

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 29, 2026 AT 8:45 & 11:15 A.M.



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

THE REV. DR. PETER R. B. SUTTON
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THE REV. DR. DANIEL W. MASSIE
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SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

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

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”
“All Glory, Laud and Honor”
Organ (8:45)
“My Jesus, I Love Thee”
“Palm Sunday Procession”
Handbell Choir (11:15)

J. Wayne Kerr
Robin Dinda
arr. Jason W. Krng
Michael Helman

(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

Youth Auction Fundraiser Donations

Wit Thaxton (8:45)
Mary Caroline Siegling (11:15)

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“Hosanna to the Son of David”
Laura Ball, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano (8:45)
Kirk Choir (11:15)

David Halls

†CALL TO WORSHIP

One: People of God, come and lift your voices, not because we have won the victory, but because the Lord has.

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: The battle is the Lord's. Salvation belongs to God!

All: Let us worship the Lord, trusting not in ourselves, but in God's sure and saving grace.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

Hymn No. 89

PRAYER OF ADORATION

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, we confess that though we shout “Hosanna,” our hearts often turn from you. Forgive us, O Lord, when we trust in our own strength rather than in your saving power, and when, for fear of the giants before us, we forget that the battle belongs to you. Return us to steadfast trust and lead us in the way of the cross. Remind us that salvation is your work alone, and that in Jesus, the victory is already won. By your Spirit, make us humble and faithful, and help us to rest confidently in your grace; 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

“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”

*Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates, behold, the King of glory waits;
the King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here!
Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide.
Let me Thy inner presence feel; Thy grace and love in me reveal.*

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

Linda Stout (8:45)
Julie Cannell (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament: 1 Samuel 17:1-4, 8-11, 32-37, 41-47, 49-50
New Testament: Matthew 21:1-11

(pew Bible, page 227)
(pew Bible, page 802)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“THE BATTLE IS THE LORD’S”

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

“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

Hymn No. 423

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Pastor Mary 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

“Psalm 150”

Bob Chilcott

*Laura Ball, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo-soprano (8:45)
Kirk Choir (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.*

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
†HYMN OF COMMITMENT	“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”	Hymn No. 88
†CHARGE AND BLESSING		The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.
†BENEDICTION RESPONSE	“Go In Peace and Joy”	Melchior Frank arr. Hall Hopson
†POSTLUDE	“Toccata in B Minor”	Eugène Gigout



Handbell Choir: Elizabeth MacAnally, Anne Smith, Helen Reid, Amanda Henley,
Caroline Barnes, Kristen LaSeta

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in gratitude for the gift and life of Bert Hudnall by his loving wife, Martha Jane Hudnall.

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 Anna Smith (8:45) and LW McAnally (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER:

Shary Dillon

8:45 A.M. USHERS:

Walker Avant (Captain), Henry Hay III, Henry Hay IV,
Andrew Wilkins, John McNeill

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

Whitney Stoddard, (Lead Deacon), Carolyn Gildersleeve

8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Karolea Lucas

8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Linda Stout

COFFEE GREETER:

Kathy Rhodes

MEDIA MINISTRY:

Scarlett Crawford

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Jane McNeill, Lynn Graves

11:15 A.M. USHERS:

David Warren (Captain), Mary McEachern, George Flynn,
Ann Anderson, Greg Sheppard, Bobby Sumner

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Chase McNair (Lead Deacon), Joanne Mauldin

11:15 A.M. BEADLE:

Greg Robinson

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Julie Cannell

ELDER ON CALL: (March 30 - April 5) - Bob Baldwin (843) 856-0303

DEACON ON CALL: (March 30 - April 5) - Kathy Rhodes (843)856-8358

PASTOR ON CALL: (March 30 - April 5) - Pastor Mary Robinson (843)872-1527

Welcome to First (Scots)



If you feel called, please prayerfully consider online giving, accessible using this QR code! In addition to the offering plate, pledges may be made through the website, through Realm, and in the church office.

Calendar of Events

March 30 - April 5

Monday, March 30

Worship Staff Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
General Staff Meeting, 10:30 a.m.
Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.
Bridge, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 31

Open Door Initiative, 1 - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1

Taizé Worship, 5 - 5:30 p.m.
Kirk Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday, April 2

Open Door Initiative, 1 - 4 p.m.
Light Supper, 6 - 7 p.m.
Maundy Thursday Service, 7 p.m.

Good Friday, April 3

Stations of the Cross at the Battery, 12 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 5

Sunrise Service at the Battery, 6:30 a.m.
Easter Sunday Service, 8:45 a.m.
Butterfly Release in the Graveyard, 10:55 a.m.

TAIZÉ & WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Next week, we will not have Wednesday Night Supper. Instead, a light supper will be served at 6 p.m. before our 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday service. All are welcome to join us for this meal, but we ask that you please RSVP as usual before next week. Thank you!

