

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

53 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina 29401

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 26, 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
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PASTOR MARY B. ROBINSON
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THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

Meditation on "Adoro Te Devote"

Charles Callahan

Christina Wilhoit, Cello

(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.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL INTROIT

"Come, Let Us Join"

K. Lee Scott

Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo soprano

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

One: This is what the Lord says: "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit."

All: We come trusting not in ourselves, but in the living God.

One: Do not despise the day of small things, for the Lord rejoices to accomplish His purposes through humble beginnings.

All: The Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed—small in its beginning, yet great in the harvest God provides.

One: Come, let us worship the Lord, whose faithfulness endures through every generation.

All: Let us worship God!

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

Hymn No. 476

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and everlasting God, we confess that we are often impressed by what is large, visible, and celebrated, while overlooking the quiet work of Your Spirit. Forgive us for despising the day of small things, for doubting the value of simple acts of faithfulness, for growing impatient with Your timing, and for trusting our own strength more than Your promises. Plant within us the faith of the mustard seed. Teach us to trust that Your Kingdom grows according to Your perfect purpose and not our expectations; 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

“We Are Marching”

*We are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching (marching), We are marching (oooo),
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching (marching), We are marching, (oooo),
We are marching in the light of God.*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE TIME WITH CHILDREN

THE WORD ENACTED

The Sacrament of Baptism

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

THE TIME FOR TEENS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Benjamin King

THE WORD READ

Old Testament Lesson: Zechariah 4:6-10

(pew Bible, page 770)

New Testament Lesson: Matthew 13:31-33

(pew Bible, page 795)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“DON’T DESPISE SMALL THINGS”

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

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

†THE APOSTLES’ CREED (unison)

The Rev. Dr. Peter R. B. Sutton

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

“The Church of Christ in Every Age”

Hymn No. 421

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

“Come Thou Fount”

arr. Bob Krogstad

Katherine Clarkson, soprano; Timmi Winston, mezzo 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

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

Hymn No. 155

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Blessing”

Katie Moran Bart

†POSTLUDE

“Toccata Giocosa”

Gilbert Martin



Please join us for a reception following today's service in Molly Wier Hall
to honor The Rev. Dr. Peter Sutton.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM will be administered to **Talia-Grace Michelle Williamson,**
daughter of Timmi Rebecca and Thomas Michael Williamson.
Talia-Grace will be baptized by **The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.**
Elder Shary Dillon will deliver a prayer of dedication.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Aubrey & Chris Randolf.

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 Jeff Yost.

ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE TODAY

GREETERS: Todd Garrett, Pam Wall
LEMONADE IN THE SHADE: Bonnie Hutson
USHERS: Whit Smith (Captain), Anne Smith,
John Metcalf, Bob Hurd, Eliabeth Bernat

DEACONS: Paige Owens (Lead Deacon),
Laura Greaver
BEADLE: Harold Davis
LAY READER: Benjamin King
MEDIA MINISTRY: Matt Bucknam

ELDER ON CALL: (July 27 - August 2) - Ryan Glenn (843) 442-8967

DEACON ON CALL: (July 27 - August 2) - Bonnie Hutson (843) 697-5001

PASTOR ON CALL: (July 27 - August 2) - 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



Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music
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
Timmi Winston, Interim Choral Director

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 July 27 - August 2

Monday, July 27

Vacation Bible School, 9 - 12 p.m.

Monday Prayer Group, 12 - 1 p.m.

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

Frank L. Martin, Jr. Funeral, 2 p.m.

Session Meeting, 7 - 8 p.m.

Tuesday, July 28

Vacation Bible School, 9 - 12 p.m.

Open Door Initiative, 12 - 3 p.m.

Wednesday, July 29

Vacation Bible School, 9 - 12 p.m.

Open Door Initiative, 12 - 3 p.m.

Thursday, July 30

Vacation Bible School, 9 - 12 p.m.

Open Door Initiative, 12 - 3 p.m.

