

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SCOTTISH HERITAGE SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 2, 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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Serving God in Charleston and the world

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THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

"Loch Lomand"
Regina Yost, Alison Beskin; Flute

Scottish Folk Song
arr. Stephen DeCesare

(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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Handbell Choir

Christina Wilhoit

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

"Worship the Lord, Rejoice and Sing"
Kirk Choir

Volckmar Leising
arr. Hal H. Hopson

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

Leader: O Lord, strengthen our faith;

People: kindle it in eagerness and love toward you and our neighbors.

Leader: Suffer us not to receive your Word in vain;

People: but grant us always the assistance of your Holy Spirit, that in thought, word, and deed, we may glorify your name.

Leader: Help us to amplify and increase your kingdom;

People: that whatever may come our way, we may be content with your good pleasure and sovereign will.

Leader: Let us not lack the thing without which we cannot serve you;

People: but so bless all the works of our hands that we may have what we need to be helpful and not hurtful unto others.¹

†PROCESSION OF THE TARTANS

"Highland Cathedral"

Organ and Bagpipes

†BLESSING OF THE TARTANS

Leader: Raise the Tartans!

(Banner Bearers lift high their tartans.)

We raise these tartans on behalf of all clans represented here.

People: In gratitude for our Scottish heritage, we raise these tartans before Almighty God and pray God's blessing upon His children in every land!

Leader: May God bless these symbols of heritage, and grant that those who wear them, and the families they represent may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with the Lord.

People: We proclaim our one common heritage in the covenant of Jesus Christ, for there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all.

(The Banners are posted.)

†MORNING HYMN

"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

Hymn No. 262

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

¹From a prayer by John Knox (d. 1572), founder of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, we confess to Thee the wrong ideals and sinful living which have cut us off from you. We have been greedy. We have sought to hide behind barricades of selfishness. We have tried to isolate ourselves from the wounds of the world. In our self-sufficiency, we have not sought your help. We have wasted time while the world bled. We have sought to solve our differences only through self-interest. Lord God of Hosts, forgive us, we pray. O God, by Thy guidance and Thy power, may we be keenly sensitive to all the unresolved injustice and wrong still in our midst. Hear this our prayer, and grant that we may confidently expect to see it answered in our time; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.²

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 "This Is My Father's World" Hymn No. 293
*This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees,
of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.
This is my Father's world. Oh, let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: The battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jeff Yost (8:45)
Scott Evans (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 23
New Testament Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20

(pew Bible, page 435)
(pew Bible, page 812)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"RUN THE RACE SET BEFORE YOU AND CONTINUE THE LEGACY OF FAITH" The Very Rev. Dr. Shaw J. Paterson

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

†THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison) Pastor Mary B. Robinson

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to Whom alone we must cleave, Whom alone we must serve, Whom only we must worship, and in Whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By Whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by His providence, and to the manifestation of His own glory.³

†HYMN OF REFLECTION "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" Hymn No. 280

²From a prayer by Peter Marshall (b. Scotland 1902), originator of the service of Kirkin' o' the Tartan in the United States

³From *The Scots Confession of 1560*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

“A Scottish Blessing”

David Blackwell

Regina Yost, Flute (8:45); Alison Beskin, Flute (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

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

Hymn No. 447

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

The Very Rev. Dr. Shaw J. Paterson

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“A Gaelic Blessing”

John Rutter

†RECESSION OF THE TARTANS

“Scotland the Brave”

The Charleston Pipe Band

†POSTLUDE

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

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God in loving memory of
Russell “Rusty” H. Stout, Jr. by Linda Stout and his family.

The garland on the outside gates is given by Lynn Graves in appreciation for the members of the Flower Guild who faithfully use their talent to enhance the beauty of First (Scots) worship services.

ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS are invited to our Scottish Heritage Reception in
Molly Wier Hall following each service.

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 Jon Carter (8:45) & Karen Prewitt (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER:

Jon Carter

COFFEE GREETER:

Anna Smith

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Lynn Graves

8:45 A.M. USHERS:

Wit Smith (Captain), Woody Kerr, Dale Poulnot,
Matt Spath, Bob Hurd, Tom Litton

11:15 A.M. USHERS:

Todd Plaxco, (Captain), Barbara Plaxco, Andy Beall,
Jackson Beall, Bobby Sumner

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

Jason Wall (Lead Deacon), Will DesChamps

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Catie Smith (Lead Deacon), Lisle Henderson

8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Karolea Lucas

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8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Jeffrey Yost

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Scott Evans

8:45 A.M. BELL RINGER:

Elaine Neff

MEDIA MINISTRY:

Matt Bucknam

11:15 A.M. BELL RINGER:

Mark Zuraw

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What is the Kirkin' O' the Tartan?

