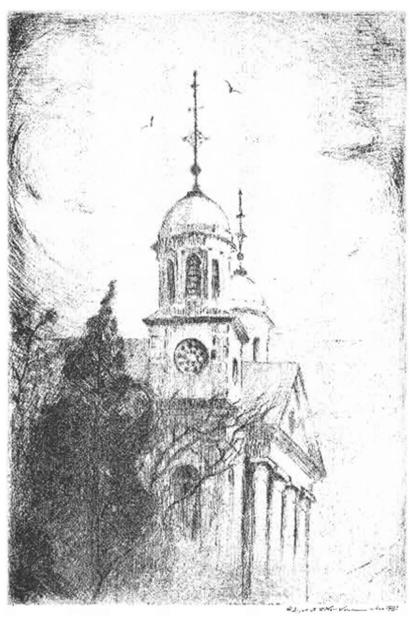
# FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401 Organized 1731

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 16, 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

Prière Joseph Jongen

(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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Chiapas Mission Trip

Ryan Glenn

**†PASSING OF THE PEACE** 

**CHORAL INTROIT** 

"Come, Let Us Join"

K. Lee Scott

Katherine Clarkson, Sofi Unsworth, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45)
"The Wise Man Built his House upon the Rock"
Cherub Choir, Alleluia Choir, Kirk Choristers (11:15)

#### **†C**ALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

One: The Lord declares: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore, I have continued my faithfulness to you."

All: God's love never ends. God's mercy is new every morning.

One: Though we are prone to wander, God calls us back and writes His covenant upon our hearts.

All: We come to worship the God who creates, redeems, and sustains, whose love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things.

One: Let us lift our hearts in praise to the One whose love took on flesh in Jesus Christ.

All: For now faith, hope, and love abide, these three, and the greatest of these is love. Let us worship God!

**†PROCESSIONAL HYMN** 

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Hymn No. 376

PRAYER OF ADORATION

#### **THE CONFESSION OF SIN**

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

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, You have shown us everlasting love, yet we have not reciprocated it as we should. We have spoken of love without patience or kindness, turned away from those in need, and withheld forgiveness. You have inscribed Your law on our hearts, but we live by our own desires. Jesus set an example of humble, self-sacrificing love, yet ours is often arrogant and conditional. We seek Your forgiveness, O Lord, and ask for Your Holy Spirit to renew our hearts and restore our joy in serving You. Teach us what love means: to bear, believe, hope, and endure in Christlike grace. May we be living witnesses to the truth of Your Gospel, so others may experience Your timeless love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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**

#### "Down In My Heart"

I have the love of Jesus, love of Jesus, down in my heart, (where?)

Down in my heart, (where?) down in my heart!

I have the love of Jesus, love of Jesus, down in my heart, (where?)

Down in my heart to stay!

And I'm so happy, so very happy, I have the love of Jesus in my heart!

And I'm so happy, so very happy, I have the love of Jesus in my heart!

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton (8:45)

"Be a Light"

Mark Hayes (11:15)

Cherub Choir, Alleluia Choir, Kirk Choristers

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

THE TIME FOR TEENS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jane Fleischer (8:45)

Elizabeth Riddle (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:1-4, 31-34

(pew Bible, page 641)

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

(pew Bible, page 934)

One: The Word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"LOVE HAPPENS"

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.

**†HYMN OF REFLECTION** 

"Though I May Speak"

Hymn No. 335

#### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

(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** 

"Laudate Pueri"

Felix Mendelssohn

Katherine Clarkson, Sofi Unsworth, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45) Kirk Choir (11:15)

Praise ye the Lord. Praise, O ye servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore.

†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.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### THE WORD ENACTED

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you. **All:** And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Consecration

#### 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.

Words of Institution

One: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God!

The Communion of the People

Communion Anthem "Pie Jesus from Requiem" Andrew Lloyd Webber

Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano

Prayer after Communion

**†HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Hymn No. 446

**†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

**†BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "Christ, Now Go Before Us" Franz Schubert arr by H. Hopson

**†Postlude** Finale on "Hyfrydol" Henry Coleman

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God by Margaret O'Brien.

#### 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 David Warren (11:15).

ELDER ON CALL: (November 17 - 23) - Harry Robbins (843) 670-0337

DEACON ON CALL: (November 17 - 23) - Carolyn Gildersleeve (201) 486-0532

PASTOR ON CALL: (November 17 - 23) - Pastor Mary Robinson (843) 872-1527

# Welcome to First (Scots)

## Calendar of Events November 17 - 23

Monday, November 17

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.
Fellowship Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Evangelism Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.
Finance Committee Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.
Local Missions Meeting, 6 - 7 p.m.
Congregational Care Meeting, 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.
Diaconate Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.
Session Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.

