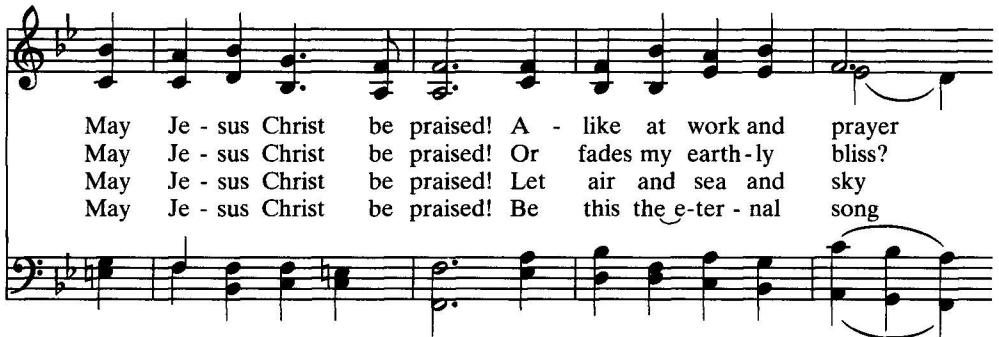
German hymn, c. 1800

Trans. Edward Caswall, 1853, 1858; alt.

Joseph Barnby, 1868



1. When morn - ing gilds the skies, My heart a - wak - ing cries:
 2. Does sad - ness fill my mind? A sol - ace here I find:
 3. Let earth's wide cir - cle round In joy - ful notes re - sound:
 4. Be this, while life is mine, My can - ti - cle di - vine:



May Je - sus Christ be praised! A - like at work and prayer
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! Or fades my earth - ly bliss?
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! Let air and sea and sky
 May Je - sus Christ be praised! Be this the e - ter - nal song



To Je - sus I re - pair: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 My com - fort still is this: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 From depth to height re - ply: May Je - sus Christ be praised!
 Through all the a - ges long: May Je - sus Christ be praised!

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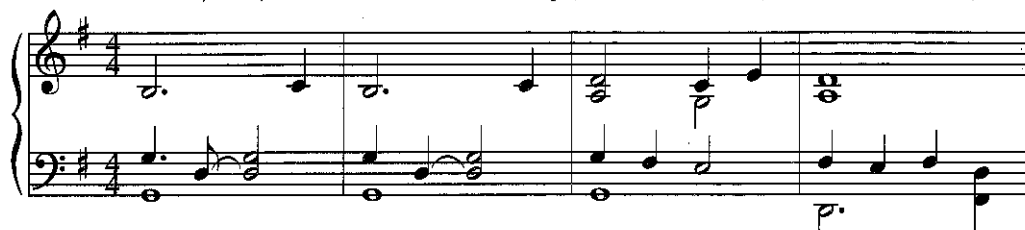
Here I Am, Lord

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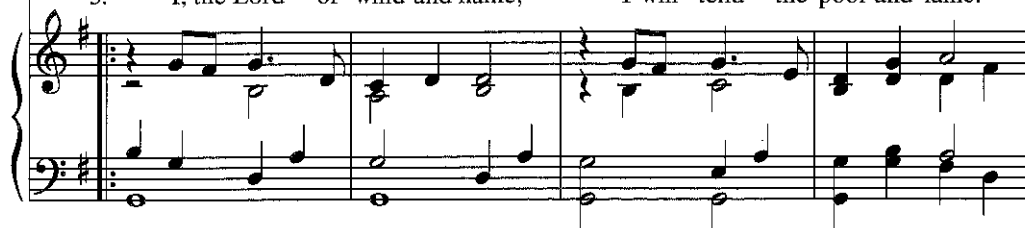
Daniel L. Schutte, 1981

Daniel L. Schutte, 1981; alt.

