

Affirmation of Faith - (from the Scots Confession)

As we believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, so we firmly believe that from the beginning there has been, now is, and to the end of the world shall be, a kirk, that is to say, one company and multitude of those chosen by God, who rightly worship and embrace God by true faith in Jesus Christ, who is the only Head of the kirk, even as it is the body and spouse of Christ Jesus. This kirk is catholic, that is, universal, because it contains the elect of all ages, of all realms, nations, and tongues, who have communion and society with God the Father, and with the Son, Christ Jesus, through the sanctification of the Holy Spirit. It is therefore called the communion of saints, who, as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem, have the fruit of inestimable benefits, one God, one Lord Jesus, one faith, and one baptism.

Pastoral Prayer and 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

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SCOTTISH PSALTER, 1615

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Hymn..... Amazing Grace

First verse soloist, Jordan Plair

Musical score for the hymn "Amazing Grace" (First verse soloist, Jordan Plair). The score is written for a soloist and includes lyrics: "A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and his The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and now am found, was blind, but now I see. grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved! por - tion be as long as life en - dures."

The Kirkin’ O’ the Tartans Litany (see insert)

*Charge and Benediction

Recessional..... Scotland the Brave

Postlude..... YE BANKS AND BRAES
SCOTTISH MELODY

*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers

Thank you to our guest musician
Peter Armstrong

Also we would like to say thank you to all those who helped to make the Kirkin’O’ the Tartan service possible.

Please enjoy the Plaza Social
after the service today hosted by TNT Circle.



A Service for the Worship of God
November 16, 2025
11:00 AM
Kirkin’ O’ the Tartan



To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and need comfort,
To all who are lonely and need friendship,
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide its doors
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.

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Office, Education & Outreach Building: 1201 North Street
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Pre-Service Music	
Striking of the Hour	
+*Presentation of the Bible	Beadle Owen Hand
Processional.....	<i>Highland Cathedral</i>
Welcome and Introduction to Kirkin’	Elder Geneva Baxley
Call to Worship (<i>from The Book of Common Order of the Church of Scotland</i>)	

Honor and majesty are before the Lord—
Strength and beauty are present here in God’s Sanctuary.
Give to the Lord, you God’s people, people from all places—
Give to the Lord all glory,
And all of our strength and might!
Now worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
Fear before the Lord, all the earth and all peoples of the earth.
Seek the Lord while God may be found, call while God is near;
Let the wicked forsake their ways
And the unrighteous their thoughts,
And let us turn to the Lord our God, for God will have mercy on us;
For our God will abundantly pardon!
Let us worship the Lord our God!

+* Hymn 645 *Sing Praise to God Above*



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all
2 What God’s al-might - y power has made God’s gra - cious mer -
3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief
4 Thus all my toil-some way a - long I sing a - loud



cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of love,
cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,
thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song



the God of our sal - va - tion. With
God’s watch - ful eye ne’er sleep - eth. With -
our peace and joy and bless - ing, as
my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be



heal - ing balm my soul is filled, and ev - ery faith - less
in the king - dom of God’s might, lo! all is just and
with a moth - er’s ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the
joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,



mur - mur stilled:
all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
cho - sen band:
take your part:

The regal divine imagery here will not be new to most singers, but some may not expect the third stanza’s image of God as mother. Yet it is part of God’s self-description in Isaiah 66:13. This Bohemian Brethren tune resembles both Genevan psalm tunes and French folk songs.

TEXT: Johann Jacob Schütz, 1675; trans. Frances Elizabeth Cox, 1864, alt. MIT FREUDEN ZART
MUSIC: Bohemian Brethren’s *Kirchengesang*, 1566; harm. Maurice F. Bell, 1906, alt. 8.7.8.7.8.8.7

Prayer of Confession (*adapted from Scottish Reformer John Knox’s Liturgy of 1560*)

Almighty God, we have sinned against You, and we have offended You. And yet, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge You to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father to all who turn to You. And so we humbly ask You to show mercy to us. Forgive the sins of our youth and the sins of our old age. By Your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts so that not only the actions of our lives, but also the words of our mouths and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.
(Let us continue in prayer silently)

Congregational Response

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace. 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,

Anthem *Shine Like the Sun*
JORDAN PLAIR, *Music Director* ARR. KAREN E. BLACK
LILY COOPER, *Organist*