Friday, July 31

Vacation Bible School, 9 - 12 p.m.

NEW CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY IN THE WORKS!

We are beginning to put together a committee to make this happen beginning this fall. We need two more volunteers to round out our committee to make the job easy. Please let Mary Robinson know if you are willing to help us!

S.T.E.P.S. 2025

Grow in your faith and leadership at S.T.E.P.S. 2025 on Saturday, August 23. This year's theme, "Make Me Know Your Ways, O Lord" (Psalm 25:4a), invites participants into a day of worship, learning, fellowship, and encouragement. Designed for elders, deacons, teachers, ministry leaders, pastors, and anyone seeking to deepen their faith, S.T.E.P.S. is a wonderful opportunity to be equipped for Christian service.

Register here!



USHER MINISTRY

A wonderful way to meet other members, to serve in a very important part of the worship services, and work in a team of other church members is to serve as an usher. The usher teams serve on an 8 week rotation. There are 16 teams for services.

This means that ushers usually only serve two times in the 16 week rotation segment. Couples are encouraged to serve together if desired.

Please consider this opportunity to serve in a very important part of the church's ministry. Notify Karen Kuhn at the church office or Keith Blake if you're interested in serving.

We are still accepting donations for non-perishable items for those in need.



Boxes have been placed in Molly Wier Hall for donations of non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies, and anything else that might be considered a blessing to someone in need.

1731 LEGACY SOCIETY

The purpose of the 1731 Legacy Society is to build an endowment for the church which can deal with the ongoing needs of maintaining an almost 300-year-old facility. That frees up current donations (annual stewardship) to more effectively address the day-to-day church operations. You can contact Bill Prewitt directly (843) 620-0158 or wmcprewitt@gmail.com.



Costa Rica Mission Team



Youth Group Linktree



Please keep the following youth and adults in your prayers this week as they serve in Costa Rica (July 25-31): Julia Bair, Keller Barton, Oliver Bernard, Chappell Boozer, Madison Crabtree, Hank Garrett, Charlie Gresham, Wesley Hider, Garland Lynn, Miden Meares, Maddrey Moore, Sam Rowe, MC Siegling, Campbell Smith, Caroline Spath, Wit Thaxton, Maggie Wall, Baker Wallace, Greer Woodward, and Elizabeth Yount (youth); Denise Boozer, Clarissa McKenzie, Greg McKenzie, James Rogers, and Janet White (chaperones). In coordination with Praying Pelican Missions, the team is partnering with Iglesia Centro de Restauración Fuente de Vida in Sarapiquí, Costa Rica and participating in church construction, prayer visits, school ministry, and food distribution. group was commissioned along with our Montreat High School Conference participants during worship on June 7.



VBS Youth Volunteers Tuesday & FREE Pizza Lunch (12-1 p.m.)

All middle school and high school youth are encouraged to volunteer at this year's Vacation Bible School from July 27-31 (8:30 a.m. -12 p.m.). Sign-up to help with VBS by using the Youth Volunteer slot at the bottom of the VBS Volunteer SignUpGenius. Volunteers interested in working in the science area should contact Betsy Martin. Email Ansley Feussner, if you have any questions. In addition, all youth and youth advisors are invited to join us for a free pizza lunch to celebrate VBS, and our weekly devotional, in the Kirk House at noon at the conclusion of VBS on Tuesday, July 28.

Hands of Christ Back-to-School Program on August 1 (9:30 a.m. -1 p.m.)



As an act of service, the Youth Group is volunteering with Hands of Christ Presbyterian Ministries at Second Presbyterian Church (342 Meeting St). Please meet at Second Presbyterian Church by 9:30 a.m. to help prepare and learn our assignments. Plan for a special morning of helping kids K4-8th grade select two complete sets of back-to-school clothing (shirt, bottoms, socks and underwear) plus a bag of grade-specific school supplies! This is such a rewarding experience for those involved, when witnessing the kids and parents be so excited and grateful. Plan on lunch after we tidy-up (noon) and to head home around 1p.m. Parents are encouraged to stay to volunteer as well. This is a church wide initiative! Contact Betsy Martin if you want to help with setup on the Friday beforehand from 2-4 p.m.

