

FIRST (SCOTS) PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 10, 2021 AT 11:15 A.M.
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
BAPTISM OF THE LORD

THE VISION OF GOD

PRELUDE

"Ciacona in E Minor" (*BuxWV 160*)

Dietrich Buxtehude
(1637-1707)

(May the beginning of the prelude serve as a call to silent meditation and prayer.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling Jr.

(Please sign the friendship registry insert)

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT

"Make a Joyful Noise"

Isadore Freed

(Katherine Clarkson -Soprano, Abigail Oldstrom -Alto, Kalb Linen-Yates -Tenor, Greg Pipkin -Bass-Baritone)

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Tracey W. Daniel

One: We come to worship God!

All: We worship God in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace.

One: There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,

All: one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Hymn #356

PRAYER OF ADORATION

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

CALL TO CONFESSION (A pause for silent confession follows.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty and Everlasting God, we confess that we have not paid much attention to the baptism of Jesus, perceiving it as little more than a nice story which begins his ministry. We do not always see ourselves standing in Your promises, nor do we strive nearly enough to live into the claims of our own baptisms. When faced with the bareness of this world, we oftentimes end up expecting little and hoping for less. Forgive our lack of faith, Merciful God. Open our eyes again to Your eternal love which has called us by name and from which nothing can separate us; through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God has called us and will lead us, even in the wilderness places.

All: Through Christ, we trust that God loves us and will always be with us.

One: Arise then, people of God! We are free!

All: Our future is open, in the living love of our Redeemer! Praise be to God!

†GLORIA PATRI

“Glory be to the Father”

Hymn #579

*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, Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD**†BAPTISM HYMN**

“Baptized in Water” (verse 3)

Hymn #492

*Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,
Marked with the sign of Christ, our King; Born of the Spirit,
We are God's children, Joyfully now God's praises we sing.*

THE WORD ENACTED

The Sacrament of Baptism

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN**THE TIME FOR TEENS**

Elizabeth Riddle

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**THE WORD READ****Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7**

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, “Give them up,” and to the south, “Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

New Testament Lesson: Mark 1:4-13

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.” And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.**THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

“A WITNESS IN THE WILDERNESS”

The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling, Jr.

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

†THE APOSTLES' CREED (UNISON)

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.

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

The Confirmation Class of 2020

THE WELCOME

The people respond, saying: **With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.**

†HYMN OF REFLECTION

"How Firm a Foundation"

Hymn #361

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. James T. Rogers

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

(There will be an opportunity for us to present our tithes and offerings to God as we leave the sanctuary.

You may also text FIRSTSCOTS to 73256 or visit www.first-scots.org.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"There's a Witness in God's Mercy"

Maurice Bevan

†DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn No. 592

*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.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Hymn #547

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"The Peace of the Lord"

N. Grant Pfeifer

†POSTLUDE

"Fugue in G Major" (*BuxWV 175*)

Dietrich Buxtehude
(1637-1707)

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 356

Robert Robinson, c. 1758

1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!
2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
3. O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Tune: NETTLETON, opposite.

Isaiah 43:2-5

LIFE IN CHRIST

How Firm a Foundation 361

"K" in *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787
Ed. John Rippon; alt.

FOUNDATION 11.11.11.11

American folk melody
Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
4. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,

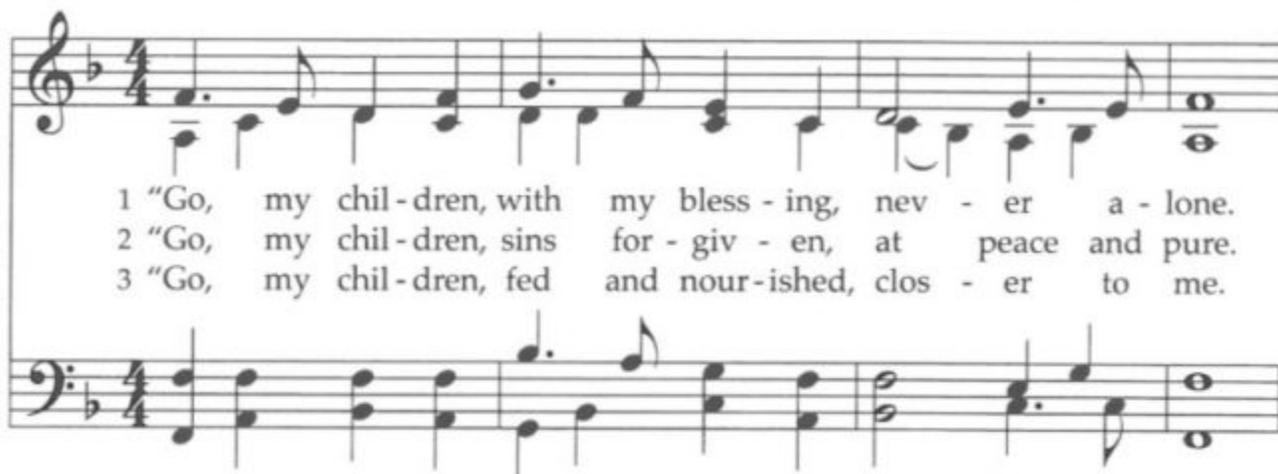
Is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
For I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign

