

March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

CALL TO WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

HYMN 188

Jesus Loves Me!

HYMN 627

I Love You, Lord

GATHERING PRAYER

Father God, Your extravagant love has called us together. Long before we even knew You, You already knew us, and had chosen us to be part of Your own family - sisters and brothers with our Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

What amazing love You have shown toward us! And so we come before You with praise and thanksgiving, offering You the worship of our hearts and lives, and opening ourselves to the prompting and leading of Your Holy Spirit.

Receive our worship—our praise and prayers and offerings - through the intercession of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

May the time we spend here in Your presence bring honor and glory to Your Name.
Amen.

OPENING MUSIC

SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Kyrie Eleison

(Silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

RESPONSE

HYMN 791 v. 3 & 6

For You, My God, I Wait

If you should list my faults, the sins of heart and hand, like sleepless ones who groan at dawn I know I could not stand!

O God, you are my hope; I know that you forgive. Your love redeems me from the depths so I may rise and live.

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

***HYMN 451**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 9: 9 - 13

SERMON

"A Place at the Table"

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

ANTHEM

O Rest in the Lord

From Elijah, by Felix Mendelssohn

Evyne Franklin, soloist

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

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 A Brief Statement 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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION MUSIC

As the Deer

Arr. By Martin Nystrom

Jada Poteat, soloist

***HYMN 506**

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!

BENEDICTION

***Please stand in body or spirit**

*The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of June Fristoe by her son Roger Fristoe.

Announcements

Thank you for joining us for worship this Sunday! We hope you will find it to be an uplifting and meaningful experience. If you are a **guest or visitor**, we invite you to stop by our information desk in the Narthex (entry space). We have a gift for you as well as some information about our wonderful community of faith. If you feel comfortable sharing your contact information, we invite you to also fill out a visitor card.

Families with young children are invited to stop by the children's corner in the Narthex. Here you can check in your children for nursery care and staff can direct you to our downstairs classrooms. There are also worship/activity bags available.

"Meeting Jesus at the Table" Lent Book Study – Join us for one of our two book studies offered each week. We will meet in the conference room on Sundays @ 11:30 am and Wednesdays @ 8:30 am.

In-Home Gatherings – Join one of our In-Home Gatherings during Lent. Host homes, days & times are posted in the Narthex for you to sign up.

The **Spring Preschool Consignment Sale** is happening **March 9 – 11**. If you are interested in volunteering or being a consigner, please email starmountpreschoolsale@gmail.com.

Legacy & Estate Planning Workshop - Join us for lunch and the conversation on how to be a blessing here. On Sunday, March 19, following the worship service at 11:00 am, Olanda Carr, Jr., Ministry Relations Officer, Presbyterian Foundation, will discuss:

- How to discern your own legacy
- How to share that message with the church and those you love, and
- How to make a planned gift to continue your ministry here

Use the QR code to the right to register for this event:



39th Annual Bach's Lunch will be held **March 20 – 24** at 12:15 pm in the Sanctuary. Please check your emails for the lineup of artists performing.

Join us on **Palm Sunday, April 2**, for finger foods and light refreshments following worship! We will have crafts for kids, "Holy Week at Home" resources, and fellowship for all ages!

Holy Week & Easter Schedule –

- Maundy Thursday, April 6 – Communion Service at 5:30 pm
- Good Friday, April 7 – Stations of the Cross begins at Noon
- Easter Sunday, April 9 – Sunrise Service at 6:45 am
- Easter Sunday, April 9 – Worship Service at 10:00 am



Starmount Presbyterian Church Program Staff

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee, Pastor

Rev. Scott Lawson, Parish Associate

Jada Poteat, Interim Director of Music

Michael Parker, Pianist/Organist

Cindy Lee, Director of Children's Ministries

Laura Roberson Hadas, Director of Youth & Refugee Ministries

Welcome to Sunday Worship
March 5, 2023 · 10:00 a.m.