

January 30, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

OPENING MUSIC Hymn 137

He Came Down

SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, Your word says love is patient and kind.

But we confess the times when we have been impatient and unkind.

Your word tells us that love does not envy, that it does not boast, and that it is not proud.

But we confess that sometimes we have been envious, and boastful, and proud.

Your word says that love is not rude, and that it is not self-seeking,

But we confess that in many ways we have been inconsiderate of those around us, thinking only of ourselves.

Your word tells us that love is not easily angered, and that it keeps no record of wrongs.

But we confess how quickly we fly off the handle, and how carefully we keep score when we have been wronged.

Your word says that love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth, that it always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Help us, Lord, not to take pleasure in what is evil, but to always rejoice in the truth of Your love.

Protect us with Your love, Lord, and help us to choose the way of trusting You, putting our hope in You, and persevering in Your ways, knowing that love never fails.

Based on 1 Corinthians 13

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

HYMN 697 *Take My Life, verses 1, 2, 3, 6*

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 13: 1 – 13

SERMON *Love Actually*

Rev. Scott Lawson

ANTHEM Hymn 693

Though I May Speak

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

1 John 4: 7-9 - Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and know God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Matthew 22: 36-40 - "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

1 Peter 4:8 - Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

Romans 13:8 - Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 366 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, verses 1,3,4*

BENEDICTION

Announcements

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 hear the Financial/Budget 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.

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.

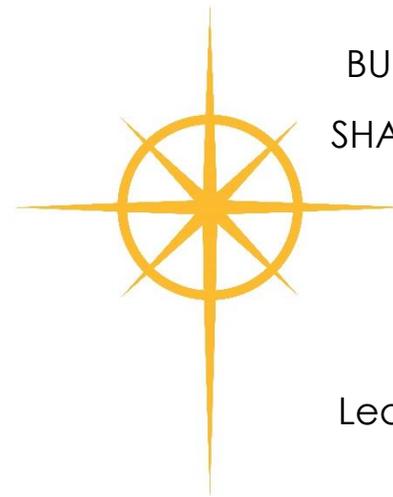
Starmount Needs Sunday Greeters & Ushers

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.



Welcome to Sunday Worship

January 30, 2022 · 10:00 a.m.



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