

**GATHERING MUSIC****TRINITY CHIMES****GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

Please take a moment to sign the friendship pad located at the end of the pew, and pass it to the person next to you.

**PRELUDE****CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 133

Leader: Behold, how good it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

**People: It is like precious oil on the head, running down. It is like the dew on the mountains.**

Leader: We are an Easter people who worship a Risen Christ.

**People: Come let us worship this God who brings new life!**

**\*HYMN 254** "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** Rev. Dr. Kathryn G. N. Campbell

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

**You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood, yet we still struggle to live into the good news of Jesus Christ. We struggle to believe in you and even when we do believe, we fail to convert that belief into action. Have mercy on us this day. Enter into our lives and cast out the fears that hold us back so that we may come to trust and believe in you.** (silent prayers of confession)

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMN 246, vs. 1** "Christ Is Alive!"  
**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*Please share the Peace of the Lord with those around you.*

**CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN**

Cindy Lee

*After the Children's Conversation, teachers lead children to Children's Worship: age 3 - 4 in room 216; K - 2nd graders in Room 204. Professional childcare for Infants - 2 years is in room 212.*

\*Those who are able may stand.

**PENNIES FOR HUNGER OFFERING**

"Jesus, Our Friend"

Je-sus our friend, Je-sus our friend, we see you help-ing a-  
O-pen our hearts, o-pen our hands, giv-ing and shar-ing with

gain and a - gain. Je-sus our friend, Je-sus our friend,  
stran-ger and friend. O-pen our hearts, o - pen our hands,

We see you help - ing a - gain and a - gain.  
thank God for bles-sings a - gain and a - gain.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION****FIRST READING**

Isaiah 34:1-8, page 622 pew Bible

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING**

John 20:24-31, page 109 pew Bible

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON SERIES** "Belief & Belonging - Too Good to Be True"

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

**\*HYMN 250** "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**From *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**SHARING OF CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS****STAFF ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION - Mary Jane Conger****PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** "Affirmation of Life" (from *The Rose of Calvary*)  
Joseph Martin

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE, HYMN 612, vs. 1**

"We Praise You, O God"

**We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & 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.**

**\*HYMN 742** "We Will Walk with God" (sung twice)

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "Affirmation of Life" (reprise) Joseph Martin

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Please be seated for the Postlude or leave quietly so others might hear.*

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**THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY TO THE GLORY OF GOD** by

Salem and Betsy Bullard and Roger and Cilie Sutton in honor of and gratitude for these ministers. We have been blessed by them all: Rev. Ray Mims, interim minister; Rev. John Muse, transitional minister; Rev. Dr. Ken Meeks, Jr., parish visitor; Rev. Dr. Kathryn Campbell, associate pastor; Rev. Dr. George Carpenter, pastor emeritus; and now (thanks to our PNC committee's hard work!), our new pastor, Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee!

**Acolyte:** Isabelle Gustafson

**Scripture Reader:** Rebecca Gray

**Church Opener:** Parks Williams

**Church Closer:** Brownie Owens

**Sound Booth:** Ry Porter

**Video Booth:** Richard Porter

**Door Greeters:** Howard and Debbie Pace

**Welcome Desk:** Jinny Buchanan **Parking Lot Greeter:** Lee Goodson

**Breakfast Set-up/Clean-up:** Jim and Jean Fisher

**Collection Counters:** Anna Lewis and Jim Fisher

**Ushers:** Ginger Walton, Paul Tiedeman, Bryan Toney, Brownie Owens, Kathie Tiedeman, Carter Walton, Gary Anderson

**BEREAVEMENT**

**Everett Lee Gallimore** was raised from the Starmount Presbyterian Church to the Church Triumphant on March 28, 2018. A memorial service will be held at Starmount on Sunday, April 22nd at 2:00 p.m.

**CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION**

- **Don Spencer** is being monitored for irregular heartbeat, and will have procedure in a couple of weeks.
- **Ken Meeks** thanks all for prayers, calls, notes during recent surgery.
- Sean Griffith asked for prayers for **all those in need**.
- **Cynthia Hunt** is clear of cancer! Thanks for all your prayers and notes.
- Donna Bailey's friend, **Tammy Collins**, has stage 4 lung cancer.
- **Gai Riak and Adhieu Atem** arrived in the U.S. 17 years ago. Thanks the church for all the support and help over the years.
- Stan Dixon thanked all **volunteers who help with Mobile Meals**.



April 8, 2018 · 10:00 a.m.

Welcome!

We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's house with its doors wide open.

If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us.

We invite you to join us, but most of all, to return often.

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**Called to Worship. Empowered to Serve.**