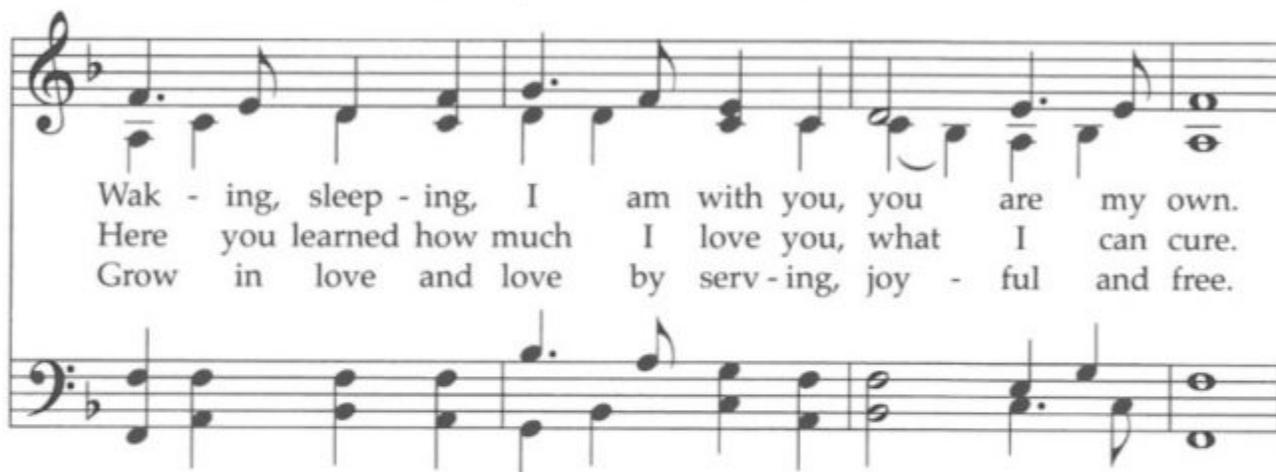
To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
And sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.

5. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

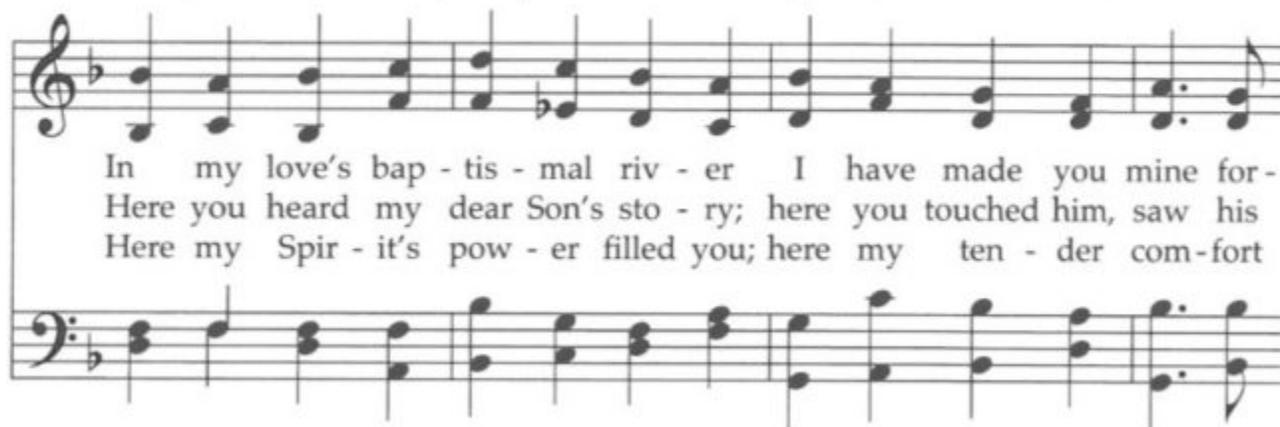
Go, My Children, with My Blessing 547



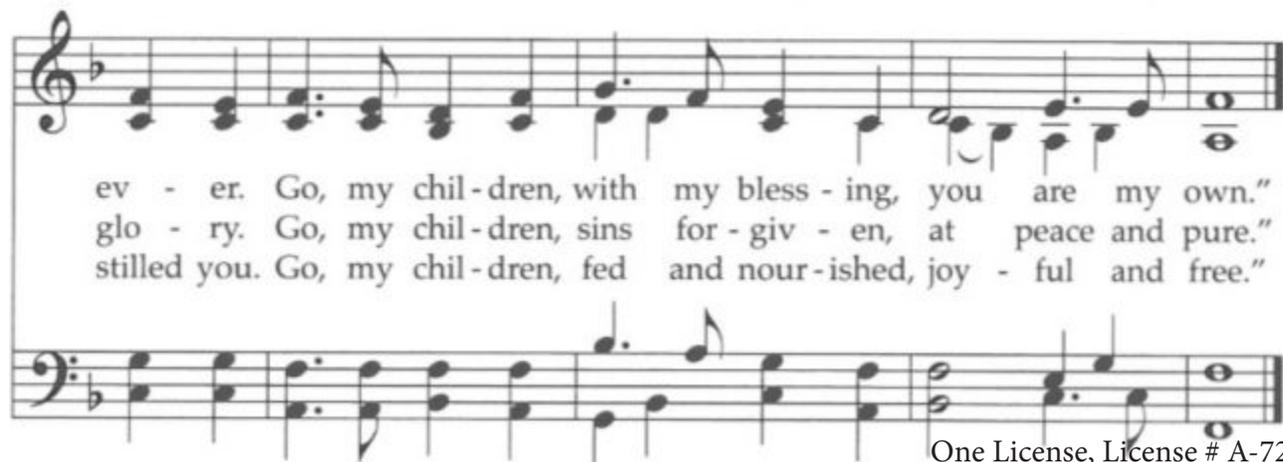
1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.
 2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos-er to me.



Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you mine for-
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto-ry; here you touched him, saw his
 Here my Spir-it's pow-er filled you; here my ten-der com-fort



ev-er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."
 glo-ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure."
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Announcements

Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study and Breakfast

Our Tuesday Men's Bible Study and breakfast meets at 7:00 a.m. Zoom will continue for everyone interested and will also begin at 7:00! Our Bible Study will continue with the book of Luke, and will take place while physically distanced inside Molly Wier Hall and with masks...AND via Zoom! In order to provide parking for the Kindergarten teachers and Church staff, please move your car from the Church parking lot by 8 a.m. If you would like to join us for breakfast (masks will be required until we are seated), please RSVP to Susan Cocallas by Monday at 8:30 a.m. by calling 843-722-8882 or by emailing scocallas@first-scots.org.

Weekly Wednesday Events

Wednesday Night Worship and Wednesday Night Supper will resume on January 20th.

Thursday Table Talk

Thursday Table Talk will continue its study of the book of Luke. For Zoom login information, please contact Susan Cocallas (scocallas@first-scots.org).

Youth Sunday Planning (Jan. 10th 5-6pm):

High school and middle school youth are invited to meet by Zoom and help brainstorm Scripture passages, music, and decorations for this year's Youth Sunday theme of Tree. Just think of all of the stories in the Bible that involve a tree: Adam and Eve eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, Isaiah tells us that the trees of the field will clap their hands, Zacchaeus climbs a Sycamore tree to see Jesus, and more. Want to participate in this brainstorming session and help prepare worship for February 7? If so, please use our 2020-2021 youth group Zoom access link or request one by emailing your name to James Rogers by 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Read and/or sign up for our weekly youth ministry email at www.tinyurl.com/FirstScotsYouth.

Ladies Bible Study

We are beginning our Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study this Wednesday, January 13 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. We will use a hybrid format: in-person at the church and virtual for anyone who wishes to attend. We will be studying the video series, Genesis: God of Covenant by Jen Wilkin. Interested participants should purchase a study guide from an online retailer. Please contact Amy Shubert at ashubert27@gmail.com with any questions or to be added to the group to receive the Zoom meeting information.

Exploring a Life Wheel with Suzy and Tracey (Jan. 27th @ 7:30 p.m.)

Have you ever done a life wheel assessment? It is something for people of ALL ages. The Life Wheel is quite an informative and intriguing activity to do anytime but there's no better time than at the start of a new year. We'll be offering this introduction via Zoom. We will plan to record it so you can participate at any time. Taking part in this practice can reveal areas where you feel very satisfied in life and the areas needing additional attention in order for you to be more satisfied. We will walk you through each area- there are 8. Don't worry, you do not have to share your answers with anyone! Everyone does his or her own assessment. There are no right or wrong answers. Intrigued yet? If so, please email Tracey (tdaniel@first-scots.org) or Suzy (sedwards@first-scots.org). We'll be taking it with you!

