# FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401 Organized 1731

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 12, 2025 AT 8:45 & 11:15 A.M.



THE REV. DR. L. HOLTON SIEGLING, JR. SENIOR PASTOR/HEAD OF STAFF

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#### THE VISION OF GOD

**PRELUDE** 

"Prelude" (from Three Pieces)

Gabriel Pierné

(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. Peter R. B. Sutton

**†PASSING OF THE PEACE** 

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Stewardship

Elizabeth Riddle

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

"God Is In This Holy Place"

Johannes Brahms

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

arr. Hal H. Hopson

*Kirk Choir (11:15)* 

†CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 66:1-5

One: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

All: sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

One: How awesome are your deeds, O God!

All: Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

One: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name.

All: Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

**†PROCESSIONAL HYMN** 

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Hymn No. 473

PRAYER OF ADORATION

#### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

adapted from Luke 17

Jesus, Master,

have mercy on us.

We keep our distance from you,

for we are broken and sick with sin.

Yet you see us, and cleanse us, and make us whole.

Forgive us when we forget to return to you -

have mercy when we fail to praise your name,

and help us to exude the faith that makes us well. 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** 

"Hallelujah!"

Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord! Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelu! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord! Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord! Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!

#### 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 Carrie Simpson (8:45)

Sugar Slabaugh(11:15)

THE WORD READ Old Testament: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 (pew Bible, page 638)

New Testament: Luke 17:11-19 (pew Bible, page 852)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED "THE GRATITUDE EFFECT" The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

#### THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

#### **†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison)

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

**†**HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Hymn No. 555

#### 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

(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

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45) "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" Kirk Choir (11:15)

Sebastian Temple arr. by Lloyd Larson Healey Willan

**†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** 

"Let All Things Now Living" **†HYMN OF COMMITMENT** Hymn No. 554

**†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

**†BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "Alleluia, Amen" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

"Festive Trumpet Tune" David German **†Postlude** 

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

The flowers in the choir loft are given in celebration of the wedding of Julia Pase and Davis Wiggins who were married at First (Scots) Saturday evening.

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 Graham Heller (8:45) and Carol Rees (11:15).

#### Assisting with the Service Today

8:45 A.M. GREETER: COFFEE GREETER: 11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Clarissa McKenzie Catie Smith Julianne Farnsworth, Clarissa McKenzie

8:45 A.M. USHERS: 11:15 A.M. USHERS:

Brad Morrison (Captain), Caroline Barnes, Davis Finnen, Henry Hay, III (Captain), Henry Hay, IV

Chase McNair, John White, Sr., George Smythe Janice Culp, Steve Werber, Nelson Werber

8:45 A.M. **DEACONS**: 11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Anna Smith (Lead Deacon), Michael Branch Joanne Mauldin (Lead Deacon), Emily Topham

> 11:15 A.M. BEADLE: 8:45 A.M. BEADLE: Woody Kerr Eddie McSwain

8:45 A.M. LAY READER: **11:15 A.M. LAY READER:** 

Carrie Simpson Sugar Slabaugh MEDIA MINISTRY: 8:45 A.M. BELL RINGER: 11:15 A.M. BELL RINGER:

Matt Bucknam David Hav McKenzie & David Warren

**ELDER ON CALL: (October 13 - 19)** - Margaret Bouch (843) 834-5570 **DEACON ON CALL: (October 13 - 19) - Catie Smith (843) 324-5021** 

**PASTOR ON CALL: (October 13 - 19)** - The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton (843) 805-2506

# Welcome to First (Scots)



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

# **NOTICE:**

There will be no Wednesday Night Supper, Kirk Club, or Taizé Service on Wednesday, October 15 as part of fall break.

Be sure to join us on Wednesday, October 22, for our guest speaker, The Rev. Bill Stanfield, CEO of Metanoia.

# Calendar of Events October 13-19

Monday, October 13

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m. Bridge, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, October 14

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

#### Wednesday, October 15

Ladies Bible Study, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Cancer Companion Book Club, 4 - 5 p.m. Choir Practice, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

#### Thursday, October 16

Line Dancing, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Lectio Divina, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Thursday Tabletalk, 12 - 1 p.m.

# STEWARDSHIP SEASON AT FIRST (SCOTS)

Throughout the month of October, First (Scots) members are invited to prayerfully consider how they can support the ministry and mission of First (Scots) Presbyterian Church through their time, talents, and resources.

Stewardship Commitment Sunday will take place on October 26, with a single worship service at 10:00 a.m. During the service, members will have the opportunity to present their 2026 Stewardship Commitment Cards.

Immediately following worship, we will gather for a Celebration Brunch for the entire church family in Molly Wier Hall. Stewardship Commitment Cards and brunch RSVP details have been mailed to all members.

You can use the QR code below to read the Commitment Letter and Card



Please mark your calendars - we look forward to celebrating together on Stewardship Commitment Sunday, October 26! Follow the QR code to RSVP!



with Guest Preacher
The Very Rev. Dr. Shaw Paterson

Scottish Heritage Sunday

November 2

Section November 2

Scan the code to volunteer!





Ordained in 1991, the Rev. Dr. Paterson has served in the evolving charge now known as Strathaven Trinity. He was the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland for 2024–2025 and has held various leadership roles, including Co-Moderator of Forth Valley and Clydesdale Presbytery and Moderator of Hamilton Presbytery. With a strong focus on ministry support, he has guided candidates in training and served on multiple church committees.

# Presbyterian Women October Meetings

All are welcome at PW's monthly Circle meetings!

The **Betty Noble Circle** will meet on Tuesday, October 14 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Teresa Tarrant. Their program will be a video presentation by Jennifer Rothschild. Contact Teresa Tarrant, teresatarrant@aol.com, Circle Leader, for additional information.