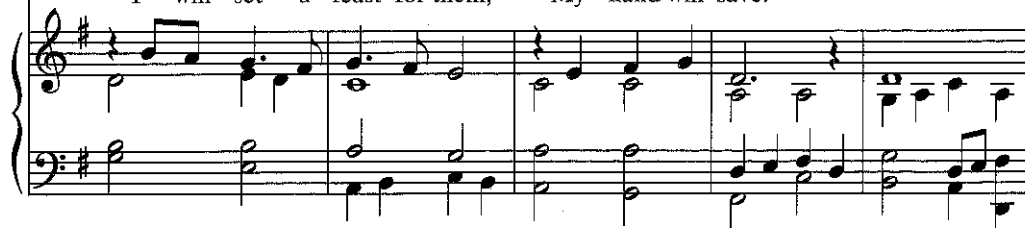
Harm. Michael Pope, Daniel L. Schutte, and John Weissrock, 1983



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My peo-ple cry.
 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My peo-ple's pain.
 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in deep-est sin My hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them, They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.



I who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain
Unison

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have

heard You call-ing in the night I will

go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your

peo - ple in my heart.

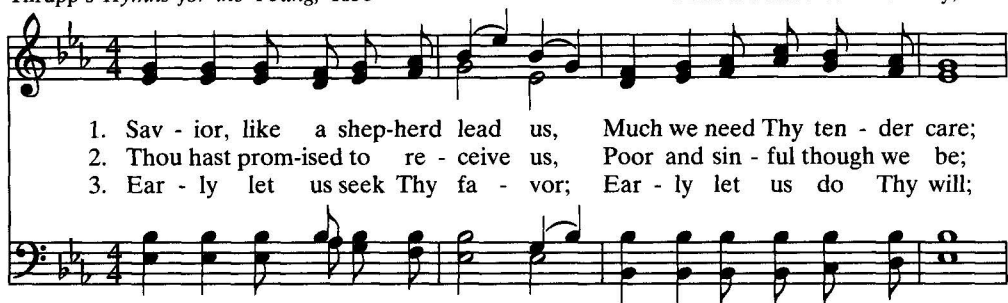
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387 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

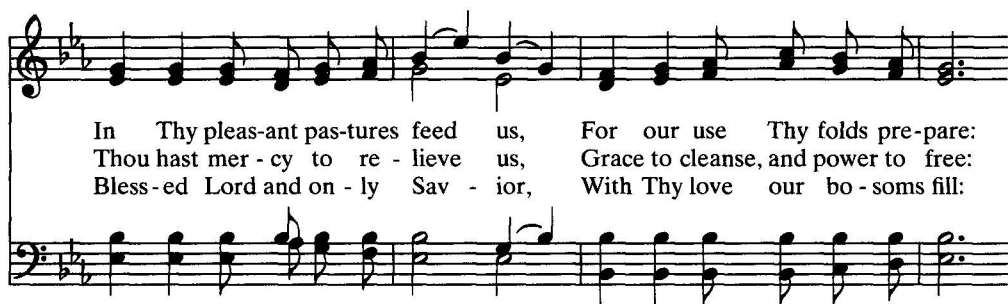
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Thrupp's *Hymns for the Young*, 1836

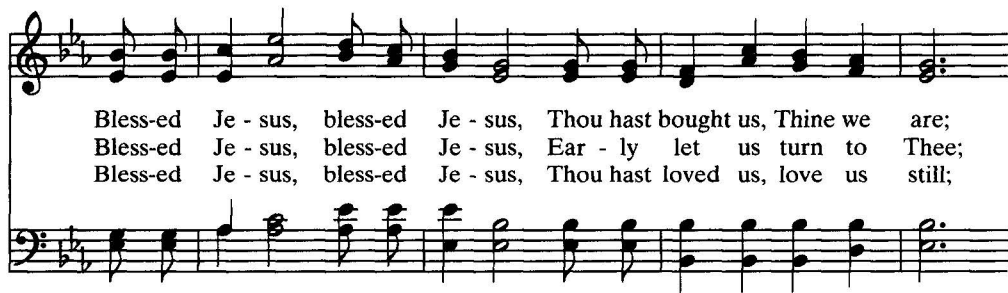
William Batchelder Bradbury, 1859



1. Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us, Much we need Thy ten - der care;
 2. Thou hast prom-ised to re - ceive us, Poor and sin - ful though we be;
 3. Ear - ly let us seek Thy fa - vor; Ear - ly let us do Thy will;



In Thy pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, For our use Thy folds pre-pare:
 Thou hast mer - cy to re - lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and power to free:
 Bless-ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, With Thy love our bo - soms fill:



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to Thee;
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still;



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