

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 1, 2026 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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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2026

8:45 & 11:15 A.M. SERVICES

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Cantabile”

Cesar Franck

(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. James T. Rogers

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Souper Bowl of Caring

Charlie Gresham (8:45)

Wit Thaxton (11:15)

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“My Soul Waits for the Lord”

K. Lee Scott

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

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

One: Jesus taught: Blessed are the poor in spirit. He said that the realm of God is theirs.

All: We read that those who mourn are blessed. Jesus said they will be comforted.

One: The meek will inherit the earth. The merciful will obtain mercy.

All: All who hunger and thirst for righteousness are blessed; Jesus said they will be filled.

One: Blessed are the pure in heart and the peacemakers; they are God's children and will see God.

All: Those persecuted and falsely accused are blessed. Even in the face of evil, we will rejoice.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

Hymn No. 454

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, we confess that we have accepted the world's wisdom as our guide. We have been impressed by the power of weapons and the importance of high positions. We measure worth by the number of possessions we command. We have been unkind in our speech and uncaring in our deeds. We have doubted the power of the cross to save. Turn us around, holy God, that we might be blessed. 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

“He's Got the Whole World in His Hands”

African American Spiritual

*He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.
He's got the whole world in hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.
He's got the itty bitty babies, in His hands. He's got the itty bitty babies, in His hands.
He's got the itty bitty babies, in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands.*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

THE TIME FOR TEENS

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jane Fleischer (8:45)

Shary Dillon (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: Micah 6:1-8

(pew Bible, page 757)

New Testament: Matthew 5:1-12

(pew Bible, page 785)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"THE UPSIDE DOWN KINGDOM"

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

"O for a World"

Hymn No. 386

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.)

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“There is a Higher Throne” Keith Getty/Kristyn Lennox Getty
Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo-soprano (8:45) arr. Lloyd Larson
 “Be Thou My Vision” Bob Chilcott
Kirk Choir (11:15)
Katherine Clarkson, soprano

†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**

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” Hymn No. 343

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“May the Peace of God” K. Lee Scott

†POSTLUDE

Toccata on “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Michael Burkhardt

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

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 Jeff Yost (8:45) and Carol Rees (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY**8:45 A.M. GREETER:**

Janet White

COFFEE GREETER:

Elizabeth Bernat

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Byron Frick, Harvey Mason

8:45 A.M. USHERS:

David Hay (Captain), Henry Hay III, Henry Hay IV,
 Chase McNair, Jon Carter, John White, Sr.

11:15 A.M. USHERS:

Grayson Liner (Captain), Greg Sheppard, Bob Ross,
 Mary McEachern, Ben King, Lindsey Melville

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

Ben O’Dell (Lead Deacon), Michelle Parks

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Elizabeth Johnson (Lead Deacon), Heidi Whaley

8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Karolea Lucas

11:15 A.M. BEADLE:

Jay White

8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Jane Fleischer

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Shary Dillon

8:45 A.M. BELL RINGER:

David Hay

MEDIA MINISTRY:

Matt Bucknam

11:15 A.M. BELL RINGER:

Kay Fuller

ELDER ON CALL: (February 2 - 8) - Jon Carter (843) 801-2070

DEACON ON CALL: (February 2 - 8) - Elizabeth Bernat (843) 300-9464

PASTOR ON CALL: (February 2 - 8) - Pastor Mary B. Robinson (843) 872-1527

Welcome to First (Scots)

Calendar of Events February 2 - 8

Monday, February 2

Worship Staff Meeting, 9:30 a.m.

General Staff Meeting, 10:30 a.m.

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 3

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

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

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

Wednesday, February 4

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

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

Cancer Companions, 4 - 5 p.m.

Taizé Worship, 5 - 5:30 p.m.

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

Thursday, February 5

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

Thursday Tabletalk, 12 - 1 p.m.

CALLED TO SERVE

God is calling new Ruling Elders and Deacons to serve our congregation. The Church's Nominating Committee is responsible for placing nominees for the offices of Deacon and Elder before the congregation. Please consider the requirements for Ruling Elder and Deacon, and, using the form linked at the QR code below, recommend members to serve who have demonstrated strong faith, dedicated discipleship, and a love of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

The deadline to receive nominations is now Wednesday, February 11. The Nominating Committee will present their slate of nominees at a congregational meeting on Sunday, April 12.

