

# Scots Kirk Presbyterian

*A congregation of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church*



**Morning Worship**

**11:00 A.M. – May 25, 2025**

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

**[www.scotskirkarp.org](http://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**

Exodus 6:7

I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

## **Call to Worship**

Psalm 28:6-9

## **\*Hymn of Praise to God**

Trinity Hymnal #53

“Praise to the Lord Almighty”

## **\*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

Pray in Unison

All: O LORD, in whose hands are life and death, by whose power I am sustained, and by whose mercy I am spared, look down upon me with pity. Forgive me, that I have this day neglected the duty which Thou hast assigned to it, and suffered the hours, of which I must give account, to pass away without any endeavor to accomplish thy will, or to promote my own salvation. Make me to remember, O God, that every day is thy gift, and ought to be used according to thy command. Grant me, therefore, so to repent of my negligence, that I may obtain mercy from Thee, and pass the time which thou shalt yet allow me, in diligent performance of thy commands, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

Exodus 34:6-9 (When Moses Stood on Mount Sinai for the Second Time)

Leader: The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.” And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped. And he said, “If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, please let the Lord go in the midst of us, for it is a stiff-necked people, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance.”

## \*Confession of Faith

The Westminster Confession of Faith 12.1

All: All those that are justified, God vouchsafeth, in and for his only Son Jesus Christ, to make partakers of the grace of adoption, by which they are taken into the number, and enjoy the liberties and privileges of the children of God, have his name put upon them, receive the Spirit of adoption, have access to the throne of grace with boldness, are enabled to cry, Abba, Father, are pitied, protected, provided for, and chastened by him, as by a father: yet never cast off, but sealed to the day of redemption; and inherit the promises, as heirs of everlasting salvation.

\*Please stand if able

**Children's Sermon**

Elder Joel Reed

**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 122

**Prayers for the Church and the World**

**\*Hymn of the Church**

Trinity Hymnal #347

“The Church's One Foundation”

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Deacon Raymond Paskauskas

**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**

Ruth 1:15-18

## **Prayer of Illumination**

Dr. Bob Cara

## **The Preaching of the Word**

“Your People, My People; and Your God, My God”

## **\*Hymn of Joy**

ARP Psalter #122

“I Was Filled with Joy and Gladness”

## **\*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 Ladies Bible Study is canceled this week (5/26). We will resume on June 2 for our last meeting before we take a break for the summer.
- 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.

## 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 5/18 (Week 20)

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>2025 Annual Budget</u>	<u>Received to Date</u>
71	\$265,203.00	\$101,193.94

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### **Church WiFi Information**

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**Guest Minister** – Dr. Bob Cara is the Provost and Chief Academic Officer for the Reformed Theological Seminary (RTS) in Charlotte, NC, and has been a professor at RTS since 1993. In addition to numerous book reviews, articles, and commentaries he has written, Dr. Cara is currently working on a commentary on Acts in the new Reformed Exegetical and Theological Commentary series by Crossway. Dr. Cara is an ordained minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. He has been very involved at both the presbytery and synod levels and regularly preaches in the Charlotte area.

**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 “Who is the Holy Spirit” using videos from Dr. Sinclair Ferguson. 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.

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