

Pastor's Post



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“Have you checked the website lately?”

Dear Starmount Friends,

Our congregation is truly blessed, in that there are so much going on! Each week there are countless opportunities to participate in the life of the church through fellowship activities, mission work, visitation, preschool, book studies, youth ministry; the list goes on and on. While it is a blessing to be a part of such an active and vital congregation, it also presents a challenge for most of us. The challenge is to keep up with all that is happening.

For this reason, we are always working on strengthening our methods of communication here at Starmount. We have many wonderful communication tools at our disposal, and one that is very important is our website. I have seen many church websites in my day, and in my opinion, Starmount has a very good one. If it has been awhile since you have visited our website, I invite you to follow the link and take a look around.

www.starmountpres.org

There are two important uses for a church website. The first is that our website serves as our virtual front door or welcome mat, in which visitors find out information about our congregation and decide if they would like to visit. The second function of our website is that it should serve as a resource for our current membership so that they can have access to important information. I want to let you know about a few updates that have been made to the website in recent weeks that focus on this second function.

Session & Committee Minutes - These documents can now be found on the website under the “About” tab, by clicking on “Our Leadership” in the dropdown menu. On this page you will see a list of our current Elders as well as links for the most recent minutes of the Session and committee meetings. starmountpres.org/about/our-leadership/

Volunteer & Event Opportunities - On the front page of the website, you will see a black bar at the very top of your screen. It has several links, and one new one is “Volunteer.” If you click this link, you will navigate to a page that lists all the current volunteer opportunities available. This page will attempt to capture all volunteer opportunities, so that you no longer have to remember individual sign-up instructions for

each and every volunteer opportunity, but can simply visit this page and click the individual links to sign-up. We also have an “Events” page that provides the same function. starmountpres.org/serve/volunteer-opportunities/

Pastor’s Post - Finally, I wanted to let you know that you can find any of these Pastor’s Post articles by clicking the “In the News” link on that same top black bar. In the future, we are hoping to move to a more traditional blog format for these articles that will make them easier to read and to find, but for now they are simply listed there as links to a PDF. starmountpres.org/news/

I hope you find these tools helpful, and that you will utilize them often!

In Christ,
Charlie Lee