RSVP here



LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

This Lent, set aside time each day for prayer, reflection, and Scripture. This Lenten devotional offers you thoughtful readings to guide through the season and prepare your heart for Easter. Scan the QR code to access the devotional.



EVENTS OF HOLY WEEK

Sunday, March 29 ~ Palm Sunday

Easter Egg Hunt and potluck luncheon immediately following the 11:15 a.m. worship service

Tuesday, March 31

No men's breakfast or Bible study

Wednesday, April 1

No Wednesday Taizé or Supper

Thursday, April 2 ~ Maundy Thursday

Light Dinner in Molly Wier Hall at 6 p.m.
Communion Service at 7 p.m.

Friday, April 3 ~ Good Friday

Stations of the Cross - at 12 p.m. begins at the Battery Gazebo

Sunday, April 5 ~ Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service at The Battery at 6:30 a.m.
Worship Services at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
Butterfly Release in the Graveyard at 10:55 a.m.



Congregational Meeting

A Congregational Meeting is scheduled for

April 12 at 10:50 a.m.

regarding the nomination committee report on the election of church officers.

All are encouraged to attend.

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church sanctuary

KINDERGARTEN

Our 5K program provides an engaging and nurturing Christian environment where children grow academically, socially, and emotionally while developing a lifelong love of learning. If you are interested in learning more, contact Jenn Cromwell, Kindergarten Director, at 843-722-8882 or by email at fspckindergarten@first-scots.org. Tours are available by appointment.

First (Scots) Presbyterian Kindergarten is looking for an Assistant Kindergarten Teacher who will prepare students for entry into first grade. For more information on the position, please follow the QR code below or contact Jenn Cromwell, Kindergarten Director, at 843-722-8882 or email her at fspckindergarten@first-scots.org.



FIRST (SCOTS) ARCHIVES

Please check out this new section of our website for articles and photographs about significant parts of First (Scots) history which provide a window into our shared past. Use the link to learn more.



REALM CONNECT

We're working to get members' photos on "Realm," our church directory app!

If you'd like to upload your own photo, please use the "edit" button next to your profile. (The "edit" button looks like a little pencil.)

Starting April 12, the Congregational Care Committee will be working to photograph members who do not yet have a picture on Realm: expect future announcements about photography sessions between services! To download and log into the Realm app, please contact Scarlett Crawford at scrawford@first-scots.org.

VBS ~ SAVE THE DATE!



This year's Vacation Bible School is set for July 27-July 31. Registration info coming soon!



22ND ANNUAL FIRST (SCOTS) FELLOWSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

Registration is now open for the annual golf tournament to be held on Monday, April 6 at the Charleston Municipal Golf Course. Proceeds from the golf tournament will benefit local, regional, and world mission efforts of the First (Scots) Youth. Deadline to register is Monday, March 30. For questions, contact Brent Sausser at (843) 670-7300 or brentsausser@gmail.com. Follow the QR Code to register.

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The Honorary Life Membership (HLM) program sponsored by Presbyterian Women (PW) was established in the Presbyterian Church to honor faithful service to the work of the church.

If you would like to nominate someone for this award electronically, please use the QR code below to do so by the March 29, 2026 deadline. A list of those who have previously received this award is included with the nomination form, since these individuals are ineligible for re-nomination.



PW BOARD MEETING

The PW Board is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, April 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Massie Building.

NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS!

DAILY DURING BUSINESS HOURS
FOR THE



Youth Mission Auction and Sale

Donations Drop-off: Dakota Carte (843) 722-8882

Large Donations Pick-up and questions: Mark Zuraw (843) 822-3470

Suggestions

Antiques
Art Supplies
Baby Sitting
Baked Goods (sweet & savory)
Bicycles
Boats & Water Sports Items
Bric-a-Brac
China
Computer Services
Crystal
Decorating Items

Furniture (small)
Frozen Casseroles
Garden Items
Harbor Tours
Jewelry
Kitchen Items
Ladies Purses & Hats
Lamps
Legal Services
Music Lessons
Original Art
Party Services

Plants & Planters
Professional Services
Un-Opened Perfume & Cologne
Restaurant Gift Certificate
Rugs
Sports Equipment
Sports Tickets
Store Gift Certificates
Tools
Tutoring & Lessons
Vacation Rentals

Please remember, all items to be in good condition!

NO Clothes, large appliances, guns, VCR items, books, large exercise equipment, or sofas.

MARK THE DATE MAY 6 ON YOUR CALENDAR!

SUPPER, SILENT AUCTION, LIVE AUCTION
CASH & CARRY ROOM

DOOR PRIZES

\$250 Dining Out Gift Card & \$200 Target Gift Card

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Given by: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Number of Flowers: Easter Lily _____ Geranium _____ Hydrangea _____

Flowers are \$27 each and may be taken home after the 11:15 a.m. service on April 5.

Attach cash or check and deliver to the church office, or pay through E-Giving.