Please keep their work in your thoughts and prayers!



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, February 3 at noon.

February 4 Menu:

House Salad

Chicken Cordon Bleu:

(chicken stuffed with ham, gruyere, and white cheddar cheese)

Creamy Broccoli Cheddar Rice

Mixed Vegetables

Strawberry Cake with Icing

Kids Menu:

Cheese Quesadillas

RSVP here



VALENTINE'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

JOIN US ON
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11
FOR A SPECIAL VALENTINE'S DINNER!

Menu:

Sliced Tenderloin with Horseradish Cream
Seared Salmon with Creamy Dill Sauce

Parmesan and Gouda Potato Gratin
Charred Winter Vegetables
Chocolate Silk Pie, Raspberry Coulis,
and Whipped Cream

\$15 PER PERSON

\$35 FOR FAMILY OF MINOR CHILDREN

YOU MUST PICK YOUR ENTREE BEFOREHAND.

PLEASE RSVP AT THE QR CODE
OR BY CALLING THE OFFICE
BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON

Tuesday, February 10, 11:30 a.m.
Molly Wier Hall

Guest Speaker: Jane Jenkins Herlong

Join Jane Jenkins Herlong, former Miss South Carolina, author of five award-winning books, and Hall of Fame Speaker, for a joyful reminder that faith, humor, and a good melody can carry you through anything. With laughter, heart, and unforgettable stories, Jane leaves audiences lighter, lifted, and laughing all the way home.



- ♥ Laughter with Purpose
- ♥ Stories That Stick
- ♥ Inspirations You'll Carry With You

Admission is \$25 per person.

Childcare is free, but you must RSVP by January 27.

Admission is payable through cash or check* at the church office or Sunday offering plate.

*Please make your check out to PW of First (Scots).

RSVP by scanning the QR code.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW)

FEBRUARY

CIRCLE MEETINGS

The annual Valentine's Luncheon on February 10 at 11:30 a.m. will serve as the February gathering for the **Unbroken and Betty Noble Circles**. We hope you'll bring a friend & join us at the Valentine's Luncheon.

Women at the Well will meet Thursday, February 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m., in the home of Clarissa McKenzie for fellowship & fun. This is a casual social gathering, and Pop-Ins & Newcomers are welcome!

The Seekers Circle will meet Wednesday, February 25 at 11:30 a.m. in the home of Betsy Middleton. Sugar Slabaugh will lead Lesson 3 from the PW Horizons Bible Study. Newcomers are welcome to attend! Please email co-leaders EPMiddleton230@gmail.com or SieglingChristy@gmail.com for more info as needed.



HIGH NOON ORGAN RECITAL

Join us at First (Scots) Presbyterian Church on
Saturday, February 7 at 12 p.m.
for an organ recital by our own
Director of Music and Organist,
Dr. Anthony Williams.

As part of the Colour of Music Festival Concert Series, works preformed will include Samuel Coleridge-Taylor's Impromptu in F Major, Op. 78, No. 1, César Franck's Pièce Héroïque, Adolphus Hailstork's Adagio and Fugue in F Minor, and Ralph Simpson's Two Spirituals, Jacob's Ladder, Swing Low, Sweet Chariot.

To purchase tickets follow the QR code.



CANCER COMPANIONS

The winter session of Cancer Companions is held on Wednesdays from 4-5 p.m. and runs through March 25. Please contact the church office at (843) 722-8882 for more information.

LINE DANCING!

Please mark your 2026 calendars now! Line dancing classes will begin again in February, every Thursday from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall. No partner needed! No experience required! Just move! Contact Pam Arnett (pampagearnett@gmail.com) if you have any questions.



KIRK CLUB

Kirk Club is back for the new year! If your child has not been signed up, you still have time to register for the new semester! Kirk Club meets most Wednesdays from 4 - 5:30 p.m. Just scan the QR code and fill out the registration Jotform.

SCAN ME TO
SIGN UP!





