

# FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 17, 2026 AT 10 A.M.



THE REV. DR. L. HOLTON SIEGLING, JR.  
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ASSOCIATE PASTOR

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## THE VISION OF GOD

10 A.M. SERVICES

### PRELUDE

“Lord of the Dance”  
*Allison Williams, piano*

Joel Raney

(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

### †PASSING OF THE PEACE

### CHORAL INTROIT

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”  
*Cherub Choir, Alleluia Choir, Kirk Choristers*

Cecil Frances Alexander

### †CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Not to us, O Lord, but to your name be all glory.

**All: For you alone are God, maker of heaven and earth.**

One: The Lord says, “I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other.”

**All: We gather not to praise ourselves, but to worship the living Christ.**

One: Come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

**All: Let us worship almighty God!**

### †PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Praise Ye the Lord, Almighty”

Hymn No. 482

### PRAYER OF ADORATION

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

**Gracious and loving God, You alone are worthy of our worship, yet we confess that our hearts are often drawn toward lesser things. We become captivated by success, distracted by appearances, and tempted to seek recognition instead of faithfulness. Forgive us, O Lord, for the times we point others toward ourselves rather than toward Jesus Christ. Cleanse us of pride, reorder our lives, and teach us again to seek first your kingdom. By your Holy Spirit, make us humble and faithful witnesses, so that in our words and lives, others may see not us, but the living Christ. In Jesus' name 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

“Seek Ye First”

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness;  
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!  
Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find.  
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!*

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

### THE WORD ENACTED

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

### THE TIME FOR TEENS

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elizabeth Riddle

### THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 42:5-9

(pew Bible, page 584)

New Testament Lesson: Acts 14:8-18

(pew Bible, page 898)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“WHEN WE MISTAKE THE MESSENGER” The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

### THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### †THE APOSTLES' CREED (unison)

Pastor Mary B. Robinson

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

“Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”

Hymn No. 426

### 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

(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

“Pilgrims' Hymn”

Stephen Paulus

*Kirk Choir*

### †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

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Hymn No. 281

### †CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

### †BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Forth in the Name of Christ We Go”

Heinrich Schutz  
arr by Hal Hopson

### †POSTLUDE

“Fanfare” in B-Flat Major

Charles Ore

**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.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Nan and Tod Williams in celebration of the children in the Senior Kindergarten class of the First (Scots) Presbyterian Kindergarten, who graduated on May 15, 2026

The flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday, May 10, were given in loving memory of their mothers from Sally and Bill Raver.

### **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 docent is Karen Prewitt.

### **ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY**

#### **GREETERS:**

Harvey Mason, Janice Key

#### **USHERS:**

Haylea Shuman (Captain), Gary Gildersleeve,  
Billy McGill, David Gaston, Davis Finnen,  
Andrew Wilkins

#### **DEACONS:**

Will DesChamps (Lead Deacon), Catie Smith

#### **BEADLE:**

Janice Key

#### **LAY READER:**

Elizabeth Riddle

#### **MEDIA MINISTRY:**

Matt Bucknam

**ELDER ON CALL: (May 18 - 24) - Adam Yount (843) 478-6507**

**DEACON ON CALL: (May 18 - 24) - Heidi Whaley (843) 607-0331**

**PASTOR ON CALL: (May 17 - 21) The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers (843) 513-3717**

**PASTOR ON CALL: (May 22 - 24) The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. 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  
Maria Massie Hagan, Youth Ministry Coordinator  
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

# 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 May 18 - 24

### Monday, May 18

*Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.*

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

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

*Examination by*

*Session/Deacons/Reception, 5:45 - 7 p.m.*

*Session Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.*

### Tuesday, May 19

*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.*

*Worship Committee Meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.*

### Wednesday, May 20

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

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

### Thursday, May 21

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

*Thursday Tabletalk, 12 - 1 p.m.*

*Open Door Initiative, 1 - 4 p.m.*

## KIRK & KETTLE

The Evangelism Committee invites you to our KIRK & KETTLE! Join us today following the 10 a.m. worship service. We will rejoice in what we have done as a church this past year as well as promote opportunities to extend member involvement during the upcoming year. Please join us for food, fun, and a chance to learn how you can answer the call to serve.

Local Missions will have a kettle to fill with items for the Blessing Box! Donations of non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies, and anything else that might be considered a blessing to someone in need.

## 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.

End of Year All Church Event  
**2nd Annual Kirk & Kettle**  
**TODAY!**  
Celebrate! COME, EAT BRUNCH & EXPLORE! Door Prizes!  
Find Your Special Opportunity!

**VBS**  
Vacation Bible School  
July 27 - July 31  
Register at the QR code!

## 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](mailto:fspckindergarten@first-scots.org). Tours are available by appointment.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

*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*  
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.

## NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please consider volunteering in the nursery during worship services. Volunteers must be 18+ and background checked (the church will reach out to handle this). Follow the QR code to sign up!

