

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures
high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise
God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it
one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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

*Charge and Benediction

Recessional.....Scotland the Brave

Postlude

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

Member	Clan	Carrying the Tartan
Mary Ragsdale	Ross	John Myrick
Pat Blumer	McCauley	Pat Blumer
Patty Patek	Barbour	Steve Mix
Betty Waskiewicz	Logan	Logan Penn
Pete Buchanan	Buchanan	Pete Buchanan
Heather McCormick	MacMilan	Heather McCormick
Rick Campbell	Black Watch Campbell	Rick Campbell
Owen Hand	Glasglow	AK Harper
Owen Hand	Semple	Gary Pennington
Marjorie Lamb	Lamont	Charlotte Law
Shep Caldwell	Caldwell	Shannan Caldwell
Vicki Mix	MacLaine Lochbuie	Austin Mix
Daryl Ferguson	Ferguson	Becky Campbell
Wilson McElveen	Colquhoun	Wilson McElveen
Roxanne Cheney	USA	Peyton Pierro
Patrick Perryman	Clergy	Sallie Sheppard
Mary Ragsdale	Russell	Tartan on the Pulpit



A Service for the Worship of God
November 19, 2023
11:00 AM



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

OUR SESSION

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
AnnMarie Bowden	Geneva Baxley	Hank Amundson
AK Harper	Emily Harris	Kevin Dukes
Donna Sheetz	Kathy Hodges	Owen Hand
Gene Rugala	Charles Tumlin	Sallie Sheppard
	Nan Krueger, Clerk	

OUR DIACONATE

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Penny Abbott	Kati Barnes	Joe Antinori
Shep Caldwell	Josh Dunn	Hayley Dawson
Ben Coppage	Sharon McElveen	Gary Pennington
John Myrick	Sally Post	Tony Pierro

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 Grace Circle.

Pre-Service Music

Striking of the Hour

+*Presentation of the Bible Beadle Shep Caldwell

Processional..... *Highland Cathedral*

Welcome and Introduction to Kirkin’Elder Geneva Baxley

Call to Worship (*from The Book of Common Order of the Church of Scotland*)

*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 367..... Come, Ye Thankful People Come

1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.

2 All the world is God’s own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield,









All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.

God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.

Come to God’s own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.

Prayer of Confession

God of the harvest, God of the gleaners, we are quick to thank you for the abundance of our lives. We proclaim ourselves blessed when we have enough—enough food on the table, enough money to spend, enough people to share our days with, enough space to live comfortably. We are deeply grateful, but we think of these blessings as our own. We do not consider that we might share these blessings with others. Forgive us for our stinginess. Forgive us for thinking of ourselves as better than those who have less. Teach us that the truest thanks we can give you is to share our abundance with other beloved children of God. (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..... *A Scottish Blessing*
VIC VARNER, *Music Director* DAVID BLACKWELL
LILY COOPER, *Organist*

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

Epistle Lesson2 Corinthians 9:6-15

* Hymn 37 Let All Things Now Living

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks-giv - ing

2 By law God en - forc - es, the stars in their cours - es,







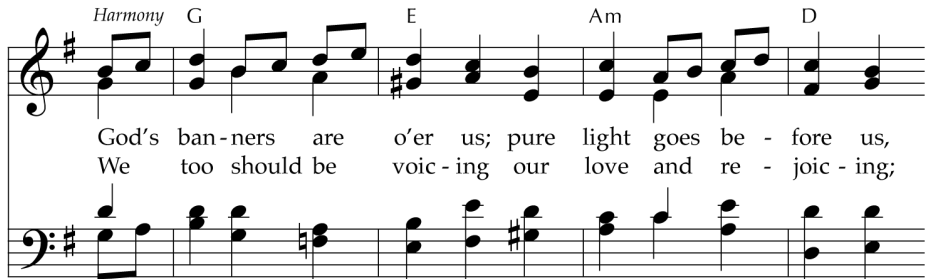


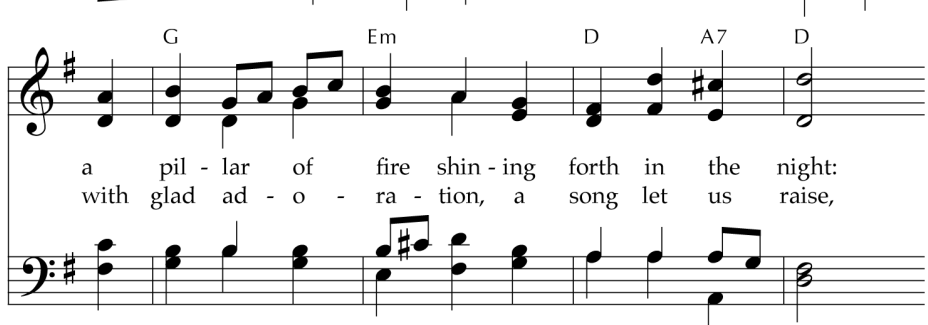
to God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise;
the sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains,

by guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
the depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

God’s ban - ners are o’er us; pure light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing;





a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night:
with glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise,

Torah Lesson Deuteronomy 8:7-18

Sermon **Watch Yourself—Lest You Forget**
Dr. Patrick Perryman

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

Offering
Offertory *Flowers of Edinburgh*
Chris Appl-Walsh, Tin Whistle TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH
Kevin Walsh, Bass

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.

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.



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:

AWAKENING THE SPIRIT IN US TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE.

"I am learning every day to allow the space between where I am
and where I want to be to inspire me and not terrify me"

- Tracee Ellis Ross

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 the FPC Youth in appreciation for the continued support of our program and the new prayer room.



PRAYER ROOM PROJECT

The youth are preparing a space for the Middle and Highschool kids of Beaufort to engage with God in new and exciting ways. We are looking for donations of the following:

- A table that can seat 4 with 4 matching chairs.
- Financial donation to put the finishing touches on the room

If you are interested in donating items please text Ellie at 310-383-9245.



DR. PERRYMAN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY FOR ADVENT **Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. beginning November 30.**

Together, we will follow Dr. Amy-Jill Levine on an Advent journey. In *Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent*, author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the story of the birth of Jesus. Together we will trace the Christmas narrative through the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, the journey to Bethlehem, and the visit from the Magi. These stories open conversations around connections of the Gospel stories to the Old Testament, the role of women in first-century Jewish culture, the importance of Mary's visitation and the revolutionary implications of Mary's Magnificat, the census and the stable, and the star of Bethlehem and the flight to Egypt.

We will meet on Thursdays from 10:30–11:45 a.m. beginning on November 30 in the Education Building upstairs Room 205. You are welcome to attend any or all of the classes! Bring your Bible and please let me know if you are planning to come. pperryman@firstpresbeaufort.org

November 30 - Session 1—The Meaning of Memory
December 7 - Session 2—The Promise of Potential
December 14 - Session 3—The Journey to Joy
December 21 - Session 4—The Gifts of the Gentiles



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NOVEMBER LOOSE CHANGE Collection

All proceeds will support



THE NATIVITY CELEBRATION NEEDS YOUR HELP:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for volunteers to help with the Nativity Celebration. We need 6 volunteers during each 3-hour block. If this is something you would be interested in helping with, you can sign up using the QR code below.



SHARE YOUR NATIVITY SCENE: We are preparing for the 12th Annual Nativity Celebration. If you have a nativity you would like to loan for this beautiful community event, please contact Donna Sheetz at 609-408-8467.



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12th Annual Nativity Celebration
December 1-2 10am-4pm
December 3 12-3pm

All are welcome for this free community event celebrating the Christmas story with more than 125 nativities from around the world.

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