Children’s Sermon..... Geneva Baxley
As we sing *Jesus Loves Me*, all children are welcome to come down front

Passing of the Peace

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Prophecy Lesson.....Isaiah 12

* Hymn 373 *O Day of Peace*



1 O day of peace that dim - ly shines through all our
2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the



hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to jus - tice, truth, and
fierce de - vour the small; as beasts and cat - tle calm - ly



love, de - liv - ered from our self - ish schemes. May swords of hate
graze, a lit - tle child shall lead them all. Then en - e - mies



fall from our hands, our hearts from en - vy find re - lease, till by God’s
shall learn to love, all crea - tures find their true ac - cord; the hope of



grace our war - ring world shall see Christ’s prom - ised reign of peace.
peace shall be ful - filled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

This text on peace was created to offer non-nationalistic words for a popular British tune. The first stanza depicts *pax*, a mode of peace focused on ending conflict, and the second (based on Isaiah 11:6–9) describes *shalom*, the condition of living in harmony and mutual good will.

TEXT: Carl P. Daw Jr., 1982 JERUSALEM
MUSIC: C. Hubert H. Parry, 1916; harm. Charles H. Webb, 1987 LMD
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Prophecy LessonIsaiah 65

Sermon **Look Ahead With Joy**
Dr. Patrick Perryman

What is The Kirkin' O' the Tartans?

- ❖ ***Kirkin'***, from the Scottish Gaelic word *kirk* which means church, in this usage means “blessing.”
- ❖ ***Tartans*** are the traditional plaid emblems of Scottish clans represented in unevenly spaced colored lines and rectangles on woven wool cloth.
- ❖ ***Piper*** was historically a testament of the power and wealth of the Chief of a Scottish Clan, using music to “stir their brave hearts.”
- ❖ ***Beadle*** is a lay official who attends the minister as an assistant in the Church of Scotland. The Bible was the most religious item, as well as the most valuable possession the church possessed.

The popular legend of the history goes back to 1745, when Prince Charles Edward Stewart, “Bonnie Prince Charlie” returned from exile in France and landed at Lochnanaugh in Scotland where he began to enlist the Highland Clans for an unsuccessful attempt to dethrone George II of England and to restore the Scottish throne to the Royal House of Stewart. Following this defeat, the Act of Proscription – to subdue the vanquished Highlanders – banned the wearing of any sign of the Tartan, forbade any speaking in Gaelic, outlawed Scottish music, dancing, or the playing of the pipes. The Scottish Highlanders subsequently hid pieces of tartan under their clothing and brought them to church for a secret blessing or *kirkin'* at a particular point in the service by the minister. The Hanoverian English government strictly enforced this ban for many years and during the Sunday service Highlanders would touch the hidden cloth when the minister gave the benediction, thus rededicating themselves to God and their Scottish heritage.

The more recent and better documented version of the story is The Kirkin' O' the Tartans service created or “revived” during World War II by Reverend Peter Marshall, who was originally from southwest Scotland, served as pastor of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C., and Chaplain of the U.S. Senate. To encourage Scottish-Americans to sign up to fight on behalf of Great Britain, Peter Marshall recreated the Kirkin' O' the Tartans ceremony to try to instill pride among Scottish-Americans in their Scottish homeland.

The ceremony was at that time held in Presbyterian churches of Scottish heritage across the US and has spread to some Episcopalian, Methodist, Roman Catholic, Orthodox, and other denominations across the world. Now, in present day celebration, the Highlander patriotism, faithfulness, and strong independence are remembered by the displaying of tartans and public parade of the clans to the sound of the bagpipe.

THE KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS

We thank you, God, for your Word which has ordained a rich heritage of faith and sacrifice from our ancestors: from Adam to Noah, from Noah to Abraham, from Abraham to David, so onward to the incarnation of Jesus Christ, to the establishment of his church: our brothers and sisters in Christ everywhere. Never let us forget that a heritage of faith is a joy to be shared.

Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

Thank you, O God, for the blessing of family; the warmth, comfort, and security of family love. Never let us forget that our family love is a gift to be shared, that the stranger may be as welcome as the sister or brother.

Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

We praise you, O God, for those who have lived and died in Christ that we might have the freedom to dwell in a community of faith. Never let us forget that the days of sacrifice are not yet over, that we too, have lives to live in faith.

