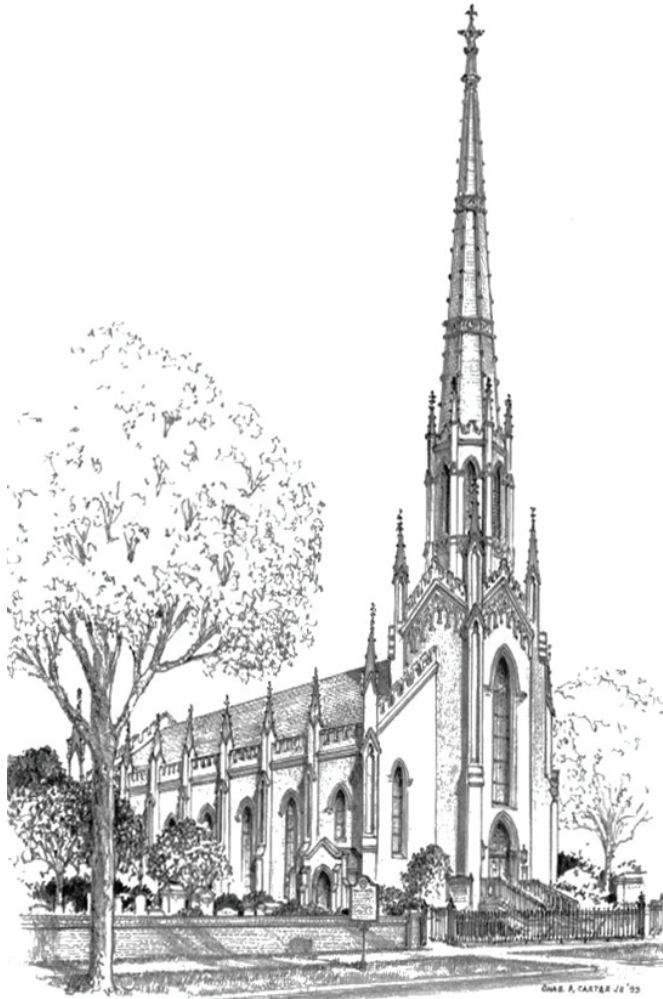


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First Presbyterian Church



Lord's Day, June 14, 2026

8:30 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

1324 Marion Street, Columbia, SC

DIVINE WORSHIP

8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!"

ROMANS 8:15, NASB95

(+ Congregation, please stand if able.)

PRELUDE *Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right*

Johann Walther

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Sean Henderson (8:30 A.M.)
Rev. David Henderson (11:15 A.M.)

INTROIT *The Lord Is In His Holy Temple*

George F. Root

The Lord is in His holy temple,
The Lord is in His holy temple,
Let all the earth keep silence,
Let all the earth keep silence before Him.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty,
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Text by Reginald Heber

Ann Forrest Wilson Bowers, soprano
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Dr. Ann B. Wilson, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Neil C. Stewart

+ **HYMN 77** *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

ANDREWS

Please find the music on page 6 of your bulletin.

+ **INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, which 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 FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

+ GLORIA PATRI

LADY STREET

Glory be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Binding all the church as one!
As it was in the beginning
As is now and e'er shall be,
World without end! Amen.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS 11:15 A.M.

NEW MEMBERS BAPTISMS 11:15 A.M.

Paten Abbott and Jacob Stover

HYMN 11:15 A.M. *Saints of Zion*

WYATT

Please find the music on page 7 of your bulletin.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever-Blessed Father, we come before you with the only things that we can properly call our very own—our sins. We lean not on our sorrow for sin—though we do sorrow. We lean not on our love for Christ—though we do love Him who first loved us. We lean not on our faith—it cannot save us. We lean only on our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Our hope lies not on us, but on Him. Apart from Him we have no life, only death; no hope, only despair; and no light, only darkness. Relax our grip on footholds unworthy of faith, and teach us to lean our whole weight on Him, the Rock of our Salvation. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

(Romans 5:8, NASB95)

MORNING PRAYER

+ **HYMN** *Before the Throne of God Above*

Vikki Cook

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RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Song of the Wanderer*

Dan Forrest

The barren land around me lies, my flame is burning low;
Cold and pale the winter skies, and I am far from home.
With my light that burns so dim, am I visible to Him?
Does He hear the fragile song of creatures here below?