Please reach out to Emma Seiss ([emma.seiss@gmail.com](mailto:emma.seiss@gmail.com))

or Ashley DesChamps ([cedassist@first-scots.org](mailto:cedassist@first-scots.org)) with any questions. We appreciate your service!

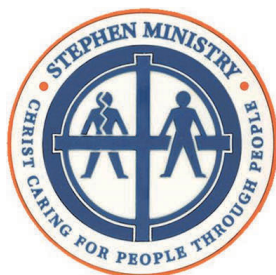


## **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN (PW)**

**Women at the Well:** We'll gather in the home of Hayley Carter on May 21 at 6:30 p.m. Please contact [birdgirl59@yahoo.com](mailto:birdgirl59@yahoo.com) if you'd like to be added to the evite list for future events.

**Unbroken Circle:** Please join us for a picnic at the home of Linda Stout Tuesday, June 9 at 11:30 a.m. Contact [SusanBridwell@gmail.com](mailto:SusanBridwell@gmail.com) to RSVP or if questions arise.

**We hope you'll pop by our table during the Kirk & Kettle event on May 17 for even more info!**



## 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.



## **Auction Fundraiser Success!**



Thank you to everyone who participated in the 18th Annual Youth Mission Auction & Sale. The \$20,000 that was raised will enable thirty-seven youth and adults to serve in Chilamate, Costa Rica, and Banner Elk, North Carolina, this summer. Special thanks to Mark & Joanne Zuraw (Auction Coordinators), Charlie Gresham & Wit Thaxton (Live Auctioneers), Sarah Wiggins & Joe Hahn (Silent Auctioneers), Ashley Harper (Cash and Carry Leader), and the many others whose hard work enabled a successful event.

## 482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8

Joachim Neander, 1680

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.

Stralsund *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665Harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

Desc. Craig Sellar Lang, 1953

*Descant*

3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

1. Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2. Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly  
 3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy  
 reign - eth, Shel - ters thee un - der His wings, yea, so  
 dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

prais - es be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His  
 health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, Now to His  
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen How thy de -  
 prais - es be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His

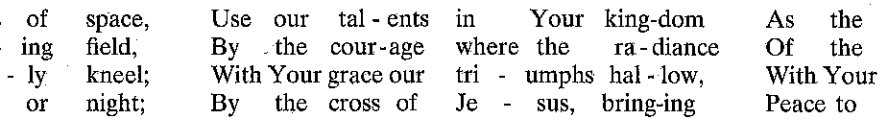
peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him.  
 tem - ple draw near; Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 sires e'er have been Grant - ed in what He or - dain - eth?  
 peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him.



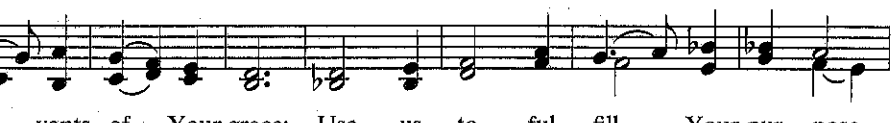
Lord of light, Your name out - shin - ing All the stars and  
 By the toil of faith - ful work - ers In some far out -  
 Grant that knowl - edge, still in - creas - ing, At Your feet may  
 By the prayers of faith - ful watch - ers, Nev - er si - lent



of space, Use our tal - ents in Your king - dom As the  
 ing field, By the cour - age where the ra - diance Of the  
 - ly kneel; With Your grace our tri - umphs hal - low, With Your  
 or night; By the cross of Je - sus, bring - ing Peace to



- vants of Your grace; Use us to ful - fill Your pur - pose  
 s is still re - vealed, By the vic - to - ries of meek - ness,  
 - i - ty our zeal; Lift the na - tions from the shad - ows  
 and heal - ing light; By the love that pass - es knowl - edge,



the gift of Christ Your Son:  
 gh re - proach and suf - fer - ing won: Ab - ba, as in  
 the glad - ness of the sun:  
 - ing all Your chil - dren one:



*Refrain*

the gift of Christ Your Son:  
 gh re - proach and suf - fer - ing won: Ab - ba, as in  
 the glad - ness of the sun:  
 - ing all Your chil - dren one:



high - est heav - en, So on earth Your will be done.