Bless us that we may be a blessing, O Lord.

On behalf of all clans, families, and nations, we stand before God in gratitude for our heritage, and we pray God's blessing on the beloved children in all lands.

We proclaim that we are all united in the covenant of Jesus Christ, for there is but one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all.

May these blessed tartans now go out into the world, proclaiming the grace and forgiveness of the Kingdom and thereby give honor and glory to Christ, our Lord,

Unto whom with You, O God, and the Holy Spirit, be all power and majesty both now and forevermore, Amen.

The tartan banners and flags presented in our service today have been made available by the following members

<u>Member</u>	<u>Clan</u>	<u>Carrying the Tartan</u>
Mary Ragsdale	Ross	Holland Harris
Pat Blumer	McCauley	Pat Blumer
Patty Patek	Barbour	Patty Patek
Heather McCormick	MacMillan	Heather McCormick
Pete Buchanan	Buchanan	Pete Buchanan
Betty Waskiewicz	Logan	Logan Penn
Owen Hand	Semple	Patsy Hand
Shep Caldwell	Caldwell	Shep Caldwell
Owen Hand	Glasglow	Kate Baxley
Daryl Ferguson	Ferguson	Howard Heckrotte
Marjorie Lamb	Lamont	Wallace Simmons
Vicki Mix	MacLaine Lochbuie	Austin Mix
Steve Meyer	Alma College	Steve Meyer
Wilson McElveen	Colquhoun	Sharon McElveen
Roxanne Cheney	USA	Susan Meyer
Patrick Perryman	Clergy	Marion Simmons
Jordan Plair	MacLeod	On the Organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who join us for worship today. If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at www.firstpresbeaufort.org for sermons, news, and current events.

TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN by in honor and loving memory of Bubba & Laura Von Harten, by Pat and Tracy Von Harten.

God's Goodness for the Chosen

Mondays • 6:00–7:30 PM • Education Building

Begins November 17

Experience the life and ministry of Jesus in a fresh way through *God's Goodness for the Chosen*, a nine-week study that parallels **Season 4** of *The Chosen*. Each session offers engaging commentary and meaningful discussion questions designed to deepen your understanding of Scripture and strengthen your faith. Study materials will be provided. The group will meet weekly through **February 2**. For more information, please contact **Rob Cooper**, **Bert Owen**, or **Geneva Baxley**

POINSETTIAS WILL BE USED TO DECORATE THE SANCTUARY FOR WORSHIP.

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please return this completed form to the church office or place in the offering plate with \$15.00 for each one ordered. Poinsettias must be paid for in advance and **may be picked up after the worship service on Sunday, Dec. 21st or after the Christmas Eve services.**

All orders must be received no later than Sunday, Dec. 7th

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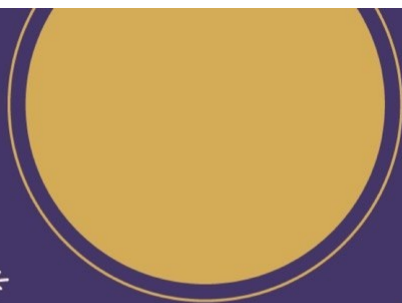
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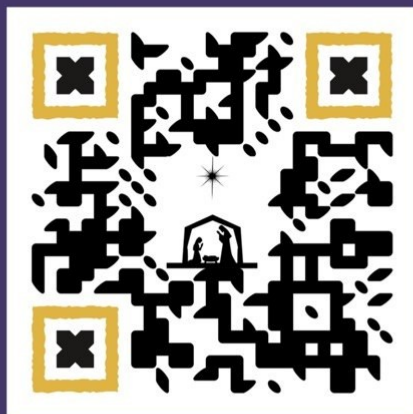


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Annual Nativity Celebration December 5-7

Docents & Greeters Needed



Scan to Volunteer



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14th Annual Nativity Celebration

December 5-6 10:00am-4:00pm

December 7 12:00-3:00pm

All are welcome for this FREE community event celebrating the Christmas story with more than 150 nativities from around the world.

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CHRISTMAS ON THE RIVER

Saturday, December 13th

11am-1pm

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AWAKENING THE SPIRIT IN US TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE.

"Maybe the journey isn't about becoming anything. Maybe it's about unbecoming everything that isn't really you, so that you can be who you were meant to be in the first place." - Paulo Coelho