

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

Name(s) _____

Phone or Email: _____

Address: _____

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

Prayer Request

Visit our website www.CovenantRuston.com
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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 KAPI FM 88.3 from 10:30 a.m.—12 noon.

Nursery workers for the coming weeks will be:

July 25 — Valerie Lauck
Aug. 1 — Kay DeFreese

Book Club July 28, 6:30 pm
Ch. 18-20 in Knowing God
at the Stevens' house

Candy Catechism: **WSC 86 What is faith in Jesus Christ?**
Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, (Heb 10:39) whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation as he is offered to us in the gospel.

Lord's Day

July 25, 2021

Preparing our Hearts

Welcome and Announcements

**Indicates standing if you are able.*

Gathering of God's People

*** The Call to Worship** Psalm 36:5-9

People: Amen!

*** Song #101** Come, Thou Almighty King

*** 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** Jude 1-2

Confession and Purification

Reading of the Law Luke 10:29-37
The Good Samaritan
v. 37 'Go and do the same'

Silent Confession

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

Corporate Confession of Sins

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess our sinfulness; we are prone to evil and slothful in good. You have shown us how to live and told us your expectations. But we have pursued our own ways and the idols of our hearts. O Lord, have mercy on us and cleanse us of shame. Teach us to cherish your paths and the desires of your heart. We beseech You, and desire to live in your light and walk in your ways. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness Rom 3:28-31

*** Song #12** Exalt the Lord

Why read scripture publicly?

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

Proclamation of God's Word

Psalms Psalm 30
(Trinity pg. 794)

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!

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.

*** 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 Matt 5:11-20
Who and What We Are

Pastor Chris

*** Song #580** Lead On, O King Eternal

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 Q&A 67 Are both the word and sacraments ordained and appointed to direct our faith to the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross as the only ground of our salvation?

Yes, indeed for the Holy Spirit teaches us in the gospel, and assures us by the sacraments, that the whole of our salvation depends upon the one sacrifice of Christ which he offered for us on the cross.

Prayer and Consecration

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Minister: [prayer]

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.

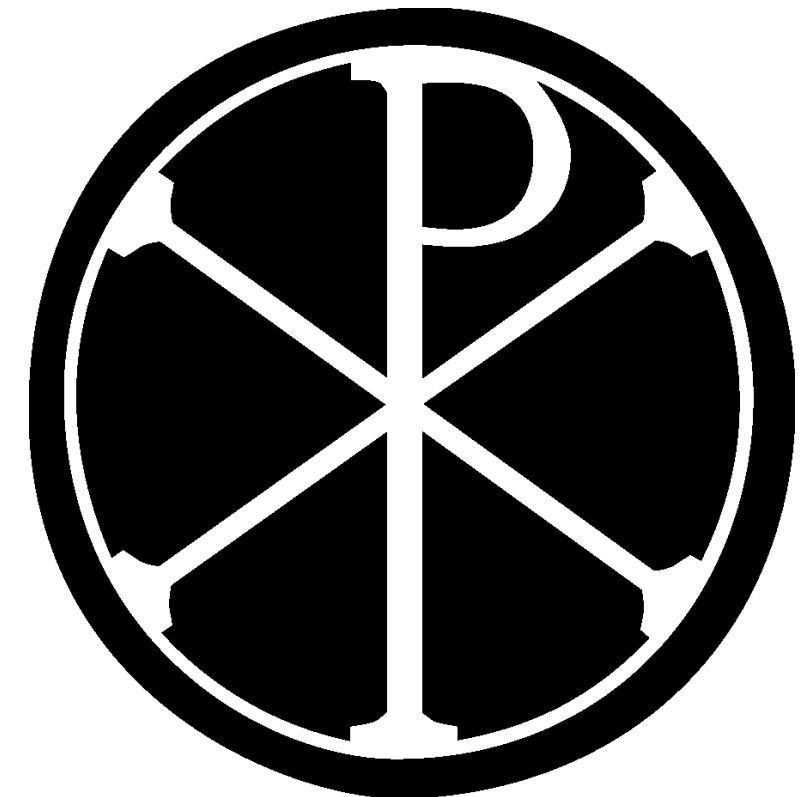
Sending of God's People

* **Song #727** Lead Me, Lord Lead Me

* **Benediction**

* **Song #740** *Threefold Amen*

Welcome To



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A PCA Congregation

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