

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 28, 2026 AT 10 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
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

THE REV. DR. DANIEL W. MASSIE
PASTOR EMERITUS

Serving God in Charleston and the world

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10 A.M. SERVICE

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

Toccata on "How Firm a Foundation"

Craig Phillips

(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

Hands of Christ

Betsy Martin

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

"God Is In This Holy Place"
Summer Choir

Johannes Brahms
arr. Hal H. Hopson

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in times of trouble.

All: Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change and the mountains shake in the heart of the sea.

One: Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

All: In him all things hold together.

One: When life is uncertain and the way is unclear, the Lord remains faithful.

All: We gather to worship the One who has claimed us as his own, who sustains his Church, and who holds us in his everlasting arms.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

Hymn No. 361

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious and Merciful God, You call us to trust You above all else, yet we confess that we often place our trust in ourselves, in our accomplishments and in the approval of others. When life becomes difficult, we grow anxious rather than relying upon Your providence, and when Jesus calls for our first allegiance, we are tempted by competing loyalties. Forgive us, O Lord. Renew us by Your grace, and remind us that our hope rests not in ourselves, but in Jesus Christ, who remains faithful through every season of life and in whom all things hold together. 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

"This Is My Father's World"

*This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.*

*This is my Father's world. Oh, let me ne'er forget. That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: The battle is not done; Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.*

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

Julie Cannell

THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 20:7-13

(pew Bible, page 630)

New Testament Lesson: Matthew 10:34-42

(pew Bible, page 791)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

"WHAT HOLDS US TOGETHER"

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.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

Statement of Ordination and Installation

Constitutional Questions for the Church Officers and Congregation

Prayer of Dedication and Installation and the Laying on of Hands

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

Welcome and Charge

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Here I am, Lord"

Hymn No. 525 (Verses 1 and 3)

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.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Lead Me, Lord"

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Summer 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

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Hymn No. 260

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Amen”

McNeil Robinson II

†POSTLUDE

“Carillon”

Louis Vierne



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

Welcome to First (Scots)! We are glad you are here. After worship, you are invited to meet our docent at the harpsichord for a brief 10-15 minute tour and introduction to our church family.

First-time visitors will receive a welcome bag. Today's docent is Harold Davis.

The flowers in the sanctuary are to the Glory of God and in celebration of our nation's 250th Anniversary; these flowers are dedicated with grateful hearts in thanksgiving for the blessings of liberty, the sacrifices of those who have defended our freedoms, and God's enduring grace upon America, from Jan & Tom Litton.

2029 CLASS OF DEACONS

Shelley Ashcroft
Walker Avant
Wiley Becker
Laura Greaver
CJ Kerr
Brad Morrison
Mary Orr
Caroline Spitznagel
Holly Wise
Whit Thaxton (Youth)
Wilson Pickren
Tom Hardy

2029 CLASS OF ELDERS

Chris Bucknam
Harold Davis
Legare Gresham
Greer Hostetter
Shannon Ravenel
Sam Rowe (Youth)
Debbie Rice-Marko
Pam Wall
John Witty

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETERS: David Hay, Harry Robbins

LEMONADE IN THE SHADE: Youth

USHERS: Mikell Thaxton (Captain), Chad Covert,
Clark Truluck, Rachel Herbert,
Matt Spath, Todd Plaxco

DEACONS: Heidi Whaley (Lead Deacon),
Paige Owens

BEADLE: Matt Johnson

LAY READER: Julie Cannell

MEDIA MINISTRY: Matt Bucknam

ELDER ON CALL: (June 29 - July 5) - Jon Carter (843) 801-2070

DEACON ON CALL: (June 29 - July 5) - Paige Owens (404) 798-8360

PASTOR ON CALL: (June 29 - July 5) - The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr. ((865) 456-2235



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



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 June 29 - July 5

Monday, June 29

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, June 30

Open Door Initiative, 10 - 2 p.m.

Wednesday, July 1

Open Door Initiative, 10 - 2 p.m.

Cancer Companions, Summer Book Club, 4 - 5 p.m.

Thursday, July 2

Open Door Initiative, 10 - 2 p.m.

Saturday, July 4

Happy Independence Day!

Sunday, July 5

Sabbath 1776 Worship, 10 a.m.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

We currently have only seven dates remaining for flower sponsorships - four this summer and three in the fall. If you would like to reserve one of these dates, please contact the church office. Sponsorships are \$165 for Sunday flowers. Please call Debbie Rice-Marko at (843)367-8089 or Karen Kuhn at (843)722-8882.