He wakes the lark and bids her fly to greet the coming spring,
Wakes our hearts and bids us rise then gives our spirits wing.
He speaks and winter melts away, hears us when we come to pray,
Turns our night-time into day; our Light, our Life, our King.

Glorious joy of summer sun, the gentle healing rain,
Banishing our tears and sighs, with beauty for our pain.
Earth and sky, lay glory by; Christ, the Lord, is drawing nigh!
All creation, bow to Him from whom all blessings flow!

Blows the wind, and soon will come the autumn of the year
With its golden light of love still shining ever clear.
From the rising of the sun, to the place where day is done,
Peace on earth has now begun to cast away our fear.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Johanna Anderson; Thomas Ken

+ **DOXOLOGY**

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SERMON "Eyeing the Father's Love"

Rev. Dr. David Gilbert

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 699** *Like a River Glorious*

WYE VALLEY

Please find the music on page 9 of your bulletin.

+ **BENEDICTION**

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN 730** *Benediction*

EVENING PRAYER

May the grace of Christ our Savior
And the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor,
Rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union
With each other and the Lord,
And possess, in sweet communion,
Joys which earth cannot afford.

POSTLUDE *Con moto maestoso from Sonata III*

Felix Mendelssohn

Mr. Thomas Russell, organist

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD,
O my soul. Ps. 103:22

Unison D A^7 Bm D^7 G D Bm

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav-en, to his feet your
2. Praise him for his grace and fa-vor to our fa - thers
3. Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble
4. Frail as sum - mer's flow'r we flour-ish, blows the wind and
5. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him

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trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
in dis - tress; praise him, still the same for - ev - er,
• frame he knows; in his hands he gent - ly bears us,
it is gone; but while mor - tals rise and per - ish,
face to face; sun and moon, bow down be - fore him,

A Bdim^7 A E^7 A Em^7 $\text{F}\#\text{m}$

who, like me, his praise should sing? Al - le - lu - ia!
slow to chide and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!
• res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!
God en - dures un - chang - ing on. Al - le - lu - ia!
dwell - ers all in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia!

Em^7 D D^7 G D Bm Em^7 A^7 D

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
• Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly as his mer - cy goes.
Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the High E - ter - nal One.
Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Saints of Zion

R. C. Sproul

Wyatt

Dwight Gustafson

From A - bel's fa - vored of - f'ring to Je - sus' ho - ly
By faith our fa - thers la - bored; in faith they lived and
This cov - e - nant of grace di - vine, By Christ's own blood was
By mar - tyrs' death the ho - ly seed Was sown in grief and
The church of God tri - um - phant Shall in that fi - nal

cross, The church of God's own choos - ing has tri - umphed
died. From A - bra - ham to Da - vid, Faith stood when
bought; The prom - i - ses of bless - ing Shall nev - er
pain, That ho - ly seed will flour - ish Till Christ shall
day Have all her sons and daugh - ters Home from the

o ver loss.
it was tried.
come to nought. Then Come, O saints of Zi - on in
come a gain.
well - fought fray.

sweet com - mun - ion wed; The bride a - waits her glo - ry:

Lord Je - sus Christ, her head. A - men!