Youth Workday Fundraiser

The Costa Rica and Banner Elk, North Carolina Mission Teams have their annual workday fundraiser on Saturday, March 7 from 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Do you have some housework or yard work for them to do? Simply call or email Dakota Carte at (843) 722-8882, dcarte@first-scots.org and let her know the type of work (please have all supplies and equipment ready), the number of people needed for the job, and the time frame desired. All donations for work done will go toward the cost of the mission trips.

February 8 is Youth Sunday



On February 8 our youth will lead us in worship at both services, and their theme this year is "Roads." Following the services, our young people will be collecting non-perishable food items and monetary donations for One80 Place, as a part of the 2026 Souper Bowl of Caring. Every donation will support those in our community who are in need of shelter, food, and compassion. This annual event started at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in 1990 and since then has raised over 220 million in dollars and food to address hunger.

TUESDAY EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

BIBLE STUDY: ACTS of the APOSTLES by Max Lucado

WHEN: Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Room 203

QUESTIONS: Martha Jane Hudnall
(mjhudnall@comcast.net)

& Ruthie Edwards (halfsouthern1@gmail.com)

WORLD MISSIONS

Join us on Sunday, February 15 at 10 a.m. in Rooms 227/228 as we meet and share important information about this upcoming trip!

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church Mission Trip July 18–24, 2026 Chiapas, Mexico. Serve with local churches near Palenque, Chiapas alongside missionaries Dr. Salvador and Irma De La Torre through church construction, Bible School, and (if available) medical/dental care. No special skills required—just a willing heart. For more information contact Todd Garrett at (843) 408-8846 or The Rev. Dr. Holton Siegling at (865) 456-2235.

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 discussions.

Thursday Afternoon Tabletalk

Bring your lunch and come gather on Thursdays at noon in Room 227/228 and learn about the depth and beauty of the Word of the Lord.

WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study will begin a 10-week, video based study of *Joshua: Every Good Promise Fulfilled*, by Jen Wilkin. Join us on Wednesdays from 10-11:30 a.m. in room 203. In this 10-session, verse-by-verse study of the book of Joshua, Jen Wilkin helps us see how God's commands, though sometimes difficult, are always rooted in His steadfast love for His people. Please contact Amy Shubert at ashubert27@gmail.com for more information. We hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE

SCOTS Day

February 28, 2026

More Details & Sign-Up Coming Soon!



Youth Sunday Rehearsal, February 1 [5 – 7 p.m.]

This Sunday high school and middle school youth are meeting in the Kirk House for supper and then moving to the sanctuary for a rehearsal of the “Roads” themed Youth Sunday Worship Service (February 8 at 8:45 & 11:15 a.m.). Those who have speaking parts should bring their final drafts to the rehearsal. Want to be a part of worship leadership, but have not signed up? Check out our Youth Sunday SignUpGenius for available parts.



Summer Trip Registration Closes on Sunday!

This summer high school and middle school youth will again have opportunities to make new friends, deepen their relationships with God and others, serve, learn, worship, and have fun. Trip details and registration forms can be accessed using the links below. Registration for summer trips (with \$100 deposits) is open from January 1 – February 1, however trip capacity is limited, so we encourage everyone to apply as soon as possible. If you have any trouble with trip registration, please contact Dakota Carte at (843) 722-8882. If financial aid will enable you to participate or you need a little more time to decide, please James Rogers know.

- Middle School Youth Mission Trip to Banner Elk, NC (June 7-11; for current 6th-8th graders)
- High School Youth Conference to Montreat, NC (June 14-20; for current 8th-12th graders)
- Middle School Youth Conference to Maryville College, TN (July 15-19; for current 5th-8th graders)
- High School Youth Mission Trip to Costa Rica (July 25-31; for current 9th-12th graders)



If you feel called, please prayerfully consider online giving, accessible using this QR code! In addition to the offering plate, pledges may be made with pledge cards, located in and around the sanctuary.



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



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First Scots Presbyterian Church



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First (Scots) New Members



Leslie Platt & Trip Ritchie

Tripp and Leslie are joining First (Scots), with Tripp joining by Reaffirmation of Faith. Tripp works in mortgage lending with Palmetto Elite Mortgage, and Leslie works at MUSC while pursuing her master's degree. A lifelong Charlestonian, Leslie has three children—Carson, Anna Claire, and Meredith. Together, they enjoy boating, the beach, and spending time outdoors, and are grateful to have found a church home where they can grow in faith and community.