#### Tuesday, November 18

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study - 7 - 8 a.m. Property Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, November 19

Ladies Bible Study, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Kirk Club, 3:30 - 5:40 p.m. Cancer Companion Book Club, 4 - 5 p.m. H.E.A.R.T - Moms Connect, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

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 20

Lectio Divina, 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Thursday Tabletalk, 12 - 1 p.m.
PW - Women at the Well Meeting, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

# **Donations**

We are still accepting donations of non-perishable items for those in need. Boxes have been placed in Molly Wier and the sacristy. Hall for donations of non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies, and anything else that might be considered a blessing to someone in need.

# Stewardship Commitment Card Reminder!

Please return your 2026 First (Scots)
Stewardship Commitment Cards to the church. We are aiming for 100% stewardship participation of all of our church family.

We need your participation.

If you have any questions, please contact Julianne Farnsworth at Julianne@farnsworthlaw.com or Harvey Mason at Harvey.mason@perigoneng.com.

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





#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Tuesday Men's Bible Study and Thursday noon Tabletalk (co-ed) have embarked on a new study.

1 Samuel is 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

All are welcome at PW's monthly Circle meetings!

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.

# PROGRESSIVE Dinner SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

#### 'TIS THE SEASON ONCE AGAIN!

This year's annual Progressive Dinner is Sunday, December 14 at 6 p.m. This year we will be moving this festive event to The Crescent neighborhood in West Ashley! A huge thank you to our hosts for opening their beautiful homes, address information will be provided to attendees closer to the event. The cost is \$35 per person and SPACE IS LIMITED so reserve your spot today! To RSVP, follow the QR code below. Please note your registration is not complete until payment is received. Please direct any questions to Lizzie Hamilton at lizziehamilton@outlook.com or 843-276-3466.

RSVP here



#### 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 18 at noon.

#### November 19 Menu:

Mixed Green Salad

Chicken bake: (English peas, carrots, mushrooms in creamy pot pie base & topped with breadcrumbs)

Garlic green beans Pumpkin cheese cake





# Angel Tree

Share the joy of the season by giving back to those in need

Gift tags can be found in Molly Wier Hall.

Please be sure to fill out a form with your information when you take a tag.

Unwrapped, labeled gifts due by Sunday, December 7

For more info go to www.charlestonhalos.org

#### 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!



Cherub Choir	Alleluia Choir	Gray Liner	Kirk Choristers	Sellars Liner
Heyward Anderson	Thomas Anderson	Van Marko Sawyer	Henry Byrne	Everett McCubrey
Elizabeth Grace Beall	Elly Becker	McChesney	Jack Byrne	Mullins McLeod
Libby Becker	Isla Branch	Drews McCubrey	Jarvis Darby	Mac Newberry
Corina Commers	Libby Byrne	Henry McCubrey	Charlotte Dawson	Monty Newberry
Sonny Darby	Sam Cagle	Gracie Ramsay	Penn DesChamps	Eva Riddle
Nelson Darby	Philip Cagle	Harrison Rushing	Beatrice Evans	Henry Rogers
Wes Henderson	Reese Darby	Esther Sausser	Davis Feussner	June Sausser
Whit Kinder	Charlie Darby	Harriet Shiver	Miles Feussner	Jayne Fraser Shiver
Banks Marko	Charlotte	Davis Smith	Abby Frick	Sawyer Smith
Gates McChesney	DesChamps	Harry Thornton	Mia Frick	Anna Clarke
Salters McLeod	Cora Feussner	Luis von Marschall	Charlie Fitzhenry	Thornton
Warren Miller	Tucker Fitzhenry	Margaret Wagoner	Max Fitzhenry	Rose Williams
Wells Rushing	Marion Greaver	Theo Williams	Fulton Greaver	Eloise Williams
Smith Stoddard	Florence Ham	Jane Zeigler	Louise Greaver	Manning Zeigler
Sam Thornton	Mills Henderson		Thomas Jackson	
Ellis Witty	Jane Kinder		William Jackson	
Powell Worsham	Barrett Leyh		Elizabeth Kunes	
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## The Door Reopens!

The Open-Door Initiative wrapped up its memorable ten-week journey on August 8, welcoming over 2,500 visitors to our historic sanctuary. Our guestbook recorded over 35 pages filled with names from around the globe! People came for inspiration, to learn about our history and faith, to meditate, or simply to escape the heat. Now, the Evangelism Committee is excited to announce that the Session has approved the continuation of this effort as The Open Door Ministry, every Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m. We need your support! We're seeking volunteers to host in our sanctuary on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons—individuals, couples, friends, young or old. No special church knowledge needed, just a warm heart eager to share that warmth with others. Feel the call? Reach out to Rob Dillon at 843-670-8002 or DillonR@fwgna.org. "Behold, I have set before thee An Open Door, and no man can shut it."