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1795-1995 Bicentennial Hymn
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Before the Throne of God Above

Charitie Bancroft (1841-1923)

Vikki Cook



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove, I have a strong and per - fect
2. When Sa-tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with-
3. Be - hold him there! The ri - sen Lamb, my per-fect spot-less right-eous-



plea, a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for
in, up - ward I look and see him there who made an end of all my
ness; the great un - change - a - ble I AM, the King of glo - ry and of



me. My name is gra - ven on his hands, my name is writ - ten on his
sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - iour died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed
grace! One with him - self I can - not die, my soul is pur - chased by his



heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can
free; for God, the just, is sat - is - fied to look on
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.
Sav - iour and my God, with Christ my Sav - iour and my God.

Like a River Glorious

I will extend peace to her like a river. Is. 66:12

1. Like a riv - er glo - rious is God's per - fect peace, o - ver
 2. Hid - den in the hol - low of his bless - ed hand, nev - er
 3. Ev - 'ry joy or tri - al fall - eth from a - bove, traced up -

all vic - to - rious in its bright in - crease; per - fect, yet it
 foe can fol - low, nev - er trai - tor stand; not a surge of
 on our di - al by the Sun of Love. We may trust him

flow - eth full - er ev - 'ry day, per - fect, yet it grow - eth deep - er
 wor - ry, not a shade of care, not a blast of hur - ry, touch the
 ful - ly all for us to do; they who trust him whol - ly find him

♩ REFRAIN

all the way.
 spir - it there. Stayed up - on Je - ho - vah, hearts are ful - ly blest,
 whol - ly true.

7
 find - ing, as he prom - ised, per - fect peace and rest.

SERMON NOTES

“Eyeing the Father’s Love”
Psalm 103 | Rev. Dr. David Gilbert

JOIN US AT 6:00 P.M. FOR EVENING WORSHIP

Growing in Godliness

“Peace with God”

Romans 5:1-5 | Rev. David Henderson

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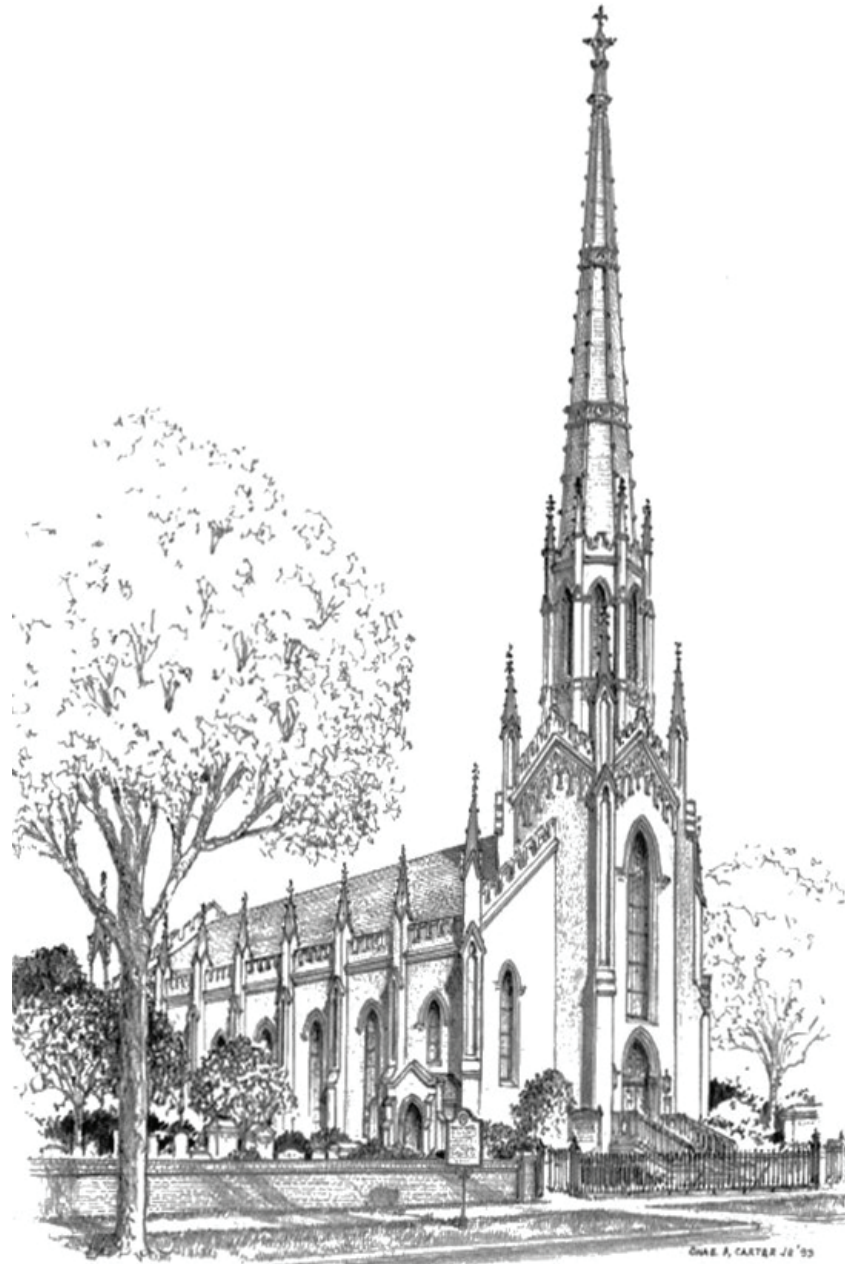
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ANDREWS

