

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 26, 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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PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
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SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026

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

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

“Pastorale”

Alex Rowley

Organ (8:45)

“Praise for the Morning”

Michael E. Akers

“Shall We Gather at the River”

arr. Michael Helman

Handbell Choir (11:15)

(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

Auction Fundraiser Attendance

Georgiana Thaxton (8:45)

Sam Rowe (11:15)

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

“I Will Fill This House With Glory”

Eric Thiman

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

Kirk Choir (11:15)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

One: The work of God's hands is faithful and sure. We come before the Lord who created the heavens and the earth, and whose covenant faithfulness endures forever.

All: The work of God's hands is righteousness and grace. God searches and knows us, judges sin with perfect justice, and in Jesus Christ extends mercy to sinners.

One: The work of God's hands is salvation. In Christ, we are not cast away but gathered in, not condemned but made new, and held fast by His sovereign grace.

All: Let us worship the Lord our God, who forms us, redeems us, and sustains us by His steadfast love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Hymn No. 288

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy and merciful God, You claim us by Your Spirit, judge us by Your Word, and redeem us in Christ alone. We confess that we have lived as though we belong to ourselves, forgetting that we are the work of Your hands. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and turned from Your ways. Yet in Jesus Christ You show mercy to sinners and grant new life. Forgive us, O Lord, not for our worthiness, but for Christ's sake. Renew us by Your Spirit and shape us again by 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.*

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

†CHILDREN’S HYMN

“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 his hands.**He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.**He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. He's got you and me, sister, in his hands.**He's got everybody here in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.***THE WORD OF GOD****THE TIME WITH CHILDREN****THE WORD ENACTED**

The Sacrament of Baptism (11:15)

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

THE TIME FOR TEENS**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Carrie Simpson (8:45)

Jason Wall (11:15)

THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Daniel 5:1-6, 10-14, 22-23, 25-28, 30

(pew Bible, page 721)

New Testament Lesson: John 8:1-11

(pew Bible, page 870)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“WHEN THE HAND OF GOD APPEARS” 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

“Take My Life”

Hymn No. 391

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

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

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Mark Wilberg

*Regina Yost, flute**Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Watson, 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.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Hymn No. 210

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“God Be In My Head”

John Rutter

†POSTLUDE

Toccatina on “Great Day”

Adolphus Hailstork

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM will be administered during the 11:15 a.m. service to **Ann Murray McGill, daughter of Julia Elizabeth & William Cox McGill.**

Ann will be baptized by **The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.**

Elder Harry Robbins will deliver a prayer of dedication.

HANDBELL RINGERS: Kristen LaSeta, Candace Brace, Anne Lewis, Helen Reid, Anne Smith, Caroline Barnes

The flowers in the sanctuary on April 19, 2026 were given by Joe Malecki to the glory of God and in loving memory of his wife, Bea Smith.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God from Suanne and Kevin Trimmer in loving memory of her father, Gabriel Tiberio.

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 Nonie Crosby (8:45) and Karen Prewitt (11:15).

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

8:45 A.M. GREETER:

Ryan Glenn

COFFEE GREETER:

Matt Thomas

11:15 A.M. GREETERS:

Porter Yount, Campbell Smith

8:45 A.M. USHERS:

Whit Smith (Captain), Anne Smith, John Metcalf,
Bob Hurd, Dale Poulnot

11:15 A.M. USHERS:

Brad Morrison (Captain), Jon Bolt, Porter Yount,
David Warren, Janice Culp, Bob Ross

8:45 A.M. DEACONS:

Emily Topham (Lead Deacon), Anna Smith

11:15 A.M. DEACONS:

Michael Branch (Lead Deacon), Will DesChamps

8:45 A.M. BEADLE:

Stephen Carnie

11:15 A.M. BEADLE:

Harold Davis

8:45 A.M. LAY READER:

Carrie Simpson

11:15 A.M. LAY READER:

Jason Wall

MEDIA MINISTRY:

Matt Bucknam

ELDER ON CALL: (April 27 - May 3) - David Hay (843) 670-1557

DEACON ON CALL: (April 27 - May 3) - Matt Thomas (919) 306-2027

PASTOR ON CALL: (April 27 - May 3) The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. (865) 456-2235

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 April 27 - May 3

Monday, April 27

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.