Register for Carowinds here!

Register Today for Carowinds!!



On Tuesday, August 4 we're meeting at the Kirk House (62 King Street) at 8:30 a.m., traveling to Carowinds amusement park in Charlotte, NC, for a fun-filled day experiencing the rides and water park. We will return to the Kirk House at 11 p.m. Participants will need to pack a bag lunch to enjoy on the ride to Carowinds, bring money for dinner at Chick-fil-a on the way home. Please submit a Youth Permission and Release Statement (if one isn't already on file at the church for 2025-2026). Those that want to experience the waterpark should pack a bag that includes a swimsuit, sunscreen, towel, and money to share a locker (\$5). Register through Realm.



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



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SCAN TO VOLUNTEER!



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Robert Grant, 1833; alt.

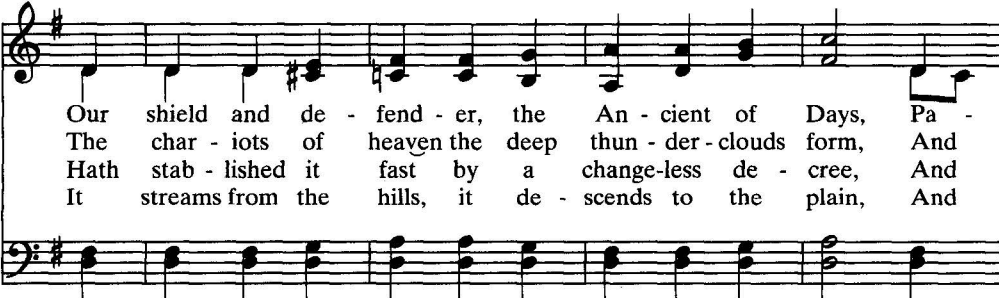
Attr. Johann Michael Haydn (1737–1806); alt.



1. O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
 2. O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 4. Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?



O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love;
 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.
 Al - might - y, Thy power hath found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days, Pa -
 The char - iots of heaven the deep thun - der - clouds form, And
 Hath stab - lished it fast by a change-less de - cree, And
 It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain, And



vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.
 round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

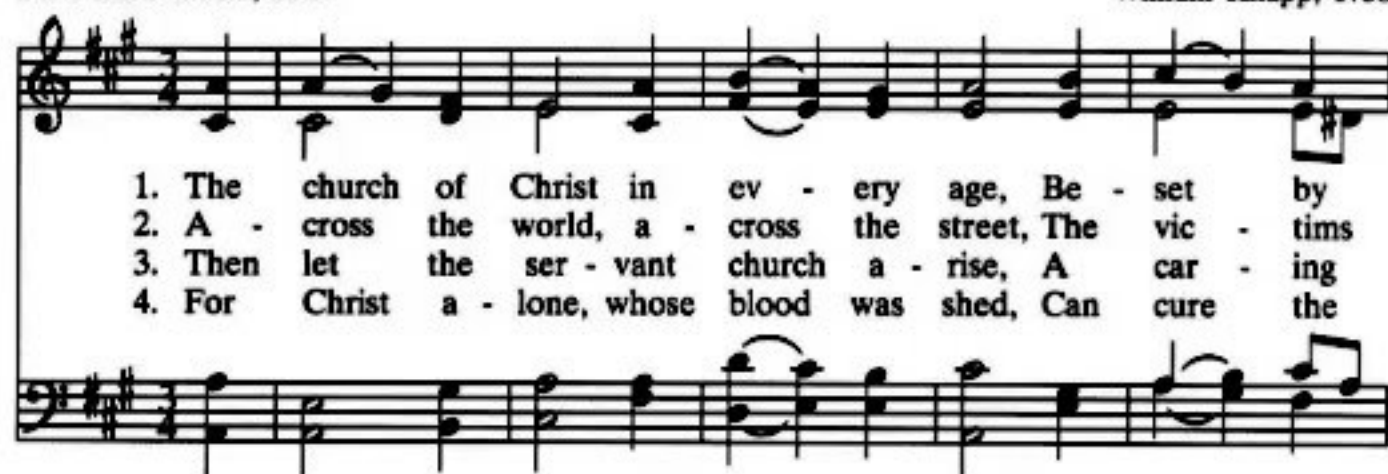
5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
 In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
 Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
 Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