WE THE PEOPLE

Come see history unfold as historical reenactors and community leaders perform a public reading of the Declaration of Independence on the steps of the Old Exchange at 122 East Bay Street, the same location where South Carolinians first heard its powerful words in 1776. This reading is free and open to the public at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 4. As Chaplain of the Washington Light Infantry, the Reverend Dr. L Holton Siegling, Jr. will offer the invocation for this event.



CHARLESTON 250

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church

Invites You to Experience

1776 Colonial Worship



In commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and the freedom of religion we enjoy, step back in time for a uniquely immersive worship experience, with a blending of past and present. On Sunday, July 5, 2026, at 10 a.m., we welcome members and guests to reflect on how our colonial congregation may have gathered for worship during the summer of 1776.

Experience the simplicity of an 18th century service. An immersive segment will feature a precentor leading the congregation in the traditional lined-out style of Psalm singing, without musical accompaniment. The sermon will be presented by the Rev. Dr. Peter R.B. Sutton, dressed in authentic 1776 attire, and while the congregation will receive the Lord's supper in the modern way, Elders will receive the Lord's supper in a manner consistent with the historic Presbyterian and Scottish tradition of that time, all around the historic communion table from Lilly Chapel.

Enjoy watching our children bring the era to life in historic bonnets and tricorne hats provided at the service. Wearing period dress and kilts is encouraged. Gift bags will be available for all children and visitors in attendance.

In the weeks leading up to July 5, please pick up a recipe card at the church for the kinds of cookies typically enjoyed in 1776. Then, bake and bring them to share and enjoy at the post-service reception to be held out front on the portico.



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First Scots Presbyterian Church



www.first-scots.org



Lemonade in the Shade, June 28 (10:45 – 11:45 a.m.)

Today, youth who have completed grades 6-12 will offer congregational care by hosting the weekly Lemonade in the Shade after service this Sunday! Expect to be around for about 45 minutes (until 11:45 a.m.) after church to facilitate and clean up afterwards. If you are able to help, please exit the sanctuary during the offering and meet Maria Hagan, Youth Ministry Coordinator, on the portico (front porch of the sanctuary). The group will cart supplies over from the kitchen and set everything up just after the offering, remaining for the reception to interact with the church congregation. Everyone loves seeing you. The younger people get to see what service in action looks like when done by the cool, pro, older youth! Thank you for considering helping out! It'll be fun.

Youth Group
Linktree



Youth Group Lunch, June 30

Our fifth weekly youth lunch of the summer is Tuesday, June 30 from 12-1:30pm. Youth who have completed grades 6-12 are invited to meet at Locals in Mt. Pleasant and bring \$ for lunch. Look for Maria Hagan, Youth Ministry Coordinator, as well as members of our youth advisor team. This summer each Tuesday youth lunch will feature time for fellowship, food, and a brief devotion. Since eating out can get expensive, join us when you can, but don't feel obligated to come every week. The summer schedule includes the meeting location and links to each restaurant's website, so you can view the menu and prices. And know that you don't have to buy a meal. We always welcome those that want to hang out and eat a few fries off a youth advisor's plate! Photo is from the Hugh Baby's Lunch on June 16.



Topgolf & Youth Group Lunch, July 14 (12-2 p.m.)

The Youth Group is experiencing Topgolf Charleston on July 14 from 12-2 p.m. Meet at Topgolf (4878 Tanger Outlet Blvd, North Charleston, SC 29418) by 11:45 a.m., so you can register before game play starts at 12 p.m. While game play fees are covered by the church, please bring cash for your meal. Please reserve your spot through Realm by July 1. In addition, please have a parent complete a Youth Permission and Release Statement, if you haven't turned one in for 2025-2026. Rides are available from the Kirk House, departing at 11:15 a.m. sharp and returning at 2:45 p.m., but must be reserved through Realm.



HANDS OF CHRIST



First (Scots) has been a part of and a major supporter of the Hands of Christ ministry since the program began. The mission of Hands of Christ is to provide school uniforms and school supplies to children in need.

On Saturday morning, August 1, First (Scots) will work with host church Second Presbyterian to conduct an in-person Hands of Christ distribution. On Friday, July 31 at 2:00 p.m., volunteers are also needed to help with the set-up. MANY volunteers are needed!

