



April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday

GATHERING MUSIC

Mighty To Save

HYMN 240 *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

I'll Fly Away

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Today is the day mystery unfolds.

We glimpse it at the dawning of light.

Today we recall again God's promises fulfilled.

The tomb is empty!

The Lord is risen!

The power of sin & death have been defeated!

We sing Hallelujah with all of creation.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

OPENING MUSIC

HYMN 245 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*

SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, as we lift up our praise to you this day, we also lift up our confession.

We have not lived as Easter people. We carry on throughout this life as if your resurrection did not occur. Like the disciples, we allow our disbelief and doubt to keep us in the dark. Risen Christ, may your resurrection light shine upon us so that our lives may be a testimony to your salvation. (silent prayers)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

HYMN 246

Christ Is Alive!

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

SCRIPTURE READING**Luke 24:1-12****SERMON*****An Idle Tale*****Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee****ANTHEM*****Glorious, Risen Christ!*****Lloyd Larson****Starmount Chancel Choir****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 – from the Nicene Creed

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**COMMUNION MUSIC****Hymn 507 *Come to the Table of Grace*****HYMN 826*****Lift High the Cross*****BENEDICTION****Announcements**

Congregational Meeting, May 1 – The Session has called a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 1, following worship for the purpose of electing the 2022 nominating committee.

Pennies for Hunger Collection – During this time of reflection the Mission Committee encourages you to make a donation of pennies...or dollars... to help feed the hungry. You can donate in the following ways: drop your donation in the offering box on Sunday, bring a donation to the church office, mail in or give online. All your donations will be matched by the Mission Committee!

Kentucky Mission Trip - The week of June 20, 2022, Starmount Presbyterian Church will be sponsoring a multigenerational mission trip to Dawson Springs, Kentucky, one of the many areas that was damaged by tornadoes in December 2021. You can register by calling the office or online.

Way Forward Wall – For more information check out our Way Forward Wall in the Narthex.

Special musical guests on May 8 – 1aChord is a singing group of 3 young men from UNCG. They met on campus, formed their group, then tried out for and made it to the semi-finals of *America's Got Talent* last season. We look forward to having them join us on May 8 for a Mother's Day musical treat!