Kristy & Guy Castles

Kristy and Guy are joining First (Scots) by Letter of Transfer from James Island Presbyterian Church. They have lived in Charleston for about 10 years and have two children, with a third child expected in July. Kristy owns Holy City Dentistry and completed her dental residency at MUSC after growing up in Richmond, Virginia. She met Guy during her residency and was raised in the Lutheran church. Guy, an attorney who practices litigation, grew up Presbyterian and enjoys golf, hunting, fishing, and cheering on the Clemson Tigers.



Kitty & Dave Green

Kitty and Dave are joining First (Scots) by Letter of Transfer from Shallotte Presbyterian Church. Lifelong Presbyterians, both have served as Elders, and Kitty has been deeply involved in church leadership and education over the years. They recently moved to Charleston to be closer to family, including their daughter Ginger Liner, and are delighted to be part of a church community where family and faith are central.



Whitney & Elliott Lewis

Elliott and Whitney are joining First (Scots) by Reaffirmation of Faith. They have lived in Charleston since 2009 and are excited to make First (Scots) their church home. Elliott, who grew up in Georgia, works in wealth management and enjoys golf. Whitney grew up in the Presbyterian Church in Sumter and Summerville, and she has stepped back from the MUSC operating room to care for their three-month-old daughter, Lucy. She is also the owner of Holy City Party, a balloon business she started during COVID.



Marissa Baum & Keaton Adams

Marissa and Keaton reside in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, where they are building a life rooted in shared values and community. Marissa works in marketing and also creates social media content for local businesses. Keaton works in software sales, and has a long-standing passion for cars, and racing. They share a love for historic preservation and enjoy spending time at the beach together and with their dog Bentley. Marissa and Keaton are excited to be married at First Scots in December 2027.



Maria Hagan

Maria joins us by Letter of Transfer from Westminster Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, Tennessee. She has served on the Diaconate and in childcare and youth ministries and currently helps with Kirk Club. An educator with a background in curriculum and design, she is a graduate of Rhodes College and the mom of two—Liam, a college student, and Lyla, a high school senior. She is happy to be back and reconnecting with the First (Scots) community.

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

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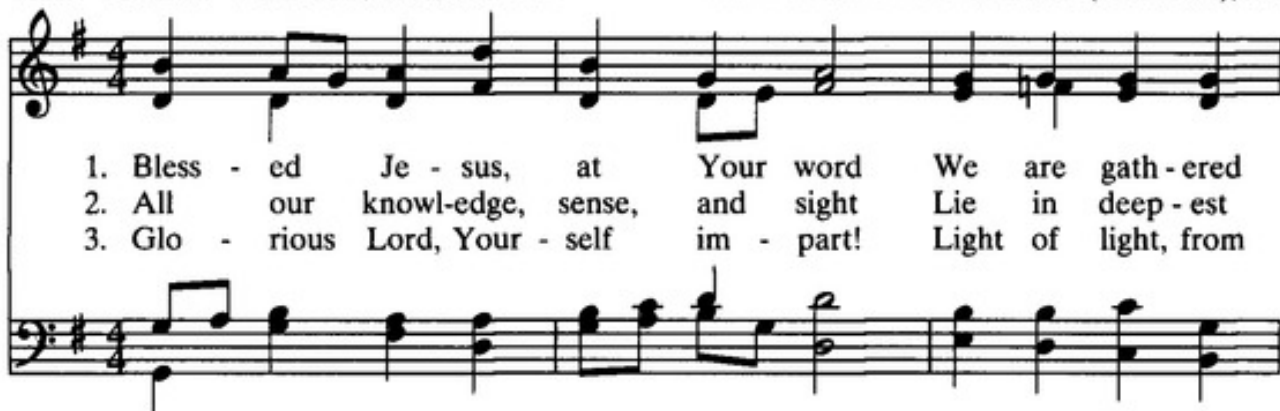
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Tobias Clausnitzer, 1663

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt. 1972

Johann Rudolph Ahle, 1664

Harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750); alt.