If you have participated in an in-person distribution event, you know how rewarding and fun it is to deal with these elementary kids! If you have not, join us and find out! Come be the Hands of Christ reaching out to help each child have a positive, exciting beginning of school!

The Sign-up sheets, the schedule for all Hands of Christ distributions, and a list of items that you and your family can provide this year will be on the Portico this Sunday and again on Sunday, July 12 and July 19. You can also find it online at the QR code to the right.



COME JOIN US FOR SNOWBALL MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE VBS!

JULY 27 - 31, 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.

\$75 PER CHILD

AGES 4 THROUGH 5TH GRADE

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SCAN TO SIGN UP!



SCAN TO VOLUNTEER!

FIND
YOUR
STRENGTH
IN GOD

How Firm a Foundation

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"K" in *A Selection of Hymns, 1787*

Ed. John Rippon; alt.

American folk melody

Funk's *Genuine Church Music, 1832*

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,

Is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 For I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 And sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.

5. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
 I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
 That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

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Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM, LORD 7.7.7.4 D with refrain

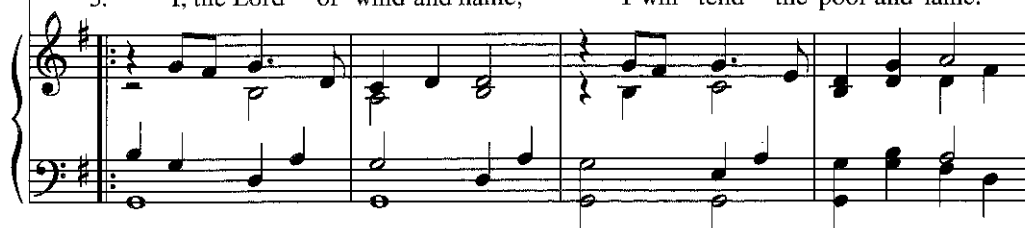
Daniel L. Schutte, 1981

Daniel L. Schutte, 1981; alt.

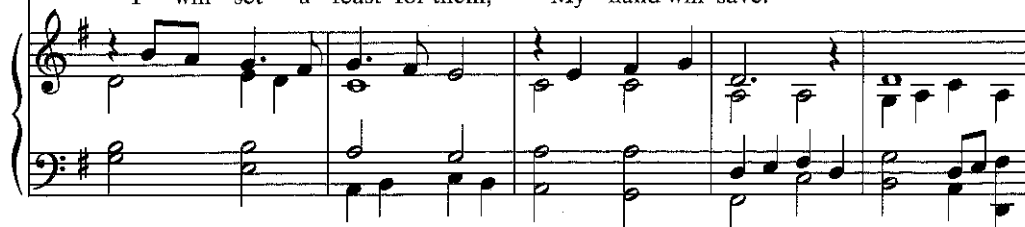
Harm. Michael Pope, Daniel L. Schutte, and John Weissrock, 1983



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My peo-ple cry.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My peo-ple's pain.
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in deep-est sin My hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them, They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.



I who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain
Unison

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have

heard You call-ing in the night I will

go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your

peo - ple in my heart.

Fine

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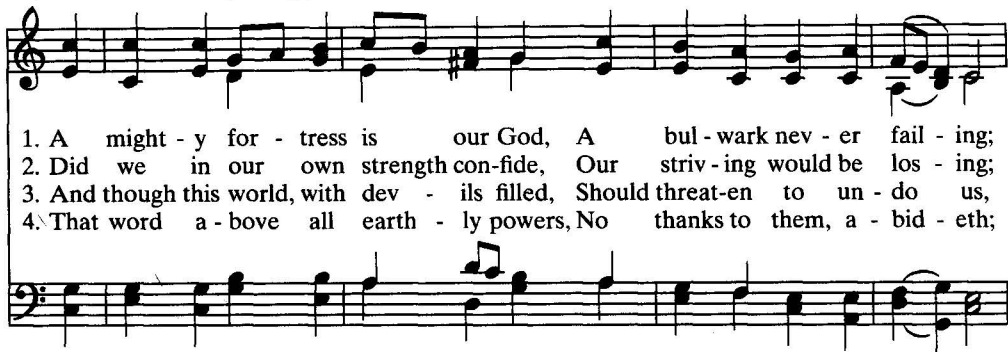
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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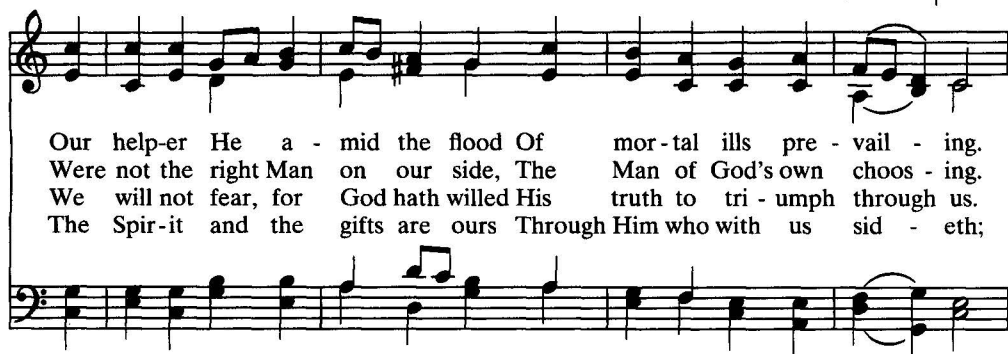
Martin Luther, 1529