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

Confirmation Meeting with Session, 6 - 7 p.m.

Session Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.

Tuesday, April 28

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

Open Door Initiative, 1 - 4 p.m.

Property Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29

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

Taizé Worship, 5 - 5:30 p.m.

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

Kirk Adult Choir Rehearsal, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Officer Training, 6:15 - 8 p.m.

Thursday, April 30

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

Thursday Tabletalk, 12 - 1 p.m.

Open Door Initiative, 1 - 4 p.m.

TAIZÉ & WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Our mid-week chapel service begins at 5:00 p.m. in Lilly Chapel followed by a delicious meal 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. This week the deadline to RSVP is Tuesday, April 28 at noon.

April 29 Menu: House Salad, BBQ Chicken Legs, Loaded Potato Salad, Garlic Green Beans, Banana Pudding



RSVP here



VBS

Vacation Bible School

July 27 - July 31

Register at the
QR Code!



End of Year All Church Event 2nd Annual Kirk & Kettle

Sunday, May 17th

11:00am - 1:00PM in Molly Wier Hall

COME, EAT BRUNCH & EXPLORE!

Find Your Special Opportunities!

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

The Evangelism Committee invites you to join our next Membership Inquiry class on Saturday, May 2 from 9-11 a.m. Please contact the church office at (843) 722-8882 for more information.

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.

SPRING LINE DANCING

It's Springtime which is the best time to put on your Boogie Shoes and dance! Please join our Dancing Scotties on the following Thursdays: April 30 & May 7, 14 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall. Contact Pam Arnett at pampagearnett@gmail.com if you have any questions.



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.)

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.

1731 LEGACY SOCIETY UPDATE

First Scots Members are welcomed to the 1731 Legacy Society when they honor First (Scots) Church in their wills or trusts, make life insurance agreements, or name the 1731 Legacy Society as an irrevocable beneficiary or life insurance policies or retirement plan assets. You can contact Bill Prewitt directly (843) 620-0158 or wmcprewitt@gmail.com.

FIRST FRIENDS

The Evangelism Committee is re-vamping our First Friends Ministry - and we need you! A First Friend welcomes new members, shares helpful information, and invites them to get involved. It's a simple way to make a big impact and help others feel at home. Interested in being a friendly face? Join us! Contact Karen Kuhn in the church office at (843) 722-8882.



Presbyterian Women's Birthday Luncheon

Tuesday, May 12 at 11:30 a.m.

in Molly Wier Hall

With guest speaker Dr. Otis Pickett

Historian of Clemson University

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

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

Follow the QR code below to register by May 10.

\$25 per person

Childcare is free, but you must register before April 29.



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

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

*Tuesday Morning Men's Breakfast
and Bible Study*

Join us at 7 a.m. in Molly Wier Hall for a delicious breakfast followed by an insightful discussion on scripture in Room 227/228.

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.

STEPHEN MINISTERS

A Stephen Minister provides one-to-one care for people facing life challenges. They are a child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting, has received 50 hours of training in providing personal care, and will "be there" for their care receiver for as long as is needed. If you are interested in learning more, contact Pastor Mary Robinson at (843) 722-8882.



Youth Group, April 26

This Sunday from 5-7 p.m., we're hosting a Parents' Night Out and babysitting the children of the church (and thirty-six children have signed up to attend!). This is a chance for us to celebrate that they are a part of our church community and show them the love of Jesus Christ. On Sunday, please meet in Molly Wier Hall by 5 p.m. With so many children arriving at 5 p.m., we need to be ready to receive them! Please be sure to wear comfortable clothes for playing on the floor or on the playground. A pizza dinner will be served. Costa Rica and Banner Elk mission teams will continue to meet until 7:30 p.m.



Topgolf!

Last Sunday our middle school youth and advisors spent time at Topgolf. In addition to playing a variety of games, the group enjoyed good food. Special thanks to our middle school youth advisors, event driver Mikell Thaxton, and to Maria Hagan, Youth Ministry Coordinator, who served as the primary leader of the event. Check out photos from the evening by using the Youth Group Linktree QR Code..

We Want to Celebrate First [Scots] Graduates



Are you or is somebody else in your family graduating from high school, college, or graduate school? If so, we'd love to celebrate this achievement. Please submit graduate information by April 26 using the QR Codes below.