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Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
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Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him, still the same forever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely as his mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish,
Blows the wind and it is gone;
But while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him;
You behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
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INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS 11:15 A.M.

NEW MEMBERS BAPTISMS 11:15 A.M.

Paten Abbott and Jacob Stover

From Abel's favored offering
To Jesus' holy cross
The church of God's own choosing
Has triumphed over loss.

*Then come, O saints of Zion
In sweet communion wed
The bride awaits her glory
Lord Jesus Christ, her Head.*

By faith our fathers labored
In faith, they lived and died.
From Abraham to David,
Faith stood when it was tried.

This covenant of grace divine
By Christ's own blood was bought
The promises of blessing
Shall never come to nought.

By martyrs' death the holy seed
Was sown in grief and pain
That holy seed will flourish
Till Christ shall come again.

The church of God triumphant
Shall in that final day
Have all her sons and daughters.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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MORNING PRAYER

+ **HYMN** *Before the Throne of God Above*

Vikki Cook

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea:
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
My name is written on his heart.
I know that while in Heav'n he stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see him there,
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free,
For God the just is satisfied
To look on him and pardon me,
To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace.
One with himself I cannot die;
My soul is purchased by his blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
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+ DOXOLOGY

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SCRIPTURE LESSON

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- ¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
- ² Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
- ³ who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
- ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
- ⁵ who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- ⁶ The Lord works righteousness
and justice for all who are oppressed.
- ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.
- ⁸ The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- ⁹ He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
- ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
- ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.
¹⁴ For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.
¹⁵ As for man, his days are like grass;
he flourishes like a flower of the field;
¹⁶ for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,
and its place knows it no more.
¹⁷ But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to
everlasting on those who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's children,
¹⁸ to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.
¹⁹ The Lord has established his throne in the heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.
²⁰ Bless the Lord, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!
²¹ Bless the Lord, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!
²² Bless the Lord, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. David Gilbert

“Eyeing the Father’s Love”

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 699** *Like a River Glorious*

WYE VALLEY

Like a river glorious is God’s perfect peace,
over all victorious in its bright increase;
perfect, yet it floweth fuller ev’ry day,
perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.

*Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as he promised, perfect peace and rest.*

Hidden in the hollow of his blessed hand,
Never foe can follow, never traitor stand;
Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care,
Not a blast of hurry, touch the spirit there.

Ev'ry joy or trial falleth from above,
Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love.
We may trust him fully all for us to do;
They who trust him wholly find him wholly true.

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