#### What We Believe ...

#### THE SCRIPTURES

#### We Believe...

... in the verbal inspiration of the Word of God and,

...that both the Old and New Testaments are inerrant in the original writings and are the supreme and final authority for faith and life.

#### THE GODHEAD

#### We Believe...

...that the Godhead exists in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. These three Persons are one God, having precisely the same nature and attributes.

#### THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

#### We Believe in...

- ...His eternal existence as God;
- ...His incarnation and Virgin Birth;
- ... His death on the cross as the substitutionary atonement for sin;
- ... His literal, bodily resurrection from the dead;
- ... His present ministry of intercession in heaven;
- ...His personal, future return to earth;
- ...His unique position as the only Savior.

#### THE HOLY SPIRIT

#### We Believe...

...that the Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Godhead, convicts men of sin and regenerates, baptizes, indwells, seals, and sets apart believers unto a holy life; Keeps and empowers believers day by day; and is the Teacher of the Word of God and the Guide for daily living.

#### MAN

#### We Believe...

- ...man was created innocent and pure and
- ...Adam fell through the sin of disobedience.
- ...Therefore, all men are corrupted in body, soul, and spirit; and all men need redemption.

#### SALVATION

#### We Believe...

- ...salvation is by grace, a free gift of God apart from works;
- ...salvation is through personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ;
- ...true salvation will be manifested by a changed life.

#### THE FUTURE

#### We Believe...

...the personal, visible, bodily return of Jesus Christ to earth;

...the bodily resurrection of the just to the eternal abode in the glory of God's presence; and

...the bodily resurrection of the unjust to judgment and everlasting punishment in the lake of fire.

#### Ways You Can Tithe

Visitors Scan Here

We are excited to be able to offer several ways that our Faith family can tithe to our church.

- In person (see box on hallway round table)
- Through your bank with "Bill Pay."
- Online: You can go to our church's webpage at faithkinston.org and click the "Give Online" link.

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### **December 1, 2024**

John Robert Harris, MDiv - Lead Pastor Alan Armstrong, Ph.D - Music Minister Jennifer Lewis - Children's & Family Pastor

> 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service



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### Worship Service

Welcome		Jennifer
Call to Worship		Praise Team
Opening Prayer		John Robert
Worship in Song		Praise Team
Choir	"Proclaim His Birth Medley"	
Children's Sermon	"Angels"	Worth Heath
Sermon	"Mary Christmas!" Week 1	John Robert
	Luke 1:26 - 38 (NIV)	
Response Through Song	5	Alan

Communion

**Closing Prayer** 

John Robert

Alan

DATE	December 1	December 8
Acolyte	Lily Hill	Ginny Turner
Nursery	Shelvia Riggs Jessie Wells	Shelvia Riggs Hillary Beamon
Preschool Church	Jennifer Lewis	Jennifer Lewis
Elementary Church	Amy Harris	Amy Harris
Van Drivers	James Aycock	Rob Hoffman
Youth Supper	No Youth Group	No Youth Group
Sunday Night Faith Kids	No Youth Group	No Youth Group - Children's Musical

#### **Calendar Events**

Wednesday Night Bible Study Resumes	
Children's Choir Dress Rehearsal 6:00 PM	
Salvation Army Bell Ringing 10:00 - 6:00 PM	
Congregational Business Meeting, After Worship	
"UNTO US" Children's Musical 6:00 PM	
"PEACE on Earth" Choir Musical 10:30 AM	
Youth Groups Christmas Parties 5:00 PM	



#### **Church Text Communications**

To continue receiving text communications from the church, please text "yes" to 87447 or scan the QR code to the left.

#### **Thanksgiving Dinner**

Thank-you to all who supported our Community Thanksgiving. Because of your generosity, we were able to bring our community together, share a warm meal, and create lasting memories. The love and effort you put into making this event a success are evident, and we are grateful for your ongoing dedication to serving others.

#### Volunteers Needed!



We are in need of 8-10 volunteers to help tidy up the church during the Christmas and New Year weeks while our cleaning crew is on vacation. Your help would mean so much to us! If you'd like to volunteer, please sign up in the Grand Hall. If you don't have access to the church, you can come during office hours, Monday - Friday, 9:00AM - 1:00PM (closed Dec. 25 & 26, and Jan. 1). Thank you in advance for your willingness to help!

#### CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING

We will meet after the morning worship service December 8th to vote on the following items presented by the Leadership Team:

- 1. The 2025 proposed budget (copies are located in the lobby).
- 2. Tom Ford as an Elder and to serve a three year term on the Leadership Team (2025-2027).
- 3. Jeffrey Broadway as an Elder and to serve a three year term on the Leadership Team (2025-2027).

#### **Silent Auction Baskets**

We have two children's baskets available for silent auction in the Grand Hall. Bids can be placed from November 24th - December 8th. Proceeds benefit Women of Faith.





#### **Ribbon Wreath**



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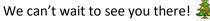
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