

# Scottish Rite Creed

Human progress is our cause,  
liberty of thought our supreme  
wish, freedom of conscience  
our mission, and the guarantee  
of equal rights to all people  
everywhere our ultimate goal.

# Scottish Rite Mission

It is the mission of the Scottish  
Rite of Freemasonry, SJ, to  
improve its members and  
enhance the communities in  
which they live by teaching and  
emulating the principles of  
Brotherly Love, Tolerance,  
Charity, and Truth, while  
actively embracing high social,  
moral, and spiritual values,  
including fellowship,  
compassion, and dedication to  
God, family, and country

# Resources

Supreme Council, Southern Jurisdiction

<https://scottishrite.org/>

Mississippi Scottish Rite

<http://msscottishrite.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/msscottishrite>

Hattiesburg Scottish Rite

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/hattiesburgsr>

Online Petition

<https://scottishrite.jotform.com/212843415672961>



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# Valley of Hattiesburg



## WHY SCOTTISH RITE

Many men ask, “why are there 33 Degrees?” They are often jokingly told, “to explain the first 3!”



This is partly true. Freemasonry is a lifelong learning experience, and Scottish Rite provides a wealth of resources that both explains and expounds upon Blue Lodge Masonry. However, Scottish Rite goes further and introduces initiates to a whole new system of mystical symbolism.

Before asking, “Why Scottish Rite,” we should probably start with the more foundational question: “why did you become a Freemason?” Our hope is that one of our programs at Hattiesburg Valley is a part of that answer.

Our Valley has a diverse group of activities that we hope will interest you. Stated meetings are the first Friday of every month, with a covered dish supper beginning at 6:00. We often have special dinners and love for our ladies to join us. Most wear a coat and tie, but business casual attire is perfectly acceptable.

## WHY SCOTTISH RITE

### Contemplative Practices

The Academy of Reflection includes a variety of contemplative activities to enhance our understandings of ourselves, Masonry, our relationships with others, and our relationships with the Great Architect of the Universe. The goal is to put contemplative insights into practice as Masons in the “real world.” The Academy includes a variety of personal activities, coursework, group activities and retreats.



### Fellowship

The Robert Burns Society and Oaken Barrel Club often meet after hours or where three or more may be found.

### Education

One of the main goals of the Scottish Rite is education. We sponsor the Master Craftsman Courses, which rival college courses. Members who complete a course receive a scholarship for the cost. We also have monthly educational presentations and guest speakers.



## WHY SCOTTISH RITE

### Service

The Knights of St. Andrew are our service organization and it is open to all new initiates. The group has their own meetings, officers and funds.



### Chat

Many of our Brethren frequently chat in between meetings about Masonically related items of interest, like TV shows, books and Youtube videos on the GroupMe chat app.

### Competition

The Knight of the Double Eagle awards program recognizes the work of the members. Becoming a Knight of the Double Eagle is attained by accumulating points and the presentation of the basic award. Additional awards are issued annually and based on a points scale.



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