- **High School Seniors** (Please note that the annual High School Senior Recognition Sunday will be on May 10 at 11:15 a.m. During this worship service we will introduce and pray for our high school seniors, as well as do a special presentation of gifts.)



- **College and Graduate School Students**



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
 Maria Massie Hagan, Youth Ministry Coordinator

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



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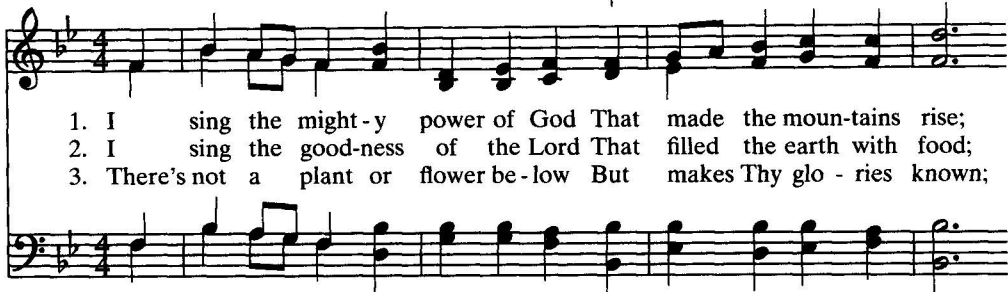
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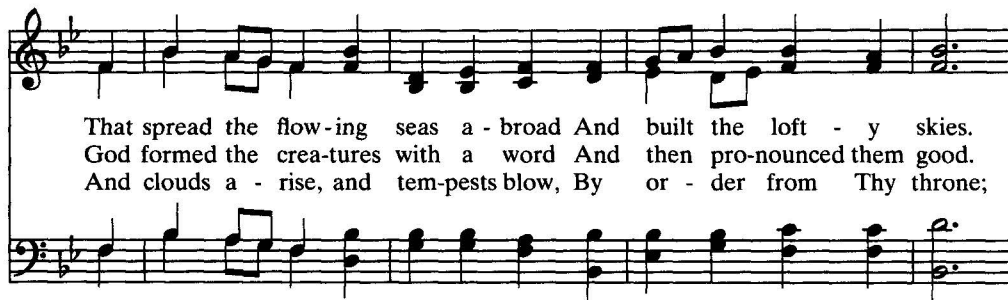
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*Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Wirtembergischen
Katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784; alt. 1868*

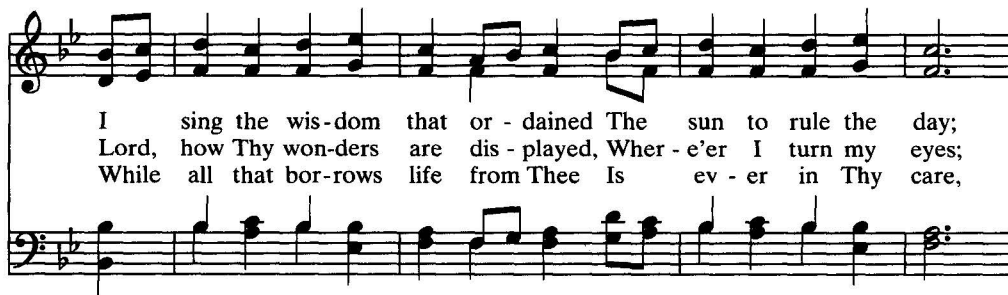
Isaac Watts, 1715; alt.



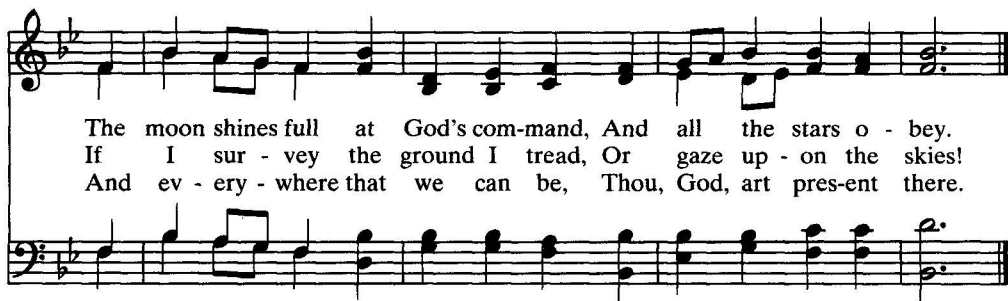
1. I sing the might - y power of God That made the moun - tains rise;
2. I sing the good - ness of the Lord That filled the earth with food;
3. There's not a plant or flower be - low But makes Thy glo - ries known;