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## Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak 426

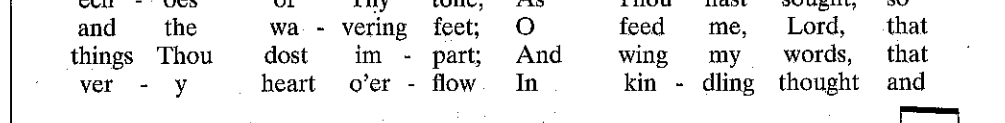
Frances Ridley Havergal, 1872 CANONBURY LM Robert Schumann, 1839



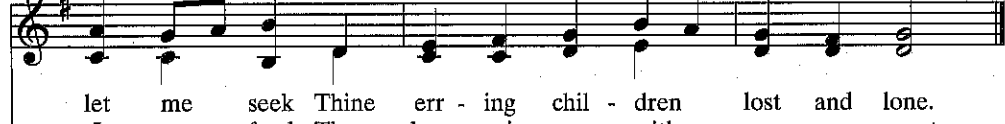
1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak In liv - ing
2. O lead me, Lord, that I may lead The wan - dering
3. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach The pre - cious
4. O fill me with Thy full - ness, Lord, Un - til my



ech - oes of Thy tone; As Thou hast sought, so  
 and the wa - vering feet; O feed me, Lord, that  
 things Thou dost im - part; And wing my words, that  
 ver - y heart o'er - flow In kin - dling thought and



let me seek Thine err - ing chil - dren lost and lone.  
 I may feed Thy hun - ger - ing ones with man - na sweet.  
 they may reach The hid - den depths of man - y a heart.  
 glow - ing word, Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.



5. O use me, Lord, use even me,  
 Just as Thou wilt, and when, and where;  
 Until Thy blessed face I see,  
 Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share.



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## 281 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

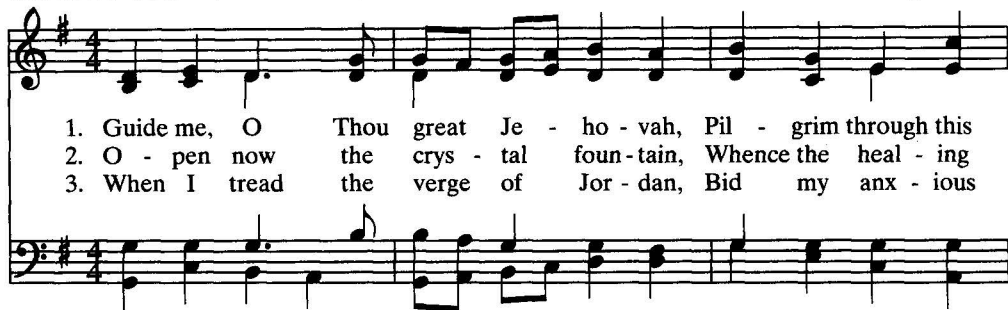
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William Williams, 1745

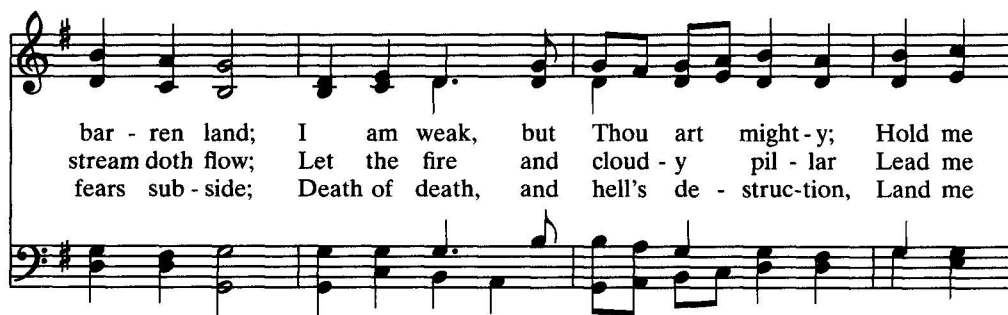
Stanza 1 trans. Peter Williams, 1771

Stanzas 2-3 trans. William Williams, 1772

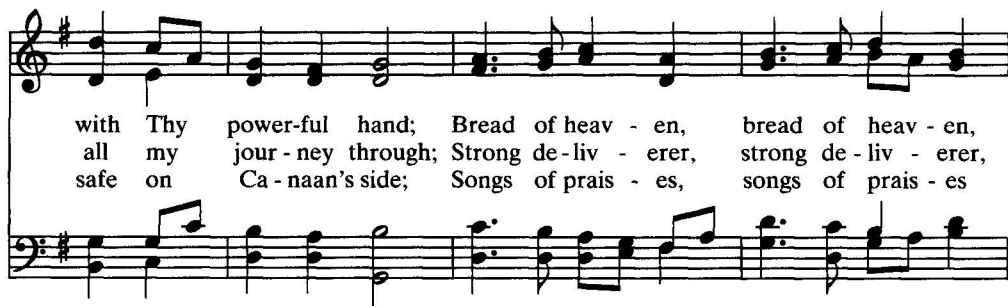
John Hughes, 1907



1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim through this  
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, Whence the heal - ing  
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land; I am weak, but Thou art might - y; Hold me  
 stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar Lead me  
 fears sub - side; Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, Land me



with Thy power - ful hand; Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through; Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side; Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.  
 Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.  
 I will ev - er give to Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee.