

April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter

## GATHERING MUSIC

### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Out of the darkness of grief and despair  
comes a message of hope. Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed.**

We run to the tomb to see for ourselves.

And it is true. Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed.**

We hear a voice call our name,  
and we know our risen Lord  
is with us now and always.

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ is risen, indeed.**

**Thanks be to God.**

## OPENING MUSIC

### SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Wondrous God, we confess that at times our doubts and fears override our hope and faith. Forgive us when we lose sight of the joy of Your love and instead fall into despair and gloom. Lift up our spirits, Lord, and help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, not just the hope of resurrection for the future. We give thanks for Your Son, Jesus the Christ, who continues to offer us new life, who continues to turn us around and upside down, who continues to break down the walls of death in our own life. Forgive us, restore us and renew us. In the name of our risen Savior, Jesus the Christ, we pray.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

**HYMN 231 *Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers***

## CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 20:19-31

**SERMON** *Have Faith in Your Doubt* Rev. Scott Lawson

**ANTHEM** *Wonderful Songs of Grace*, arr. Joseph Martin  
**Soloists: Eynne Franklin & Matthew Brotherton**

### INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Offering boxes are available at the back of the sanctuary.  
Gifts may also be made online at [starmountpres.org](http://starmountpres.org).

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Declaration of Faith

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.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life,

breaking the power of sin and evil,

delivering us from death to life eternal.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN 611 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee***

## 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](http://starmountpres.org) and [youtube.com/StarmountPres](https://youtube.com/StarmountPres)

### 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.

**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.

**Special musical guests on May 8** – 1aChord is a singing group of 3 young men from UNCG. They met on campus, formed their group, and 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 treat!

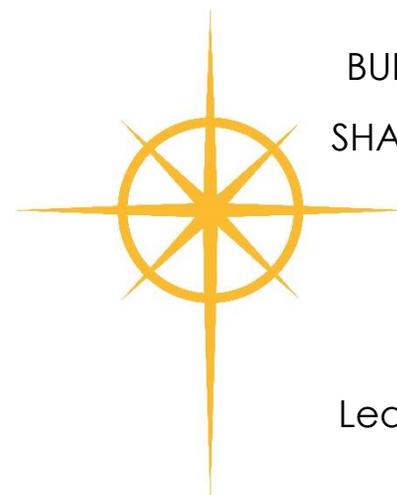
**Pine Straw** – If you are interested in purchasing pine straw with proceeds from the sale benefiting future mission trips, please contact Neil Huffman at [mnhuff@earthlink.net](mailto:mnhuff@earthlink.net).

**Congregational Gathering, May 15** – Following the worship service Ministry Leaders will share each Ministry purpose. Come and discover where you belong! For more information check out our Way Forward Wall in the Narthex.



## Welcome to Sunday Worship

April 24, 2022 · 10:00 a.m.



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SHARING HOPE THROUGH SERVICE  
INSPIRING FAITH IN GOD

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