That spread the flow - ing seas a - broad And built the loft - y skies.
God formed the crea - tures with a word And then pro - nounced them good.
And clouds a - rise, and tem - pests blow, By or - der from Thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained The sun to rule the day;
Lord, how Thy won - ders are dis - played, Wher - e'er I turn my eyes;
While all that bor - rows life from Thee Is ev - er in Thy care,



The moon shines full at God's com - mand, And all the stars o - bey.
If I sur - vey the ground I tread, Or gaze up - on the skies!
And ev - ery - where that we can be, Thou, God, art pres - ent there.

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Take My Life

HENDON 7.7.7

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874

H. A. César Malan, 1827

1. Take my life, and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee.
 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love.
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, Al - ways, on - ly, for my King.
 4. Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;

Take my mo - ments and my days; Let them flow in
 Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beau - ti -
 Take my lips, and let them be Filled with mes - sa -
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use Ev - ery power as

cease - less praise, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for Thee, Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 ges from Thee, Filled with mes - sa - ges from Thee.
 Thou shalt choose, Ev - ery power as Thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will, and make it Thine;
 It shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is Thine own;
 It shall be Thy royal throne,
 It shall be Thy royal throne.
6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 At Thy feet its treasure store.
 Take myself, and I will be
 Ever, only, all for Thee,
 Ever, only, all for Thee.

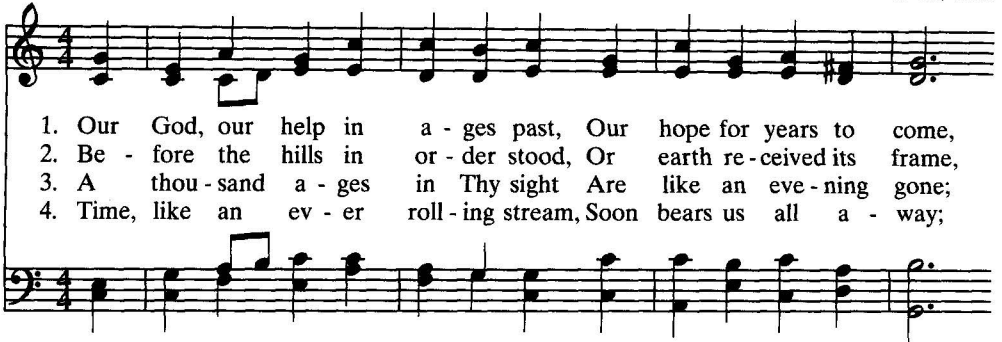
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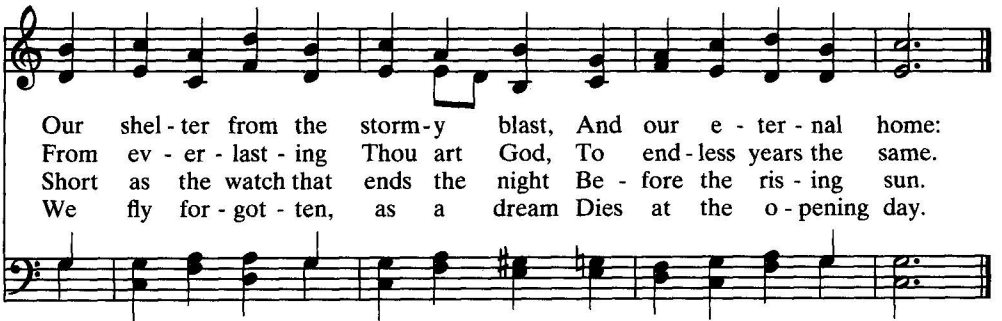
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Isaac Watts, 1719; alt.

Attr. William Croft, 1708



1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
 2. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived its frame,
 3. A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone;
 4. Time, like an ev - er roll - ing stream, Soon bears us all a - way;



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
 From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
 Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 We fly for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the o - pening day.

5. Our God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come,
 Be Thou our guard while life shall last,
 And our eternal home.