

August 7, 2022

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING MUSIC

HYMN 693

Though I May Speak

HYMN 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

By faith, we trust that we were created in the image of God.

By faith, we hope and dream and make plans.

By faith, we face our fears and insecurities.

By faith, we till the soil of our lives and plant seeds of love.

By faith, we follow where God leads.

By faith, we trust that God is present in our midst.

By faith, we gather in this place to worship God together.

OPENING MUSIC

SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, We are not always people who live by faith. We know that we were created in your image, but we treat ourselves and each other in ways that do not honor your presence within us. We know your laws and your commandments, but we choose to disobey you and to act in ways that harm our neighbors. We hear your call to reach out to those most in need, but instead, we turn our backs on them and on you. Forgive us, O God, and help us day by day to become more faithful followers and the people you created us to be. In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

What we have hoped for is true. What we cannot see has been made known. God's forgiveness is certain and sure. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

HYMN 838

Standing on the Promises

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 11: 1 – 3, 8 - 12

SERMON

"Anchors of Our Faith"

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

ANTHEM

We Are the Hands of Christ, Joel Raney

Starmount Section Leaders

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 Confession of 1967

The Lord's Supper is a celebration of the reconciliation of people with God and with one another, in which they joyfully eat and drink together at the table of their Savior. Jesus Christ gave his church this remembrance of his dying for sinners so that by participation in it they have communion with him and with all who shall be gathered to him. Partaking in him as they eat the bread and drink the wine in accordance with Christ's appointment, they receive from the risen and living Lord the benefits of his death and resurrection. They rejoice in the foretaste of the kingdom which he will bring to consummation at his promised coming, and go out from the Lord's Table with courage and hope for the service to which he has called them.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION MUSIC

HYMN 321

The Church's One Foundation (verses 1,2,4,5)

BENEDICTION

Announcements

Stuff the Bus - The Mission Ministry and the Children & Youth Ministry are collecting school supplies for elementary, middle, and high school students. Please take a hand, apple, heart, or backpack from the bus in the narthex to help these students start the new school year on the right foot. Items need to be returned to the church by Sunday, August 14th.

The new 988 mental health hotline is live and here's what to know - People experiencing a mental health crisis have a new way to reach out for help in the U.S. They can **simply call or text the numbers 9-8-8**. Modeled after 911, the new three-digit 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is designed to be a memorable and quick number that connects people who are suicidal or in any other mental health crisis to a trained mental health professional.



**Welcome to Sunday
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