THE HISTORY...

The ceremony of the Kirkin' O' the Tartan is of American origin, though based in Scottish history and legend. After Bonnie Prince Charlie's Scottish forces were defeated by the English at the Battle of Culloden in 1746, Scotland once again came under British rule. To control the Scots, an act was passed that forbade the carrying of arms and the wearing of kilts or tartans which represented Scottish heritage. Orders were given for British troops to kill any person dressed in or displaying the tartan.



AS THE LEGEND GOES...

This act prompted the stubborn Scots to secretly carry with them a piece of their tartan as they went to Kirk. The minister then slipped a blessing (a Kirkin') into the service for the tartans. The prohibition against tartans lasted for nearly 50 years. When at last repealed, the Church of Scotland celebrated with a service of Family Covenant, at which time the tartan of each family was offered as a covenant expression for the Lord's blessing.

THE FIRST KIRKIN'...

The Saint Andrew's Society of Washington, D.C. held the first Kirkin' during the early years of World War II. The late Dr. Peter Marshall, an eloquent Scot, then chaplain of the US Senate as well as a pastor, led the service in 1943, choosing "Kirkin' O' the Tartan" for the title of his sermon. He had preached many sermons in support of the British War Relief and the Scottish Clans Evacuation Plan. His sermons were so popular that a request was made for their publication, with the proceeds designated for war relief programs. As the war continued, the Washington D.C. St. Andrew's Society continued to hold prayer services for the British subjects. These became known as Kirkins.

THE SERVICE...

The worship service is of traditional content, using much of the Church of Scotland form. Central to its theme is the presentation of various tartans - through flags and the wearing of tartans - for a blessing. The

Today's Guest Preacher: The Very Rev. Dr. Shaw Paterson

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. Beyond the church, he contributes to medical education as a lay advisor and examiner for UK medical colleges. He holds a Doctorate in Practical Theology and has led numerous community initiatives, including dementia support, youth outreach, and his Moderator's project providing solar lights to students in Malawi.

Married to Christine since 1987, he and Christine have three children. He credits his family with keeping his feet firmly on the ground as he functions in roles of leadership and service.



First (Scots) First Gravesite

Little is said in our graveyard records about Sarah Witherspoon. In December 1734 at age two, Sarah died and was the first person buried in our graveyard. Today, there is no existing marker. From a memoir written by her brother Robert fifty years later, we learn a great deal about the Scots-Irish family and their difficult move from Ulster, Ireland. They'd settle in what became Kingstree, South Carolina after landing in Charleston.

In 1730, there was little settlement of the state beyond Charleston, Georgetown, and Beaufort. Prosperity for the colony required expansion beyond these seacoast towns, and, eventually, South Carolina's Royal English Governor, Robert Johnson, established a "township scheme" to attract inhabitants. Nine townships were named and surveyed by 1732, including Williamsburg, one of the first expansion targets. An enticing package was offered to settle in what was the Carolina backcountry - land (10 - 20,000 acre lots), money, tools, and provisions for a year.

The family boarded a ship on September 14, 1734 and lay wind-bound at Belfast for two weeks before starting a very stormy crossing in a leaking ship with the mariners at their wits end. Only two days out, their grandmother died and was interred overboard, "an afflicting sight to her offspring." About three weeks before Christmas, the Witherspools landed in Charleston, with their four children: David, Robert, John, and Sarah. Sarah died within days of landing. In his memoir, her brother Robert (then six) writes, "the inhabitants were very kind and we remained in town until after Christmas." Over the next several years, thousands of Scots-Irish came to settle the backcountry after landing in Charleston. One can imagine that upon landing they might have spent some of their time partaking in fellowship and worship at the new Scotch Meeting House.