Christian Education Opportunities

Sunday School for Children, Youth, and Adults! All classes resume this Sunday, January 10! Children watch for the links to lessons in your weekly Friday email. Middle School and Confirmation- watch for updates from your teachers. High School- meet at the Kirk House at 9:45 a.m. to begin a new movie with discussion on Yesterday. Adults- continue or resume your class schedule. Dan Adams via zoom and in person Molly Wier Hall this Sunday (10th). Explorers' via zoom and in person Jan. 17th. Covenant Class meets via zoom on Tuesday afternoons at 4pm. If anyone is not part of a Sunday school class and would like to be, please contact Suzy Edwards for more information. I'd love to get you connected! Being a part of a class is a great way to deepen your faith and connect with others. We have a group of wonderfully gifted teachers. Come, grow with us! Get ready Kirk Club families...we will start back with our exciting new year offerings January 20th! Watch for more details and the supplies you need to keep the momentum and excitement of Kirk Club alive and well until we can meet again in person. We have some exciting and fun things things coming your way!

First (Scots) Preschool & Kindergarten Admissions

The Admissions process for First (Scots) Kindergarten & Preschool for the 2021-2022 school year will be held during the month of January. In accordance with our Admission policies, the school offers existing students an opportunity to enroll first. We then offer active church members and siblings of existing students an opportunity to enroll (provided spaces are available) prior to opening it to families in the community. Please call Martha Harken, Kindergarten Director, at 843-722-1606, email her at mharken@first-scots.org or visit the website at www.first-scots.org/kindergarten if you are interested in receiving more information. Applications can also be found in the reception area on the 2nd floor of the church.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in honor of Benjamin Ramsey O'Dell Jr. and his baptism today, by his parents Benjamin and Lauren O'Dell

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM will be administered to Benjamin Ramsey O'Dell Jr. during the service. He will be baptized by The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling Jr. Elder Linda Stout will assist. Ben is the son of Benjamin and Lauren O'Dell.

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OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP EXTENDS BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE SANCTUARY in the form of video recording and livestreaming. Your presence with us today signifies consent to the possibility that your image may be included as part of our media broadcast.

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ASSISTING WITH SERVICE TODAY

GREETERS: John Metcalf, Brad Morrison

USHERS: David Hay (Captain), Henry Hay, David McCormack, Margaret McCormack

DEACONS: Meredith Mason (Lead Deacon), Elizabeth Riddle (Assisting Deacon), Beth Evans (Assisting Deacon), Ashley Nutley (Greeter)

BEADLE: David Hay **LAY READER:** Elizabeth Riddle

BELL RINGER: Daniel Sansone

PASTOR ON CALL (January 11) The Rev Dr. James T. Rogers (843-513-3717)

(January 12 – January 17) The Rev. Dr. L. Holton Siegling Jr. (865-456-2235)

ELDER ON CALL (January 11 – January 17) – Nancy Harley (843-729-0030)

DEACON ON CALL (January 11 – January 17) – Julianne Farnsworth (843-469-1069)

CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2020

Ian Walker Ford

Preston Elisha Kut

William Kershaw Fishburne LeClercq

Margaret Claudia Lipscomb

Abigail Grace Morrison

Gabriel Braden Morrison

Adair Fontaine Smith

Susan Payne White

Margaret Ann Wilkins

Susanna Callahan Woodward

SPECIAL THANKS TO BETH & BRAD MORRISON, FRAN & CHRIS HAWK, AND KRIS KUT WHO FAITHFULLY SERVED AS CONFIRMATION GUIDES.



The Reverend Dr. L. Holton Siegling Jr., Senior Pastor

The Reverend Dr. James T. Rogers, Associate Pastor

The Reverend Tracey W. Daniel, Associate Pastor

Stephen Ministry

Suzy S. Edwards, Director of Christian Education

Deanna Barteet, Church Administrator

Shelby Olinger, Church Accountant

Marilyn Stark, Financial Assistant

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Monica Mitchell, Sexton

Jermaine Thomas, Sexton

Daniel Sansone, Director of Music & Organist

Ricard Bordas, Director of Choral Music

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Christina Wilhoit, Handbell Choir

Megan Boucher, Middle School Youth Director

Martha Harken, Kindergarten Director

Nancy Hunsicker, Food Service Director

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