

Scots Kirk Presbyterian

A congregation of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church



Morning Worship

11:00 A.M. – April 6, 2025

1435 Old Trolley Road, Summerville, SC 29485

www.scotskirkarp.org

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
Violinist Crystal Mitchell

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Herb Uthlaut

Preparation for Worship

Ephesians 2:11-16

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

Call to Worship

Psalm 34:1-3

***Hymn of Praise to God**

Trinity Hymnal #660

“O God Beyond All Praising”

***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.

*Please stand if able

Confession of Sin

Ephesians 2:1-3

Leader: And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

All: Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 2:4-10

Leader: But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

***Confession of Faith**

The Westminster Confession of Faith 3.5

All: Those of mankind that are predestinated unto life, God, before the foundation of the world was laid, according to His eternal and immutable purpose, and the secret counsel and good pleasure of His will, hath chosen in Christ, unto everlasting glory, out of His free grace and love alone, without any foresight of faith or good works, or perseverance in either of them, or any other thing in the creature, as conditions, or causes moving Him thereunto; and all to the praise of His glorious grace.

*Please stand if able

Children's Sermon

Elder Joel Reed

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-17

Prayers for the Church and the World

***Hymn of Our Salvation**

Trinity Hymnal #455

“And Can it be That I Should Gain”

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Deacon Ward Morgan

Collection of Tithes and Offerings

*Please stand if able

***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

Romans 11:11-36

Prayer of Illumination

Pastor Jim Mitchell

The Preaching of the Word

“God’s Salvation of His Whole Olive Tree”

***Hymn of Communion**

Blue Notebook p 1

“Behold the Lamb”

Vv 1-2 before communion

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Vv 3-4 after communion

***Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26

Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

***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 Ladies Bible Study will meet tomorrow morning at 10 a.m. at the church. We will continue our study on the Passion week of Christ. Nursery will be provided.
- The Diaconate will meet at the church tomorrow 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.
- The Session will meet at the church on Thursday, April 17, at 6:30 p.m.

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 3/30 (Week 13)

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>2025 Annual Budget</u>	<u>Received to Date</u>
73	\$265,203.00	\$65,612.46

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Church WiFi Information

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Ministry Teams: Are you part of a ministry team at Scots Kirk? If not, please consider serving the Lord by gathering with others to think, plan and pray for specific ministries where your gifts will be used for God's glory. The responsibilities of each ministry team are outlined on our website: <https://scotskirkarp.org/ministry-teams/> Please contact the pastor or any elder for more information about how to join.

Bereans Study: This week the Bereans Bible Study will continue with the series “*Lessons from the Upper Room*”. Using videos from Dr. Sinclair Ferguson, this teaching series will use chapters 13 through 17 from the Gospel of John as we look to gain greater knowledge of Jesus Christ. Bereans meets every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the church, and both men and women are encouraged to attend.

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.

Spring Theological Conference: We are pleased to announce that Dr. Keith Evans will lead a two-day conference at Scots Kirk Presbyterian on May 16 – 17 (Fri-Sat) on the topic of Spiritual Gifts. Entitled “The Spirit’s Gifts in the Age of the Word: Strength for the Church Militant,”. Dr. Evans will give a distinctly Reformed perspective on the use of all the spiritual gifts given to the body of Christ in the antagonistic climate of spiritual warfare. Friday’s teaching will consist of two lectures from 6:30 – 9:00 PM and Saturday three sessions from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, with food and childcare provided. Dr. Evans is Associate Professor of Christian Counseling at Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte, North Carolina and formerly professor of biblical counseling, director of the Biblical Counseling Institute, and academic dean at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Dr. Evans earned his Ph.D. in biblical counseling at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.