The week after Christmas, the Witherspools boarded an open boat in the dead of winter and were taken up the coast to Georgetown, then 20 miles inland on the Black River. Their year of provisions were taken up farther than they were to "the king's tree," including one steel mill per family, an ax, and a hoe for each person over sixteen, Indian corn, rice, flour, beef, pork, rum, and salt. They landed in wilderness aided only by a few earlier arrivals and their personal fortitude. Sarah's grandfather, John Witherspoon, and his sons helped establish the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church in Kingstree by 1736. The eventual plantation home built in 1749 by Sarah's father, James Witherspoon, still stands today restored and owned

Spotlight - Clan Donald

Clan Donald—one of Scotland's largest Highland clans—traces its ancestry to Domhnall, grandson of Somerled, the 12th-century ruler known as the "King of the Isles." From their stronghold on Islay, the clan's leaders—the Lords of the Isles—commanded great influence across the western Highlands and Hebrides, shaping the region's Gaelic culture, language, and seafaring traditions.

Though the Lordship was dissolved in 1493, Clan Donald's branches—such as the MacDonalds of Sleat, Clanranald, and Glengarry—remained prominent in Scottish history, including strong involvement in the Jacobite uprisings. Over time, many members emigrated around the world, carrying their heritage and motto with them: *Per mare per terras* — "By sea and by land"

Lord Godfrey Macdonald, 8h Lord Macdonald and 34th hereditary Chief of Clan Donald, is the current High Chief of Clan Donald. Losing the Earldom did not diminish their power. In the early 20th century, Lord Macdonald owned over 130,000 acres on the Sleat Peninsula, marking a significant presence on the Isle of Skye. The lords of Macdonald have played a significant part in the history of Scotland from the earliest times to the current times.



First (Scots) Presbyterian Tartan

CREATED FROM TARTAN COLORS AND ELEMENTS OF SEVEN KNOWN FOUNDING FAMILIES.

IT CAN BE WORN BY ANY MEMBER OF FIRST (SCOTS).

James Abercrombie



Abercrombie

John Allen



Sept of Macfarlane

John Bee



Sept of Angus

Daniel Crawford



Crawford

George Ducaff



Sept of Angus

James Paine



Sept of Paisley

John Fraser



Fraser

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church

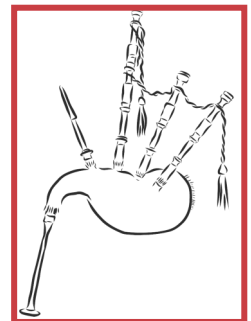
The Bagpipe Cannot be Ignored!

No other musical instrument inspires such contradictory responses than the beloved or despised bagpipe. It is a unique instrument in many ways, and, because it has four sets of reeds, it is obnoxiously easy to play out of tune. Only a bagpipe “skirls” or “produces a high, shrill, wailing tone.” It is the only surviving European folk instrument without a “regular chair” in the symphonic orchestra. Unlike the early fiddle, flute, and various horns, the bagpipe followed its own evolutionary path. Ironically, the origin of this most Scottish of things was “imported.”

The bagpipe uses a double reed. Two pieces of cane, tied together, vibrate against one another as air passes between the blades. The double reed was invented in the Middle East thousands of years ago and, by the time of Christ, pipers began putting a bag between the mouthpiece and the pipe. This allowed musicians to play continuously, even while taking a breath. Roman soldiers occupying the Middle East adopted the early bagpipe and likely brought it to Britain during the Roman occupation.

Surprisingly, during most of its early iterations, the bagpipe was known for a soft, sweet sound suited for dancing and festivals. Only in Scotland and Ireland did the instrument mutate into a weapon of war. The **Great Highland Bagpipe** developed great volume to signal warriors and intimidate the enemy over the din of battle. Many an enemy came to fear the stirring effect the pipes had on Scots as a source martial spirit and symbol of fearless might. The piper came to be held in higher esteem in Scotland than anywhere else. As early as the year 1,000, bagpipes were popular throughout the country, and by 1,500 every clan chieftain worthy of the name had a piper in his retinue.

The Highland bagpipe has grown in popularity while most European and Middle Eastern pipes have faded away. Even Pakistani and Jordanian military bands choose bagpipes. Innovations continue and the great



Welcome to First (Scots)

Calendar of Events

November 3 - 9

Monday, November 3

Worship Staff Meeting, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

General Staff Meeting, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1 - 3 p.m.

