

August 14, 2022

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING MUSIC

HYMN 215

What Wondrous Love Is This

HYMN 192

Shine, Jesus, Shine

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

God has called us like Moses in the wilderness,
the prophets in the hills, and the disciples in the cities.

They shared their blessings so that we might know God's presence here.

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely.

Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

God is faithful from generation to generation.

Let us praise our faithful God.

OPENING MUSIC

SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION Hebrews 12: 1 - 2

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we are called to be a joyful people, giving thanks for You and Your good gifts. There are times, however, when sin and sorrow grow, pushing joy to the side. We lose sight of Your grace, and instead fall into despair. We are consumed by loss, distracted by stuff, and crippled with fear. We focus on our lack, rather than Your love. Lift our eyes, Lord Jesus, and renew our joy in You. Remind us that: in Your sacrifice is our forgiveness, in

**Your death is our resurrection, in Your coming is our joy!
Through Christ we pray, Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

HYMN 724

O Jesus, I Have Promised

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 11: 29 – 34, 12: 1 - 3

SERMON

"Anchors of Our Faith 2" Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

ANTHEM

May the Lord Watch Over You
Ruth Elaine Schram
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

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 sitteth 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 846

Fight the Good Fight

BENEDICTION

Announcements

Flowers returning in September – Flowers in the Sanctuary will be returning in September! Arrangements will cost between \$55 - \$60 per Sunday. If you are interested in reserving a Sunday, please contact Jinny Buchanan at (336) 549-4674, jinybug@mindspring.com or call the office.



**Welcome to Sunday
Worship**

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