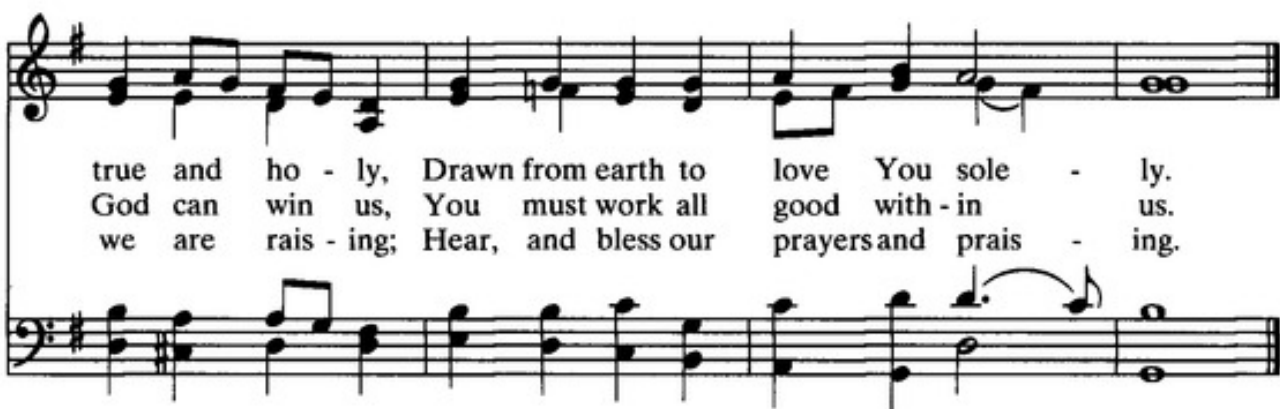
1. Bless - ed Je - sus, at Your word We are gath - ered
 2. All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est
 3. Glo - rious Lord, Your - self im - part! Light of light, from



all to hear You; Let our hearts and souls be stirred
 dark - ness shroud - ed, Till Your Spir - it breaks our night
 God pro - ceed - ing, O - pen now our ears and heart,



Now to seek and love and fear You; By Your teach - ings
 With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; You a - lone to
 Help us by Your Spir - it's plead - ing; Hear the cry that



true and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love You sole - ly.
 God can win us, You must work all good with - in us.
 we are rais - ing; Hear, and bless our prayers and prais - ing.

O for a World

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Miriam Therese Winter, 1987

Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

1. O for a world where ev - ery - one Re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2. O for a world where goods are shared And mis - er - y re - lieved,
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly And strug - gle with each choice
4. The poor are rich, the weak are strong, The fool - ish ones are wise.

Where love is lived and all is done With jus - tice and with praise.
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, E - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty And gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn; Out - casts be - long, Who per - ish - es will rise.

5. O for a world preparing for
God's glorious reign of peace,

Where time and tears will be no more,
And all but love will cease.

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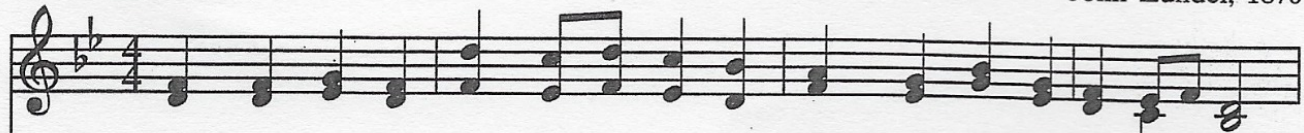
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Jane Parker Huber, 1981


John Zundel, 1870





1. Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, Called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2. Christ's ex - am - ple, Christ's in - spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3. Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, In a small or glob-al sense,
 4. So God grant us for to - mor-row Ways to or - der hu - man life

We re-pond with deep com-mit-ment Fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 Let us fol - low, nev - er fal-tering, Rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.
 Help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, Break-ing down each wall or fence.
 That sur-round each per - son's sor-row With a calm that con - quers strife.

May we learn the art of shar-ing, Side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor-er, All God's peo - ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi - sion, Words of chal-enge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, Our com - pas-sion to in - crease,

E - qual part - ners in our car-ing To ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
 Blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth-er Gra - cious gifts from God un - fold.
 Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, Make us col-leagues, free and fair.
 Mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv-ing Hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