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

Tuesday, November 4

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

PW Board Meeting, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

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

Wednesday, November 5

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

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

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

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Taizé Worship, 5 - 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Supper, 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.

Choir Practice, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 6

Line Dancing, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

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

Thursday Tabletalk, 12 - 1 p.m.

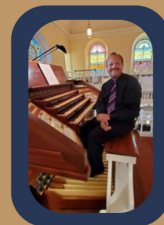
Sunday, November 9

Congregational Meeting - 10:55 a.m.

ORGAN CONCERT & REDEDICATION

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.

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First (Scots)
Presbyterian Church



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



Scottish Heritage Sunday is here!

We thank you for joining us to celebrate our rich Scottish roots! Please join us in Molly Wier Hall following each worship service for a special Scottish Reception featuring traditional Scottish recipes!

Todd Garrett
Bill Prewitt
Mark Calhoun
Regan Calhoun
Greg Robinson
Michael Branch

J-Bo Wall
Whit Smith
George Buist Smith
Kenneth Johnson
Matt Johnson
Jan Key

TARTAN BEARERS

David Hay
Woody Kerr
John McNeill
David Warren
Kent Owens
Tod Williams

Lanier Jackson
Scott Evans
Evan Marko
Bob Baldwin
L.W. McAnally
Ted Gordon

Harrison Siegling
Josh Gregory
John Witty
Adam Gilbert
Jay White
Amelia White

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Tuesday Men's Bible Study and Thursday noon Tabletalk (co-ed) are embarking on a new exploration of 1 Samuel, a book filled with narratives of calling and faith. We invite you to join us in person or via Zoom as we deepen our understanding of God's Word together.

Tuesday Morning Men's Breakfast and Bible Study

Join us at 7 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall for a delicious breakfast and insightful discussion on scripture.

Thursday Afternoon Tabletalk

Come gather on Thursdays at noon in Room 227/228 and learn about the depth and beauty of the word of the Lord.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NOVEMBER MEETINGS

All are welcome at PW's monthly Circle meetings!

The **Betty Noble Circle** will be doing the video series on The 23rd Psalms by Jennifer Rothschild. We meet at 80 South Battery at 9:30 a.m. for fellowship on Tuesday, November 11. The Program will begin at 10 a.m. Please email teresatarrant@aol.com for more information.

All are welcome to join.

The **Seekers Circle** meets

Wednesday, November 12 at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Barbara Plaxco. Please email epmiddleton230@gmail.com or SieglingChristy@gmail.com for more info as needed.

All are welcome to join.

The **Unbroken Circle** will meet on

Tuesday, November 11 at 10 a.m. We are meeting at the Albermarle condominiums at 498 Albermarle Rd. in the Community Room on the 1st floor. Parking is available in the Visitor Lot accessed from Albermarle Rd.

Please email susanbridwell@gmail.com for more information as needed. All are welcome to join.

Women at the Well will meet

Thursday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. for a Soup & Sweaters themed night at the home of Tori Bohren.

Please email her at vspearman@elon.edu with any questions. All are welcome to join.

TAIZÉ & WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

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, November 4 at noon.

MENU:

Mixed Green Salad,
Loaded Potato Soup (Gluten Free)
Turkey and Swiss Cheese Croissants with Herb aioli,
Pasta Salad: Olives, Celery, Peppers,
Vinegar Dressing
Pineapple Upside Down Cake

KIDS MENU:

Chicken Tenders, Chips

RSVP here



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.



NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your help serving in our nursery and toddler room during worship services.

If you feel called to do so, sign up here!



Congregational Meeting

All are encouraged to attend.

Sunday, November 9

10:55 a.m.

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church sanctuary
53 Meeting St

THE VISUAL COMMENTARY ON SCRIPTURE WITH THE REV. DR. PETER SUTTON

Since joining First (Scots), I've enjoyed many chats about religious art. I follow a weekly online exhibition from the Visual Commentary on Scripture and invite anyone interested to join me. Email me at psutton@first-scots.org to register. Explore the first exhibition here:



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.

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.

