

January 23, 2022

Third Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to worship with honesty:
**With hearts filled with hurt and doubt,
minds filled with many questions and few answers**
We come to worship with hope:
**Hope that you will meet us here,
That you will move within our midst.**
We come to worship with wonder:
**With hearts that are amazed at your love,
And marvel at the depths of your mercy.**
In honesty, in hope, and in wonder, let us worship God!
adapted from W&M Conference Materials 2019

OPENING MUSIC

SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION
PRAYER OF CONFESSION
**Like Nicodemus, we come to you O Lord, preferring the
darkness and avoiding the light. Forgive us, Lord when
we do not understand what it means to follow you.
Forgive us when we forget the other, ignore our
neighbor, refuse the immigrant, neglect the children,
forget the widows, and despise the different.
Forgive us when we insist on seeing the good in
our lives while ignoring the pain in other lives.
Forgive us when we forget that your big, Gospel love
makes the world small enough to connect us all.**
(silent prayers)
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ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

HYMN 692 *Spirit, Open My Heart*

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 3:9-17

SERMON *To Believe*

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

ANTHEM *The Prayer*
Carole Bayer Sager & David Foster
April Hamilton & Stephen Hale, soloists

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Offering boxes are available at the back of the sanctuary.
Gifts may also be made online at starmountpres.org.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven
and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of
the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into
hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence
he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 744 *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

BENEDICTION

Thank you for joining us for worship today.

Please consider participating in our live-streamed service when you
can't make it to church. Each Sunday's service can be found on
starmountpres.org and [youtube.com/StarmountPres](https://www.youtube.com/StarmountPres)

Announcements

Check in using your phone and skip the kiosk - You can check in using your phone whether joining the service in person or via live stream. Open the Realm app on your phone, choose more, choose mobile check-in, touch your name, and check the box for the service.

Starmount Needs Sunday Greeters & Ushers - This is an easy way to serve the church. Ideally, we'd like two volunteers each week. See Parks if you are interested in greeting and contact Anne (anne@starmountpres.org) if you are interested in ushering.

2022 Offering Envelopes - Please stop by the welcome desk in the Narthex to pick up 2022 Offering Envelopes. Envelopes are not named or numbered this year, so you have the option to pick up envelopes for weekly or monthly donation.

Happy Hour Returns in February! - Join us for fellowship zooms each Wednesday in February at 5pm. All are welcome! Check your church emails for the link to join the party.

Attention Parents - Please check in at the Kid's Corner in the Narthex for childcare needs. The nursery for children under 2 begins at 9:50, and kids are welcome to join Children's Church after the children's conversation. Pick up your children after worship in Room 216.

Chilbury Ladies Choir book discussion - January's book discussion has been rescheduled to Wednesday, January 26th at 11 am in the church library. For those who borrowed a book, please return it to the church library by Jan. 27th.

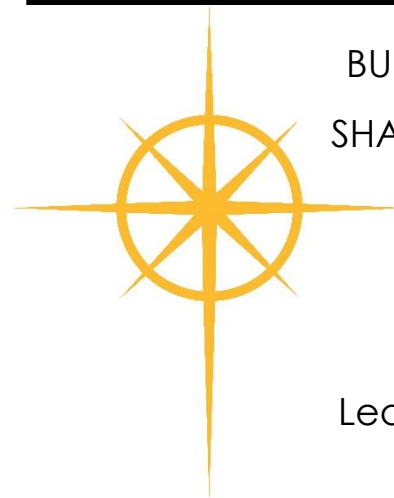
Congregational Meeting, Sunday, February 6, 2022

Please join us for a Congregational Meeting after worship on Sunday, February 6. The purpose of this meeting is to go over the 2022 Budget and Financial Report, to vote on the updated Pastor's Terms of Call, and to hear a report regarding a Capital Plan and the use of Endowment Funds.



Welcome to Sunday Worship

January 23, 2022 · 10:00 a.m.



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