The **Seekers Circle** will meet on Wednesday, October 8, at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Anne Dukes. Contact Circle Co-Leaders Christy Siegling, sieglingchristy@gmail.com or Betsy Middleton, epmiddleton230@gmail.com, for additional information.

The **Unbroken Circle** will meet on Tuesday, October 14 at 10 a.m. at the home of Joanne Zuraw. Contact Circle Leader Susan Bridwell, susanbridwell@gmail.com, for additional information.

The **Women at the Well** will meet on Thursday, October 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Kate Rogers. Contact Jane Davis, birdgirl59@yahoo.com, for additional information.



#### ORGAN RECITAL & DEDICATION

Join us on November 2 at 4 p.m. as we rededicate our organ with a special musical program featuring our own Dr. Anthony Williams, Director of Music and Organist.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER & DANCING OCTOBER 29



Enjoy a Scottish-themed Extended
Wednesday Night Supper featuring
great food and traditional Scottish reels
(dancing)—no experience required and
everyone is welcome!
The evening will wrap up by 8:30 p.m.
A fun way to get ready for
Scottish Heritage Weekend!

# Fall Line Dancing

**ATTENTION. EVERYONE:** 

COOLER TEMPERATURES GIVE US MORE ENERGY!
WHY NOT USE SOME OF THAT ENERGY AND TRY
LINE DANCING TO ADD MORE JOY TO YOUR LIFE!

Please put the following Thursday mornings (9:30 - 11:30 a.m.) on your calendars and join

The Dancing Scotties in Molly Wier Hall:

October 16, 23 & 30 November 6 & 13 December 4, 11, & 18



Contact Pam Arnett at pampagearnett@gmail.com to learn more





FIRST (SCOTS)

# FALL FESTIVAL

October 26 | 4PM - 5PM

KIRK HOUSE COURTYARD & MASSIE BUILDING TERRACE

Fun and games for all ages!
Cupcake walk, mini-basketball, bowling,
and so much more!
Costumes are encouraged!

CANDY DONATIONS (UNOPENED BAGS) ACCEPTED AT MASSIE BUILDING RECEPTION AREA

PARENTS ARE ASKED TO ACCOMPANY THEIR CHILDREN



FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN

53 Meeting Street, Charleston



The work of the Charleston Area Justice Ministry (CAJM) begins with house meetings. You are Invited to attend a House Meeting to consider the stark realities of our diverse community and how, as people of faith, we can work to build a community to provide access to the necessities of life for all our citizens. Call Hank Martin (843-670-3281) or see next week's Kirk News for more information.

Monday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m.: Roy Hutchinson and Julia Eichelberger (Zoom) Tuesday, October 21 at 5:30 p.m.: Elizabeth McAnally, Hank and Betsy Martin\* Sunday, October 26 at 5:30 p.m.: Hank and Betsy Martin\* \* House Meeting at 6 Smith Street, Charleston, 29401

#### 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)

### Tuesday Morning MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

will meet at

Saffron Bakery 333 East Bay Street October 14 at 7 a.m.

for a delicious breakfast and morning of fellowship. To RSVP email Dakota Carte at dcarte@first-scots.org

### WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY

This fall, 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.



TWELVE

# FIRST (SCOTS) FAITH BUILD DAY

Join us as we partner with Habitat for Humanity to build a playhouse!

> Saturday, October 18 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Follow the QR code to sign up.





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

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

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

### LOCAL MISSIONS

Local Missions is filling Blessing Boxes at the Presbytery during October. Boxes have been placed in Molly Wier Hall for donations. Blessing boxes are stocked with non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies.



## Youth Group, October 12: Charleston Fun Park





This Sunday from 5-7 p.m., the high school and middle school youth groups are returning to the Charleston Fun Park for the first time since 2022 (recognize anyone in the photo?). For \$20 you'll enjoy one premier attraction, eighteen holes of mini-golf, \$10 arcade card, two slices of pizza, and a drink (yes, we had to pull some strings to get such a good deal!). As always, friends are welcome. Youth participants should reserve their spot using our Charleston Fun Park SignUpGenius and pay their \$20 fee using E-Giving (designating the payment to "Youth Group Activity"). In addition, all participating youth should have a completed Youth Permission and Release Form on file for the 2025-2026 school year. Meet at the park (3255 N Hwy 17, Mt Pleasant, SC 29466) and don't be surprised if you see James playing the Willy Wonka coin pusher. A limited number of rides are available from the Kirk House, departing at 4:15 p.m. sharp and returning at 7:45 p.m., but must be reserved using our Charleston Fun Park SignUpGenius.

# **Bingo and Beach Worship Service**

Last Sunday the high school youth led bingo at Brookdale, an assisted living community in West Ashley. In addition to traditional games of bingo, the group played games of four corners and postage stamp. Lots of prizes were handed out (thanks Oliver Bernard!) and at the end some of us were able to meet high school youth group member Simon Ford's great-grandmother who is 101 years old! The middle school youth enjoyed time on Sullivan's Island. After playing games on the beach and starting a fire (thanks to Carol Killough for the permit!), the group enjoyed dinner, s'mores, and a sunset worship service with an Animals in the Bible devotion by middle school youth Gus Gresham on Jonah and the Big Fish (sometimes God calls us to do things we don't want to do at first). Special thanks to youth leadership team member Kitty Smith who helped coordinate this middle school youth event. Check out photos from last Sunday's high school and middle school youth events.









# For the Beauty of the Earth

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 For Thy church that evermore Lifteth holy hands above, Offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love, Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.

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#### Now Thank We All Our God

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# Let All Things Now Living



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