Trans. Frederick Henry Hedge, 1852

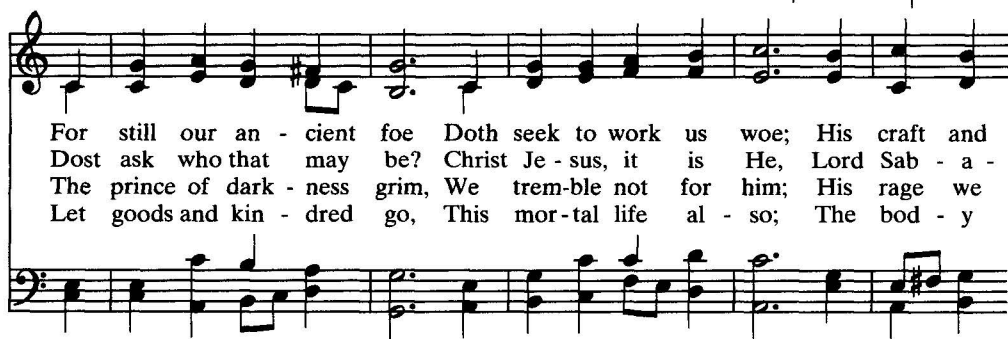
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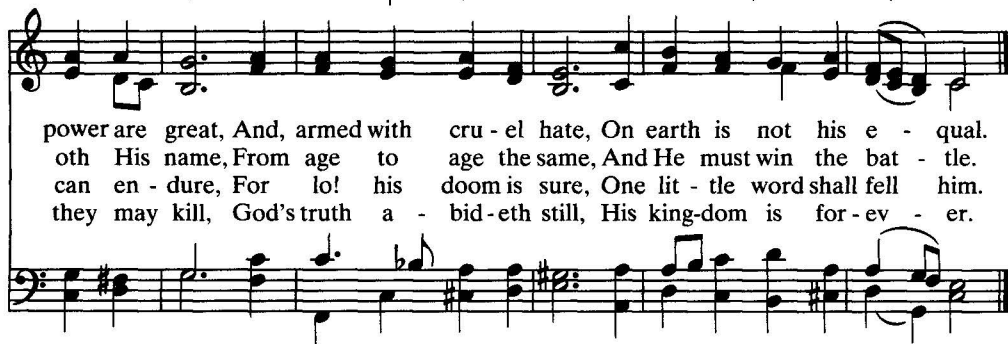
1. A might - y for - tress is our God, A bul - wark nev - er fail - ing;
 2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, Our striv - ing would be los - ing;
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, Should threat - en to un - do us,
 4. That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, No thanks to them, a - bid - eth;



Our help - er He a - mid the flood Of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choos - ing.
 We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to tri - umph through us.
 The Spir - it and the gifts are ours Through Him who with us sid - eth;



For still our an - cient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is He, Lord Sab - a -
 The prince of dark - ness grim, We trem - ble not for him; His rage we
 Let goods and kin - dred go, This mor - tal life al - so; The bod - y



power are great, And, armed with cru - el hate, On earth is not his e - qual.
 oth His name, From age to age the same, And He must win the bat - tle.
 can en - dure, For lo! his doom is sure, One lit - tle word shall fell him.
 they may kill, God's truth a - bid - eth still, His king - dom is for - ev - er.