We celebrate the life and witness of those who have joined the church triumphant in 2025:

William Y. Buchanan, Jr. 02/27/1942 - 11/23/2024	Elizabeth (Betty) M. White 02/13/1941 - 04/01/2025	Lawrence Myles Mayland 10/08/1946 - 08/04/2025
Dr. Roger Clifton Poole 12/31/1936 - 12/02/2024	Jodi Bateman Forney 09/12/1967 - 06/04/2025	Amy White McClain 05/30/1968 - 09/04/2025
John Robert Alexander 01/06/1942 - 12/17/2024	Mary Coker Ham 10/01/1942 - 06/29/2025	Joyce Dahlgren Remsburg 01/16/1934 - 09/07/2025
Joseph (Buzzy) Turner Newton, III 11/28/1940 - 01/24/2024	W. Laird Stanley, Jr. 11/10/1933 - 07/06/2025	Thomas Hunter McEaddy 01/21/1943 - 10/15/2025
Mary Frances Smith 01/01/1931 - 02/08/2025		Emmy Lou Anderson 10/20/1931 - 10/27/2025

ELDER ON CALL: (November 3 - 9) - Lynn Graves (843) 270-6513

DEACON ON CALL: (November 3 - 9) - Anna Smith (843) 729-9241

PASTOR ON CALL: - (November 3 - 9) - The Rev. Dr. Peter 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
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
Anne-Clark Peters, Communications Coordinator
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



Care Packages for College and Boarding School Students

The **High School Youth** are meeting at the Kirk House for dinner before preparing care packages for our college and boarding school students. It is certainly not required, but feel free to bring food items, Bible verses, and school supplies to include in the forty or so boxes. Individually wrapped items that can easily travel work best. Use your imagination: what would you like to receive in your care package if you were a college or boarding school student? You can sign up to bring a specific item using our College and Boarding School Care Packages SignUpGenius. Questions about this event? Please contact high school youth advisor Carrie Simpson.

Conversation on Stress

The **Middle School Youth** are meeting at the Kirk House for a game, devotion, and dinner, before a conversation regarding stress. Which pressures do you face: being nice, making good grades, obeying family rules, obeying community rules, obeying Christian rules, spending time with friends, spending time with family, achieving success, being unique/being yourself, achieving a talent, or making money/supporting yourself? Ever prayed the "Serenity Prayer" by Reinhold Niebuhr? *God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; the courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen.* Questions about this event? Please contact middle school youth advisor Meredith Jasso.



Fall Festival Success

Last Sunday's Fall Festival was awesome! Thanks to the high school and middle school youth for making it such a special event with a variety of games and activities for the children. And thank you to the children of the church and the First (Scots) Kindergarten for wearing costumes and participating. Can't wait until next time!

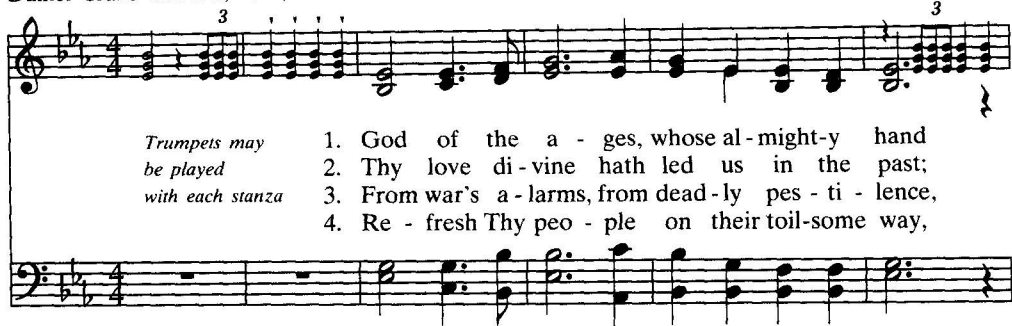


262 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN 10.10.10.10

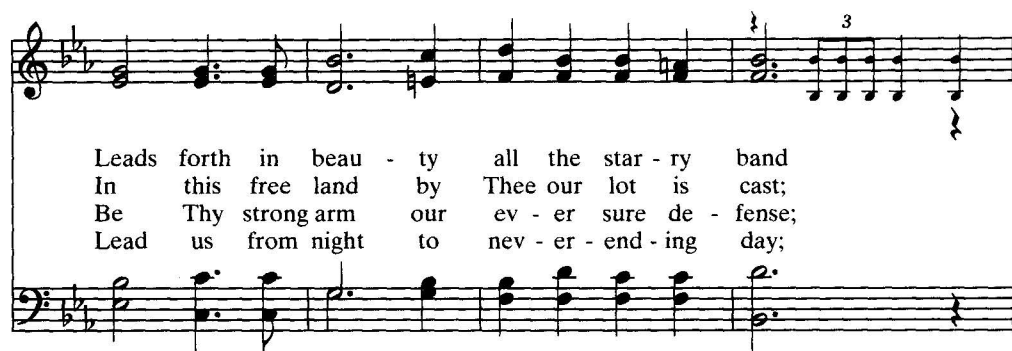
Daniel Crane Roberts, 1876; alt.

