

11:00 am Worship

April 21, 2024

WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Communion Sunday

Choral Call to Worship "The Lord Is In His Holy Temple" Choir
Greeting/Announcements/Scripture Reader: John McCarthy
Prelude:

*Salutation and Call to Worship: Psalm 116:1-2, 17-19

¹ I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy.

² **Because he turned his ear to me,
I will call on him as long as I live.**

¹⁷ I will sacrifice a thank offering to you
and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁸ **I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people,**

¹⁹ in the courts of the house of the LORD— in your midst, Jerusalem.
Praise the LORD.

*Hymn: "As We Gather" Hymnal #646

*Let us pray a unison prayer of Confession:

O Heavenly Father, have mercy on us, and forgive us as we struggle against our own desires, instead of following Your perfect will. We continue to do what we do not want to do, but You Lord are faithful to all generations and are full of grace and love for Your fallen children. Please help us to remember that in Christ we are a new creation, that our sins have been cast as far as the East is from the West, that we have freedom in Christ. Merciful Lord, as we humbly confess our sins, remind us who we are in You. Remind us that we are Your redeemed and reconciled children, and that Jesus has washed us as white as snow. It's in Jesus name that we pray. Amen

*Silent Confession of Sin

*Assurance of Pardon:

The steadfast love of God never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning; great is God's faithfulness.
In the name of the risen Christ, we are forgiven!

*The Gloria Patri Hymnal # 734
First Scripture: Psalm 23 Pew Bible #539

Prayers of the People (see list below)

Choral Call to Prayer "O How He Loves You and Me" Choir
The Lord's Prayer Hymnal - Inside Front Cover

*Hymn: "Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above" Hymnal #46

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Hymnal #34

*Prayer

Anthem: (Mary Shinholser) "Feed My Sheep" Choir

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Second Scripture Reading: Mark 1:21-28, 1 Cor. 12:1-11 Bible #968/1113

Sermon: "As One With Authority" Glenn Coleman
Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Apostles' Creed Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

*Hymn: "Let Us Break Bread Together" v 1 Hymnal #699

Lord's Supper

*Hymn: "Let Us Break Bread Together" v 2 &3 Hymnal #699

* Charge and Blessing

* Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Directives for Prayer

Paul & Reinhold Sydnor, IAFR, France

Shut-in/not attending: Grace T. Seat

- Full Prayer list listed in monthly newsletter – copies available at each entrance

We welcome our visitors and ask them to fill out a blue visitor card located in the pew rack. We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Christian discipleship and become a member of this fellowship. You may do this by meeting with the Session to express your faith in Christ in one of the following ways: Profession of Faith, Transfer of Membership or Reaffirmation of Faith.

Listening devices are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary.

Prayer Cards are available in each pew. If you would like to have a card sent to someone that we pray for during the service, please fill out the card and place in the offering plate. Our prayer card ministry team will send out a card during the following week.

Flowers – Given in celebration of Eric & Sterling Roberts's wedding anniversary and in loving memory of Duncan M. Byrd Jr.

Ushers – serving today Joni Owens at the North Door and Robin Hall * at the South Door. Audio is Colter Wickemeyer.

This Week's Announcements

Session – Today after the fellowship meal.

Communion – We enjoy the opportunity to fellowship together, and are grateful for the sacrament of communion and hope all plan to stay after worship to enjoy a meal together in fellowship.

Women's Bible Study –Wednesday, April 24 at 10:30 am. will be the final class for this study. The next study will be – Pauline Epistles. Watch for more information as we draw closer to Fall.

Evangelism Study – Each Thursday at 1 pm at The Busy Bean. The study is *They Like Jesus But Not the Church* by Dan Kimball. It's not too late to start.

Men's Bible Study –Meet Thursday, April 25 at 6:30. Come join them.

National Day of Prayer – Thursday, May 2. Come out and help support and pray for the community and nation at Halifax High School Auditorium, beginning at 6:30 pm. The guest speaker will be Daniel Ritchie. *"Born without arms, but God has glorified my difference and has given me a thriving life."* *"It is my joy to encourage others, and provide them with the hope of Christ."* Congregation is asked to provide cookies for this event. Cookies can be dropped off in the church office by noon Thursday, or taken directly to HCHS by 6:00 pm.

Greeting Card Ministry - The next meeting for the Greeting Card Ministry will be Tuesday, May 7 at 10:30 am.

Calendar

Sunday, April 21 9:30 am – Sunday School
 10:15 am - Fellowship
 11:00 am – Worship
 12:00 noon – Fellowship meal
 12:45 pm - Session

Wednesday, April 24 10:30 am - Women’s Bible Study
 12:00 noon – AA
 6:00 pm - Choir

Thursday, April 25 1:00 pm – Evangelism Study at Busy Bean
 6:30 pm – Men’s Bible Study
 8:00 pm - AA

Friday, April 26 Office Closed
 12 noon – AA

Church Staff

Pastor John McCarthy – Lay Pastor
 Sherolyn Barnett, Office Manager
 Christopher (Chris) D. Jones, Church Musician
 Sue Wilkins, Church Treasurer
 Ernest (Avon) Traynham, Sexton

Session

Rev. Glenn Coleman – Moderator
 Don Cherry – Clerk of Session

Class of 2024

Don Cherry
 Joni Owens
 Colter Wickemeyer

Class of 2025

Robert Guthrie
 Mike Rand

Class of 2026

Kim Albert
 Les Powell

Diaconate

Frances Harrell and Sterling Roberts – Co-Chair

Class of 2024

Frances Harrell
 Larry McPeters
 Maelyn Fraser Freshour

Class of 2025

Sterling Byrd-Roberts
 Carol Foster
 Robin Hall

Class of 2026

Sandi Hughes
 Kim Wickemeyer

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Mark Foster
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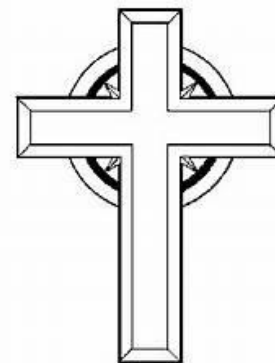
Paige Powell
 (2024)

Melissa Fraser
 (2025)

Terri Smith
 (2026)



“Blessed are you
 WHEN PEOPLE HATE YOU ...
 BECAUSE OF THE
SON OF MAN.
Rejoice in that day ...
 BECAUSE
 GREAT IS YOUR
**REWARD IN
 HEAVEN.”**
LUKE 6:22-23, NIV



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Mission Statement

"Growing God's Presence"
Foundational Principles
Christ Centered~Biblically Based~
Spirit Led~Grounded in Faith and Love
Values
Committed~Servant Heart~
Nurturing~Welcoming~Visioning

No nursery or Children’s Church will be provided at this time.
 5 cents-a-meal Offering is collected the third Sunday of each month.
 Worship every Sunday 11:00 am; Sunday School is at 9:30 am.
 Fellowship at 10:15 am. Internet: 1stPresWifi-guest: 800north

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