

**WE'RE PLEASED YOU JOINED FOR WORSHIP TODAY
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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

Visit us at www.CovenantRuston.com
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Announcements

Volunteers needed for nursery and greeter. If interested, please check above.

Nursery Workers:	Helpers:
Sept-19 DeFreese	McGovern
Sept-26 Pierce	Dickerson

On the Radio Sunday Mornings on KAPI FM 88.3

Newsletters Signup is on our website to stay connected.

Candy Catechism:

Apostles' Creed

Gathering of God's People

**Indicates standing if you are able.*

/* The Call to Worship Psalm 18:6-10, 16-19

People: Amen!

*** Song** #100 Holy, Holy, Holy

*** Our Response Psalm 106:1**

Minister: Hallelujah! Give thanks to the Lord.

People: for he is good; his love endures forever.

*** God's Greeting** 2 John 3

Why a call to worship?
Because God summons us to the throne of grace so we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need (Heb 4:16)

Confession and Purification

God's Law Matthew 5:48

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Silent Confession

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

Corporate Confession of Sin

Our Father, we are sinful, and you are holy. We recognize your standard is perfect conformity to Christ. We also know how often we have offended you in thought, word, and deed, not only by obvious violations, but even implicit sinful thoughts, and by what we have left undone. There is nothing in us that gives us reason for hope, for where we thought we were well, we are sick in soul. Where we thought we were holy, we are in truth unholy and ungrateful. Help us repent and turn away from darkness. Lead us to the tender grace of Christ and cleanse us of sin, shame, and selfishness.

Why a corporate confession?
Because God receives and heals those who confess their sins (1 John 1:9)

Declaration of Forgiveness Ephesians 2:3-8

*** Song** #38 Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise

Proclamation of God's Word

Scripture Reading Psalm 42 (pg. 800)

Pastoral Prayer

(End with the Lord's Prayer corporately)

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!

*** Sing: 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 7:24-8:13
A Sage in Head and Heart now uses Hands
Pastor Chris

*** Song** #195 Joy to the World!

Response of God's People

Our Gifts and Offerings

* Doxology

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 Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead; I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Catholic means according to the whole, universal church.

Prayer and Consecration

1 Cor 10:16-17

Minister: The Cup of Blessing is a sharing in the blood of Christ

People: The Bread we break is a sharing of the body of Christ

Minister: For there is one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father

People: We who are many are one body

All: So, we share in one Bread.

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

Father, we have received again in this meal the grace of Jesus Christ, the lord and giver of life. Though poor sinners, we have dined with the King. You have nourished our souls again. May we go forth strengthened by the Spirit, renewed in your love, and bearing fruit for your name. For Yours is the Kingdom, the power, and the Glory forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing and Benediction

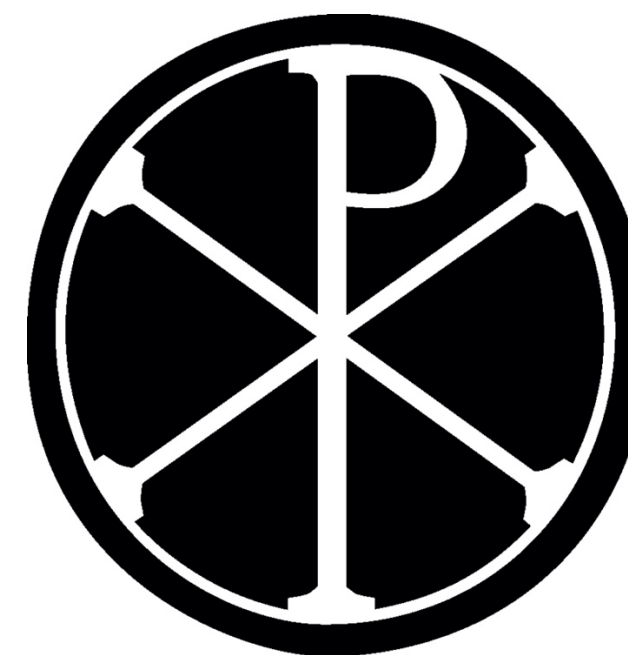
* Song #295 Crown Him with Many Crowns

* Benediction

* Song #740 *Threefold Amen*

Welcome

Lord's Day
September 19, 2021



**COVENANT
REFORMED**

A PCA Congregation

Church's Mission—

To Know Christ and the Power of His Resurrection, Phil 3:10