Include "Easter Flowers" on check memo.





We Walked for Water!

On Saturday, March 21, the high school youth joined church members, young and old, in the 20th annual Walk for Water. 37 people joined the First (Scots) team and experienced the three-mile walk giving us a better understanding of the distance people around the world walk each day for water. 5,033 total walkers raised \$695,359 to bring clean, safe water and the Living Water message of Jesus Christ to almost 14,000 people in need around the world. Check out a few photos of this special day. Special thanks to Hewitt McKenzie, Youth Leadership Team Member, for recruiting youth participants for this year's walk. Can't wait until next year!



1731 LEGACY SOCIETY UPDATE

Designating a specific amount, a percentage, or the remainder of your estate allows you to preserve assets now and give the gift of possibility to future generations.

You can contact Bill Prewitt directly (843) 620-0158 or wmprewitt@gmail.com.

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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*Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Württembergischen
Katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784; alt. 1868*

Jennette Threlfall, 1873

1. Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2. From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed 'Mid an ex - ult - ant crowd,
3. "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The joy - ful an - them rang;
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, And chant - ing clear and loud;
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heaven our King.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them Close fold - ed to His breast,
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state,
O may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice,

The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET LM

John Hatton (d. 1793)

Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.

Desc. David McKinley Williams, 1959

Descant

5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring Hon - ors pe -

1. Je - sus shall reign where - e'er the sun Does its suc -
 2. To Him shall end - less prayer be made, And prais - es
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue Dwell on His
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns; The pris - oners

cu - liar to our King; An - gels de - scend with

ces - sive jour - neys run, His king - dom stretch from
 throng to crown His head; His name, like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song, And in - fant voic - es
 leap to lose their chains, The wea - ry find e -

songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud A - men!

shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume, shall rise With ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
 ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.

5. Let every creature rise and bring
 Honors peculiar to our King;

Angels descend with songs again,
 And earth repeat the loud Amen!

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor

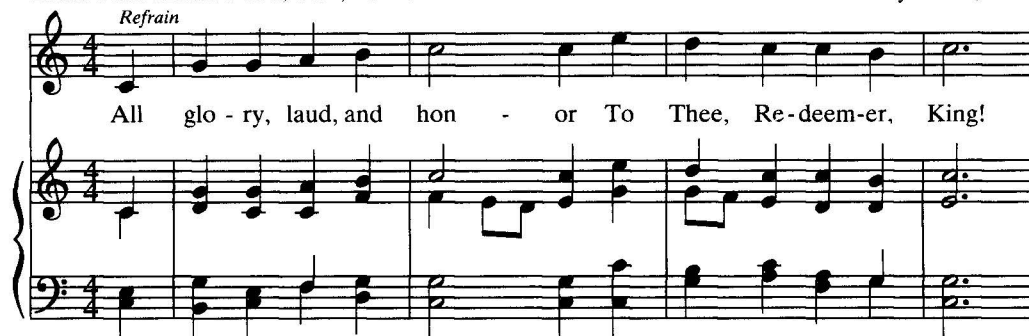
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Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820

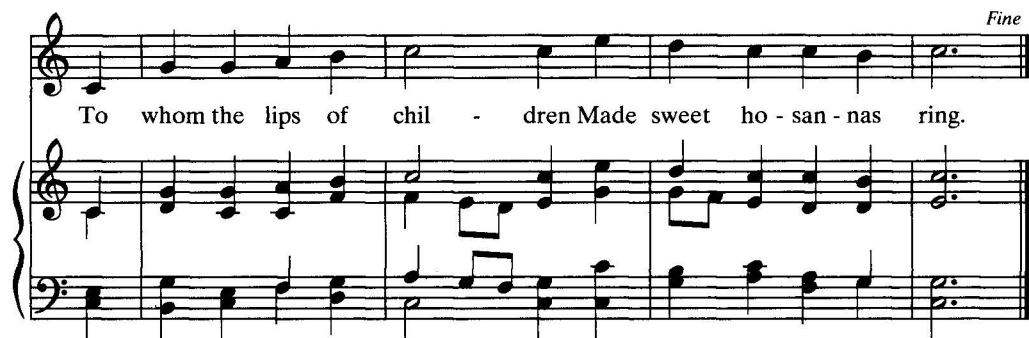
Melchior Teschner, 1614

Trans. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt. 1859

Arr. William Henry Monk, 1861

Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To Thee, Re-deem-er, King!

Fine


To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, Thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2. The peo - ple of the He - brews With palms be - fore Thee went;
 3. To Thee, be - fore Thy pas - sion, They sang their hymns of praise;
 4. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Repeat Refrain


Who in the Lord's name com - est, The King and bless-ed One.
 Our praise and prayers and an - thems Be - fore Thee we pre - sent.
 To Thee, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
 Who in all good de - light - est, Thou good and gra-cious King!