# Christmas Sanctuary Decorations

Honor or remember a loved one by donating to the sanctuary Christmas decoration.

The cost is \$29/flower, payable through E-giving, cash, or check, which can be delivered to the church office. Please be sure to write "Christmas Decorations" in the memo line.

Given by:	
In memory of: _	
In honor of:	

Forms and payments are due by Monday, December 15

## **Bingo & Ice Cream Social**



Youth Group Linktree





We're hosting a bingo & ice cream social for the congregation this Sunday in Molly Wier Hall! While the event is from 5:30-6:30 p.m., youth and youth advisors are asked to arrive at 5 p.m. and stay until 7 p.m. to help setup and cleanup the event. In addition to the frozen dessert and games, we'll also be serving pizza. This is a family friendly event for people of all ages and there is no cost to attend. Please RSVP using our Ice Cream Social SignUpGenius. If you can bring your favorite ice cream sundae topping to the ice cream social, please sign up using our Ice Cream Sundae Toppings SignUpGenius. Thanks!

#### Ski Trip Registration Closes November 16



This January 16-19 the youth of First (Scots) are heading to Winterplace Ski Resort in West Virginia for a long weekend of skiing, snowboarding, fellowship, and worship! The cost is \$425. Beginner lessons, bib rental and helmet rental (if desired) cost extra and will be added to the final balance due. Please see the Youth Ski Trip Flyer for all of the details. Register no later than November 16 by using our Online Registration Form. Space is limited, so we encourage everyone to sign up early. Per our Youth Trip Registration Policy,

both the registration form and deposit must be received for registration to be considered complete. Questions about your registration? Please contact Dakota Carte. We're looking forward to a special weekend!

#### ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER: Shary Dillon

8:45 A.M. USHERS:

Stephen Ham (Captain), Alison Beskins, Chris Hawk, Mayrelle Semken, John McNeill, Michael Branch 8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

Catie Smith (Lead Deacon), Lisle Henderson 8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Bob Baldwin

8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Jane Fleischer

8:45 A.M. BELL RINGER:

Kay Fuller

COFFEE GREETER:

Heidi Whaley

11:15 A.M. GREETERS: Lynn Graves, Brenda Dukes 11:15 A.M. USHERS:

Slade Metcalf (Captain), Dawson Smith, Chase Jasso, Meredith Jasso, Chris Bucknam, Ann Anderson

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Emily Topham (Lead Deacon), Paige Owens

11:15 A.M. BEADLE:

Harry Robbins

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Elizabeth Riddle

MEDIA MINISTRY: 11:15 A.M. BELL RINGER:

Gus Gresham



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

Cathy Hill

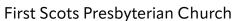


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Donna Lawson, Day Porter
Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant
Anne-Clark Peters, Communications Coordinator
Meredith Sharma, Cherub and Alleluia Choir Director
Garry Stone, Facility Maintenance Coordinator
Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir Director

Dr. Anthony Williams, Director of Music and Organist







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### Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL 8.7.8.7 D Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831 Charles Wesley, 1747 di - vine, ex - cel - ling, Joy 1. Love all loves of heaven, to 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In ev - erv to de - liv - er, 3. Come, Al - might - v to Let us all Thy 4. Fin ish. then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less earth come down, Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing, trou - bled breast! Let us all in Thee in her Sud re re - ceive; den lv turn. and er. nev tion let be: Let us see Thy great sal us va All Thy faith-ful mer - cies crown! Je Thou art all sus. com us find the prom-ised rest; Take a - way the love of Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - wavs Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee; Changed from glo - rv in - to pas - sion, Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as bless-ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove; Pray, and praise Thee heaven we glo - ry, Till in take our place, Till we cast



Alternate tune: BEECHER, 343

# Tú Has Venido a la Orilla Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore 377

Cesáreo Gabaráin, 1979 Trans. Gertrude Suppe, George Lockwood, Cesáreo Gabaráin and Raquel Achón, 1988; alt. Harm. Skinner Chávez-Melo ve - ni-do a la o - ri 1. Tú lla, Tú sa - bes bien lo que ten 2. go: 1. You have come up to the lake shore, You know that I own so lit tle, No has bus - ca do ni a sa - bios ni a ri cos, Tan mi bar En ca no hay o - ro ni es-pa das. wise nor for wealth -You Look - ing nei ther for V. In my boat there's no mon-ey nor weap ons, You'll

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#### Though I May Speak O WALY WALY LM



CHURCH: TRIUMPHANT Psalm 87

# 446 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7 D





Alternate tune: ABBOT'S LEIGH, 461