

**Prelude ~** Pam Campbell

**Welcome & Announcements**

Worship Leader: Jason Johnson

**Christ's Light Enters**

**Introit** "May the Grace of Christ our Savior" Choir  
*\*(Please stand as you are able)*

**\*Call to Worship**

We come to worship our God.

**We come to worship the God of love, mercy, and grace.**

Our God calls us by name.

**We belong to God. We trust God with our lives.**

Therefore, we gather together in joy and hope!

**We are in awe of our loving God.**

**\*Opening Song** "Stand Up and Bless the Lord" vs. 1,2,5 #662

**Opening Prayer**

**Loving God, your changes touch our lives with mystery and hope.**

**We come to this place today, ready to see your power working**

**through us. Help us to receive your Spirit again so that we can**

**live fearlessly and do your will. In Christ we pray. Amen.**

**Anthem** "O That I had a Thousand Voices" Choir

**The Psalm** Psalm 8 #743  
Liturgist: Sydney Conner

**Children's Message** Nancy Wentz

[After Children's Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

**Sermon** "Fear of the Lord" **Pastor Melanie Adams**  
Part 13 of Series: With Courage and Hope

**Response** "You Are My Hiding Place" #2055

**Sharing of Prayers: Celebrations and Concerns**

**Silent Meditation and Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer #895**

**The Offering**

**The Doxology** #95

**\*Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

**Generous God, by your example of unlimited love and grace demonstrated by your son, Jesus, and in countless ways throughout history, we commit ourselves to greater generosity of all that you have given us. Our offering is an act of worship and devotion, a confession of our faith, and an act of dependence on you. With joy we dedicate these tithes and offerings to your service. Amen.**

**Holy Communion**

**\*Closing Song** "How Firm a Foundation" vs. 1,2,3 #529

**Our Purpose**

What is our purpose? **To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

**Benediction**

**Benediction Response** "Bless the Lord" Choir

**Postlude**

**God Welcomes All and So Do We!!!!!!**

**UPDATED 740 Prayer Initiative**

*(Thank you for stepping up your prayers for our congregation! Set your phones to remind yourself to stop at 7:40 am and/or 7:40 pm each day to pray for our church and the mission and ministry we are called to do. Where did we come up with the number 740? It is our street address number. If you can't pray at 7:40, choose another time. The important thing is that we are praying!)*

Scriptures for prayer: "So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up" Galatians 6:9.

"Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us" Ephesians 3:20.

Please pray that God continues to work in our hearts and through the work of our hands so that others may also come to experience Christ's love. Pray that God would lead us and equip us for the living out of our purpose (what we repeat at the end of each service). And pray that God help each of us to be a follower of Christ committed to living a life of worship & hospitality, a life of opening our heart to the Holy Spirit, and a life of service & generosity. Pray for those who are seated around you in worship, whether you know them by name or not. Remember to lift up the need of our community and world. Pray the news: as you listen to the news of each day pray about each situation.

Give thanks to God! "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

## PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today.

Jesus changes lives!

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**Tim Holt**

**Andy Lambert**

**Family of Jerry Ruud**

**Richard Swenson**

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## Thoughts to Ponder

What does "Fear of the Lord" mean to you? Is that way of describing your relationship with God helpful to you? Why or why not?

Has your understanding of the term "Fear of the Lord" changed in any way after today's sermon?

## Events this week in church:

### Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>:

- 9:00 am Chapel Communion
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Chicken & Noodle Dinner

### Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>:

- 7:00 pm Finance

### Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>:

- 6:30 pm SPPRC

### Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>:

- 5:00 pm Sittin' With Jesus
- 5:30 pm Choir Practice
- 5:45 pm Table Talk Meal
- 6:30 pm Table Talk Classes

### Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>:

- 9:00 am Chapel Communion
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Fellowship
- 11:30 am Missions
- 7:00 pm Visionaries Bowling Night

Visionaries, mark your calendars for Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be meeting at Thunderstrikez Bowling Alley, 7:00 pm. Wear comfy clothes, bring a snack to share and be ready for some fun.



## Annual Chicken & Noodle Dinner

# Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>

## 11:30 am - 1:00 pm



**April 7<sup>th</sup> has been designated as CRAZY SOCK SUNDAY!!! The Visionaries ask all of you to wear your crazy or mismatched socks that day. Yes, you have to wear clothes with the socks!!!**

# a Place for You

**BELONG • BELIEVE • BECOME**

**April 7, 2019**

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