

WE'RE PLEASED YOU CAME TO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY
PLEASE LET US CONNECT WITH YOU

Name(s) _____

Phone or Email: _____

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- I would like more information
- I want to volunteer
- I would like to be contacted
- I have updated information

Prayer Request

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Announcements

Volunteers Needed to volunteer for nursery or greeter check the above form. **E-Mails** Signup on our website or message the church.

On The Radio Sunday Morning Service is on KAPIFM 88.3 from 10:30 am—12 noon.
Nursery workers for the coming weeks will be:
 May 2 — Nancy Pierce
 May 9 — Megan Stevens

Book Club April 28, 6:30 pm at the Stevens home
Women's Prayer Meeting May 13, 7 pm

Men's Prayer Breakfast
May 7, 7 am

Candy Catechism: Candy Catechism: What sort of a mediator and deliverer must we seek? One who is very man, and perfectly righteous; and yet more powerful than all creatures; that is, one who is also very God.

Lord's Day

May 1, 2021

Preparing our Hearts

Welcome and Announcements

**Indicates standing if you are able.*

Gathering of God's People

* The Call to Worship

Psalm 1:1-2; 2:12c

People: Amen!

* Song 167 (vv. 1-4) When Morning Guilds the Sky

* God's Invocation Psalm 106:1

Minister: Hallelujah! Give thanks to the Lord,
People: for he is good; his love endures forever.

* God's Greeting and Prayer

Eph 1:1-2

Confession and Purification

Reading of the Law

Gal 3:10 (WSC 84)

Silent Confession

Kneelers are in front of you under the pew if you would like to use them for confession.

Corporate Confession of Sins

Isa. 59:1-3 Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but our iniquities have made a separation between us and our God, and our sins have hidden his face from us so that he does not hear. For our hands are defiled with blood and our fingers with iniquity; our lips have spoken lies; our tongues mutter wickedness.

Declaration of Forgiveness

1 Cor 6:11

* Song 521 My Hope is Built on Nothing less

Proclamation of God's Word

New Testament Psalms

Gal 4:3-7

Psa 4 (From the back of the Trinity; pg. 786)

Pastoral Prayer (End with the 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!

* The 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, Amen.

Sermon

Matthew 1 Genealogy of Hope

- a) Where are we? (Intertestamental Background)
- b) Why the Genealogy
- c) What Comfort for Today

Pastor Chris

* Song 32 Great is Thy Faithfulness

Why read scripture publicly?

We spiritually benefit from being devoted to the word read, preached, and taught (1 Tim 4:13)

Why the 'Lord's Prayer'?

It summarizes a biblical, comprehensive approach of what to pray, and it joins us to the worldwide saints past and present.

Response of God's People

Collection of Our Offerings

* Doxology - #731

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.

Celebration of Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

We warmly welcome to the table all who trust in Jesus Christ for their salvation, have been baptized, and are in good standing at a true, Bible proclaiming church. There is no pressure to take communion if you are not ready. As Christ gave wine to the first disciples we use wine for Communion, but the inner rings are juice if you prefer.

Confession of Faith:

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready, from now on, to live unto him.

Prayer and Consecration

We prayerfully prepare our hearts and minds to 'taste and see that the Lord is Good' (Psa 34:8).

Words of Institution and Celebration

In celebration of our unity in Christ, please hold the bread and wine until everyone has been served, then we will all partake together.

Prayer After The Supper

Gracious Father, we thank you for the blessing of this spiritual feast. Instead of wrath, we have received Christ's grace and mercy. You have fed us again as we boldly enter the Holy of Holies where Christ, the High Priest, and our only Mediator reigns and rules. Please strengthen our faith and keep us in the shadow of your wings. We ascribe glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

Sending of God's People

* Song 600 He Leadeth Me

* Benediction

* Song #740 Threefold Amen

Welcome To



**JOHN KNOX
Ruston**



'TO KNOW HIM AND THE POWER OF
HIS RESURRECTION' PHIL 3:10