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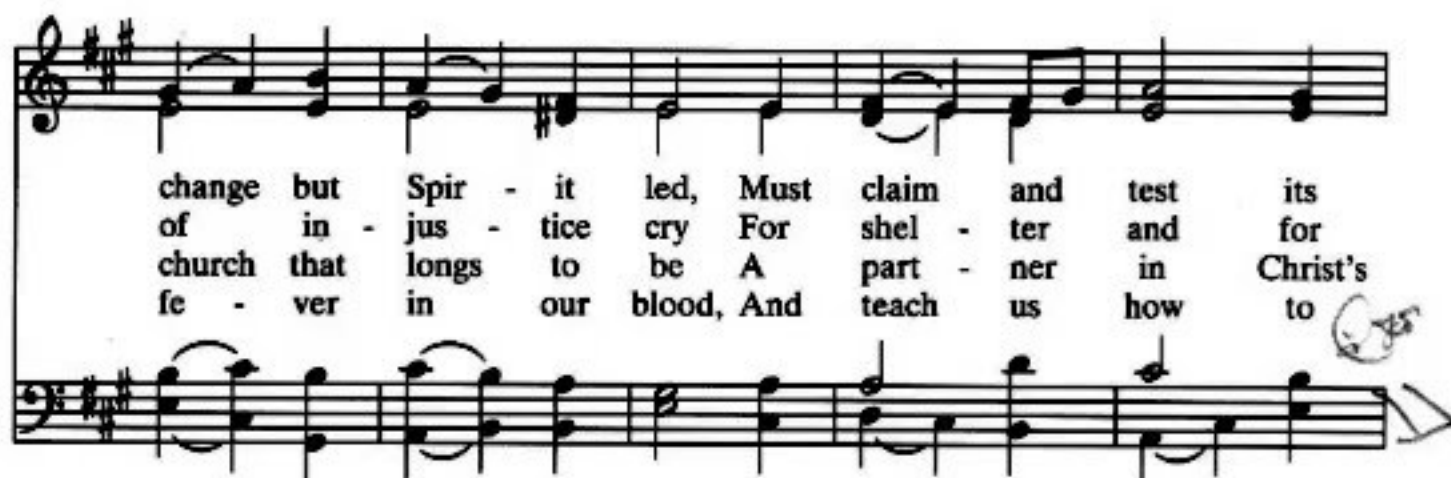
WAREHAM LM

Fred Pratt Green, 1969

William Knapp, 1738



1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, Be - set by
 2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, The vic - tims
 3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, A car - ing
 4. For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, Can cure the



change but Spir - it led, Must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry For shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be A part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, And teach us how to



her - i - tage And keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, And nev - er live un - til they die.
 sac - ri - fice, And clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread And feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.

5. We have no mission but to serve
 In full obedience to our Lord:

To care for all, without reserve,
 And spread Christ's liberating word.

Another harmonization of this tune, 265

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Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL'S 148TH 6.6.6.6.8.8

Charles Wesley, 1746

John Darwall, 1770

Desc. Sidney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

Descant

3. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore!
 2. God's king-dom can - not fail, Christ rules o'er earth and heaven;
 3. Re - joice in glo-rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

To glo - ri - fy the saints For their e - ter - nal home:

Re - joice, give thanks, and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more:
 The keys of death and hell Are to our Je - sus given:
 To glo - ri - fy the saints For their e - ter - nal home:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!