

# Scots Kirk Presbyterian

*A congregation of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church*



**Morning Worship**

**11:00 A.M. – July 21, 2024**

**1435 Old Trolley Road, Summerville, SC 29485**

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**Mission Statement:** By God's grace alone, we glorify Him by loving Him and loving others in thought, word, and deed.

**Prelude**

Pianist Brenda Busch

**Welcome and Announcements**

Elder Joel Reed

**Preparation for Worship**

Deuteronomy 7:7-9

It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.

**Call to Worship**

Romans 12:1-2

**\*Hymn of the Love of God**

Trinity Hymnal #81

“O Love of God, How Strong and True”

**\*Prayer of Invocation (Concluding with the Lord's Prayer)**

All: 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.

## Confession of Sin

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. In His name we pray, Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 2:13-14, Acts 4:12

Leader: And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

Leader: And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

**\*Confession of Faith**     The Westminster Confession of Faith, 5.4-5.5 “Of Providence”

All: The almighty power, unsearchable wisdom, and infinite goodness of God, so far manifest themselves in His providence, that it extendeth itself even to the first fall, and all other sins of angels and men, and that not by a bare permission, but such as hath joined with it a most wise and powerful bounding, and otherwise ordering and governing of them, in a manifold dispensation, to His own holy ends; yet so, as the sinfulness thereof proceedeth only from the creature, and not from God; who being most holy and righteous, neither is nor can be the author or approver of sin.

All: The most wise, righteous, and gracious God, doth oftentimes leave for a season His own children to manifold temptations and the corruption of their own hearts, to chastise them for their former sins, or to discover unto them the hidden strength of corruption and deceitfulness of their hearts, that they may be humbled; and to raise them to a more close and constant dependence for their support upon himself, and to make them more watchful against all future occasions of sin, and for sundry other just and holy ends.

**Children's Sermon**

Elder Joel Reed

**Scripture Reading**

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

**Prayers for the Church and the World**

**\*Hymn of God's Sovereignty**

Trinity Hymnal #75

“O Father, You Are Sovereign”

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Deacon David Johnston

**Collection of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology**

Trinity Hymnal #731

*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.*

**The Reading of the Word**

Genesis 46

**Prayer of Illumination**

Pastor Jim Mitchell

**The Preaching of the Word**

“God's Blessing in a Foreign Land”

**\*Hymn of God's Faithfulness**

Trinity Hymnal #95

“Though Troubles Assail Us”

## **\*Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13:14

Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

## **\*Threefold Amen**

Trinity Hymnal #740

## **Postlude**

\*Please stand if able

# Announcements

## This Week at a Glance

- The youth group will meet tonight at 5 p.m.
- The Discipleship Ministry Team will meet on Monday at 7 p.m.
- Bereans will meet this Wednesday at the church at 7 p.m.

## Looking Ahead

- Sunday School for all ages at the church each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
- Women's ministries are hosting a retreat October 5 at Coosaw Creek Country Club. For more details, please contact Sherri Cleveringa at 651-470-4163.

## Welcome to Scots Kirk Presbyterian

We are glad you are here with us this morning and welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, who said, "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Mt 11:28-29). We value the presence of your children with us as well. A nursery is provided for infants and toddlers during the Worship service. Older children are encouraged to stay and participate in the Worship service. If you choose to use our nursery, we have trained and background-checked volunteers who will gladly assist with their care.

## Vital Statistics for 7/14 (Week 29)

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>2024 Annual Budget</u>	<u>Received to Date</u>
52	\$263,610	\$135,941.00

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**Bereans Study:** This week the Bereans Bible Study will continue with the series focusing on the Apostle Paul's letter to the Philippians. Using videos from Dr. Steven Lawson, this teaching series will use Paul's letter to help us truly experience the joy of knowing Christ, even on the darkest days. Bereans meets every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the church, and both men and women are encouraged to attend.

**Nursery Help Signup:** Scots Kirk seeks volunteers willing to serve (in pairs) on a rotation. Please note, based on our child safety policy, volunteers are limited to background-checked members of Scots Kirk, and related members may serve together in the nursery.

**Women's Bible Study:** Women's Bible Study is on break for the summer and will reconvene in the fall.

**Ligonier Connect:** The Elders and Deacons are pleased to announce that Scots Kirk recently partnered with Ligonier Ministries to better equip us for ministry and discipleship through Ligonier Connect. Please let Jim Mitchell know if you have not received your invitation from Ligonier.

**Welcome Pastoral Intern Don Walker:** Lord willing, Don will begin seminary course work this fall while practicing various aspects of pastoral ministry here at Scots Kirk. Please pray for Don and his family (wife Jen and their son Samuel) as he seeks to pursue the Lord's call to ministry.

**Mildred Terrill Contact Info:** If you would like to contact Mildred Terrill her new address is: 534 Opal Dr. South Portland, ME 04106-6028