George William Warren, 1892

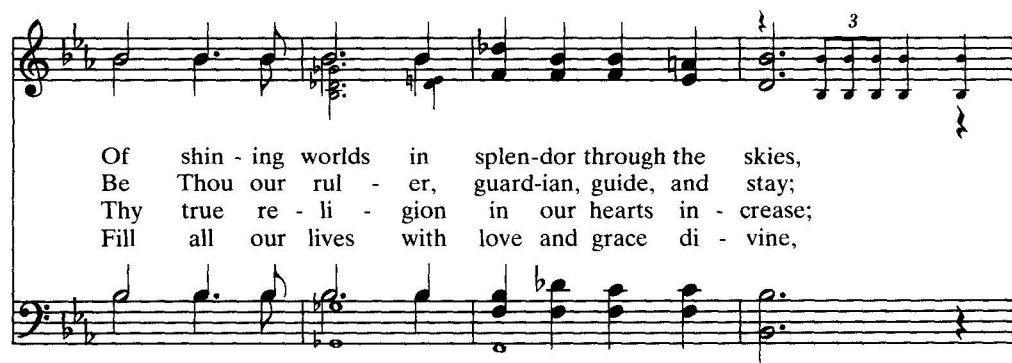


*Trumpets may
be played
with each stanza*

1. God of the a - ges, whose al - might - y hand
2. Thy love di - vine hath led us in the past;
3. From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti - lence,
4. Re - fresh Thy peo - ple on their toil - some way,



Leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;
Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;



Of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,
Be Thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay;
Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease;
Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,



Our grate - ful songs be - fore Thy throne a - rise.
Thy word our law, Thy paths our cho - sen way.
Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
And glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er Thine.

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound 280

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Stanzas 1-4, John Newton, 1779

Stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790*Virginia Harmony*, 1831

Arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1900

1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re - lieved;
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my hope se - cures;

I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
 How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 He will my shield and por - tion be As long as life en - dures.

5. When we've been there ten thousand
 years,
 Bright shining as the sun,
 We've no less days to sing God's praise
 Than when we'd first begun.

Choctaw
 Shilombish holitopa ma!
 Ishmminti pulla cha
 Hatak ilbusha pia ha
 Is pi yukpalashke

Kiowa

Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy he tsow'haw
 Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy hee.
 Bay dawtsahy taw, gaw aym ow thah t'aw,
 Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy h'ee.

Cherokee

Ooh nay thla nah, hee oo way gee'.
 E gah gwoo yah hay ee.
 Naw gwoo joe sah, we you low say,
 E gah gwoo yah ho nah.

Creek

Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet
 Ah non ah cha pa kas
 Cha fee kee o funnan la kus
 Um e ha ta la yus.

Navaho

Nizhónígo jooba' diits' a'
 Yisdáshítinigí,
 Lah yóóiyá, k'ad shénáhoosdzin,
 Doo eesh'íí da ní't'éé.

Text: Phonetic transcription Cherokee, Kiowa, Creek, and Choctaw: Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference;
 Navaho: phonetic transcription by Albert Tsosie.

Lead On, O King Eternal

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Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888

Henry Thomas Smart, c. 1835

1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, The day of march has come;
 2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: We fol - low, not with fears;

Hence - forth in fields of con - quest Thy tents shall be our home:
 And ho - li - ness shall whis - per The sweet a - men of peace;
 For glad - ness breaks like morn - ing Wher - e'er Thy face ap - pears;

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion Thy grace has made us strong,
 For not with swords' loud clash - ing, Nor roll of stir - ring drums;
 Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; We jour - ney in its light:

And now, O King e - ter - nal, We lift our bat - tle song.
 With deeds of love and mer - cy The heav - en - ly king - dom comes.
 The crown a - waits the con - quest; Lead on, O God of might.