**THIS WEEK AT STARMOUNT**

<p><b>SUNDAY, April 8</b>  <b>8:45 a.m.</b>          Continental Breakfast, Gathering Space  <b>9:00 a.m.</b>          Adult Sunday School, Room 319  <b>10:00 a.m.</b>          Worship  <b>11:15 a.m.</b>          Faith Formation, Room 319          Youth Committee, Room 323  <b>5:30 p.m.</b>          Mission Committee, Room 319          Yoga Class, Room 321  <b>6:00-7:00 p.m.</b>          Building &amp; Grounds, Room 414  <b>7:00 p.m.</b>          Montreat Youth Conference Meeting, Room 319</p> <p><b>MONDAY, April 9</b>  <b>10:30-11:30 a.m.</b>          Sarah Circle, Parlor  <b>3:30-4:30 p.m.</b>          The Story Bible Study, Room 319  <b>5:00-6:00 p.m.</b>          YWCA Family Shelter Dinner  <b>6:00-7:00 p.m.</b>          Fellowship Committee, Room 414</p> <p><b>TUESDAY, April 10</b>  <b>10:00-11:00 a.m.</b>          Staff Meeting  <b>11:30-12:30</b>          Chair Yoga Class, Room 321  <b>1:30-2:30 p.m.</b>          Caring Ministries, Room 319  <b>3:00-4:00 p.m.</b>          Ruth Circle, Parlor  <b>5:00-6:00 p.m.</b>          Admin. Committee, Room 414</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY, April 10 continued</b>  <b>6:00-7:00 p.m.</b>          Worship &amp; Music Committee, Room 414  <b>6:00-7:30 p.m.</b>          Y12SR (Yoga 12-step Recovery)  <b>7:00-8:00 p.m.</b>          Evangelism &amp; Membership, Room 414          Martha Circle, Parlor</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY, April 11</b>  <b>12:00-1:00 p.m.</b>          The Story Bible Study, Room 414  <b>4:30-6:00 p.m.</b>          Children's Tutoring  <b>7:00-9:00 p.m.</b>          Called Session Meeting, Room 319</p> <p><b>THURSDAY, April 12</b>  <b>7:00-8:30 a.m.</b>          Faith Exploration Study, River Landing  <b>11:30 a.m.</b>          Yoga Class: Out of the Chair  <b>5:00 p.m.</b>          Star Press Newsletter Deadline  <b>6:00-6:45 p.m.</b>          Handbell Rehearsal, Room 326  <b>7:00-8:30 p.m.</b>          Chancel Choir Rehearsal  <b>7:00-8:00 p.m.</b>          Finance Committee, Room 414</p> <p><b>FRIDAY, April 13</b>  <b>9:30-10:30 a.m.</b>          Yoga Class, Room 321</p> <p><b>SATURDAY, April 14</b>  <b>9:00 a.m.</b>          Community Garden Workday  <b>9:30-11:00 a.m.</b>          Breakfast on the Playground</p>
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Staff

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee, Pastor  
 Rev. Dr. Kathryn G.N. Campbell, Associate Pastor  
 Rev. Dr. George C. Carpenter, Pastor Emeritus  
 Rev. Dr. Kenyon Meeks, Jr., Parish Visitor  
 Robert Overman, Director of Worship Arts  
 Michael Parker, Organist  
 Cindy Lee, Director of Children's Ministry  
 Laura Roberson, Lillian Steele Resident for Youth & Young Adult Ministry

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Teachers Leslie Webb and Isabelle Gustafson will lead children ages 3-4 to room 216; teachers Megan Chandler and Debbie Pace will lead K-2nd graders to Room 204. Professional childcare for infants-2 years is in room 212. Thanks to Cindy Dixon and Betty Wade for teaching grades 3-5 this week.

**SPY! (Starmount Presbyterian Youth):** No meeting tonight.

**MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE MEETING** TONIGHT at 7:00 p.m. in room 319.

**MARY JANE CONGER'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY AS STARMOUNT'S LIBRARIAN:** TODAY, Starmount celebrates Mary Jane's 40th anniversary as Librarian. She joined Starmount in 1977 and was quickly recruited to help build the church library. There will be a special collection in Mary Jane's honor that will be used to buy books for our library. Please make checks payable to: Starmount Presbyterian Church and **earmark Mary Jane Conger Library Fund.**

**YWCA SHELTER DINNER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Our church serves dinner at the YWCA Family Shelter at 1807 E. Wendover Ave. on the **SECOND Monday** of each month. Approximately 30 people, half of whom are children, are served. Church members or groups taking one or two months during the year would help greatly. You can sign up after church at the Welcome Desk or at [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com). You can also find out about the mission of the YWCA in Greensboro by visiting [www.ywcagsonc.org](http://www.ywcagsonc.org).

**AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING-WEDNESDAYS, 4:30-6** for 20 students! Help Needed – tutors, drivers, meal prep, grocery shoppers. Volunteer one time or each week: **Apr 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.** Questions, or TO SIGN UP, contact Margaret or Neil Huffman, or use sign-up board outside Room 317.

**COMMUNITY GARDEN:** The spring season started with our first workday yesterday. All ages are encouraged to come – no experience needed, just a willingness to pitch in and help. For those new to the church, our community garden donates 98% of the organic produce we grow to the hungry in our community. If you work in the garden you can have some delicious vegetables to enjoy at home. **Join us on each Saturday at 9:00 a.m.**

**MAY STAR PRESS NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is this Thursday, April 12** at 5pm. Please email articles to [brenda@starmountpres.org](mailto:brenda@starmountpres.org).

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** are due on **Tuesday prior to the Sunday** to be included in the bulletin. Please email to [brenda@starmountpres.org](mailto:brenda@starmountpres.org) and copy [becky@starmountpres.org](mailto:becky@starmountpres.org) for pre-worship slides.

**BREAKFAST ON THE PLAYGROUND Saturday, April 14, 9:30-11:00 a.m.,** children of all ages are invited to enjoy play time on the Preschool playground. Parents can socialize and enjoy a cup of coffee while children play, rain or shine! For more information, please contact Pastor Kathryn.

**JUST LUNCH APRIL 15:** Plan on joining members and friends of the Starmount Church family next Sunday after worship at Newk's in Friendly Shopping Center. It's folks gathering together to eat lunch and share conversation on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Dan and Maria Johnson, Zack and Neal will be the hosts.

**STARMOUNT OUTDOOR ADVENTURES:** An insert with the 2018 schedule of activities is included in your bulletin today including contact information.

**APRIL STATED SESSION MEETING** is NEXT Sunday at 7:00 p.m. in room 319.