

September 10, 2023

Reconnect Sunday

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**GATHERING MUSIC**

*10,000 Reasons*

**PRAYER**

**OPENING MUSIC**

**SEEKING GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and Merciful God,**

**We confess to you our forgetfulness.**

**We confront today our waywardness.**

**We accept Lord that we are sinful.**

**To turn to our past is to recall both your great acts of love and kindness...**

**as well as many moments and situations where we know we failed you.**

**Even still... your love remains.**

**And so in humility we pray**

**We ask you to forgive.**

**We ask Lord that you would heal.**

**Renew us with the strength that only you can give.**

**Reveal yourself to us again as a God of grace...**

**Rich in mercy, patient with our wandering.**

**As far as the rising sun is from the setting sun,**

**remove our sin from us. Amen.**

**(Silent prayers)**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

**RESPONSE**

**HYMN 444**

*Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive*

**CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION**

**HYMN 529**

*Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 28: 16 - 20

**SERMON**

*"Great Commission Congregation"*

Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee

**ANTHEM**

*How Can I Keep From Singing?*

By Greg Gilpin

**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](http://starmountpres.org).

**LITANY FOR CONNECTION**

**And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me,**

It is because of Christ example that we want to build community.

It is because of Christ's love that we connect with each other.

**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,**

Build communities of all languages and peoples,

Befriend others regardless of differences.

**baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,**

Remember your own baptism,

That in that moment you were grafted into the family of God

**and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.**

Share life with one another.

Study, pray, worship and play as a community.

**And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.**

We do not walk alone,

God connects all, is in all, and will be glorified through all.

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

**HYMN 501**

*Feed Us, Lord*

**HYMN 336**

*We Gather Together*

**BENEDICTION**

**\*Please stand in body or spirit**

**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.

**Reconnect Sunday (formerly Welcome Home Sunday)** – Join us **TODAY**, for Reconnect Sunday. All are invited to stay after worship for a time of fellowship. There will be refreshments, games and activities for kids and an opportunity to learn new ways to connect as a community!

**Please pick up a flyer today to invite a friend or neighbor to our events this week!**

**Parking Lot Concert** – Join us on **Friday, September 15 at 6 pm** for an evening of fellowship and music in the parking lot. Stamey's BBQ, water, lemonade, and a performance by Jack Gorham will be highlights of this evening. More information on Jack can be found in your weekly email.

**Just Lunch** – Join us after worship on **Sunday, September 17**, for lunch at K & W Cafeteria. Visitors are welcome as our guests. Children are welcome as well!

**Interested in a book study, Bible study, or just a time to gather and learn more about your faith in a small group?** Come by and visit the Inspire Faith table in the narthex today to review materials and register your interest.

**Starmount Presbyterian Youth (SPY)** activities for the month of September:

**September 17** – Parent & Youth Meeting, meet briefly in Laura's office to talk about SPY this school year! If you're not able to attend, but want more information please let Laura know.

**September 29** - GHS Tailgate, find Laura in the parking lot before heading into the football game! She will have food and drinks. Bring your friends! Contact Laura for additional information [laura@starmountpres.org](mailto:laura@starmountpres.org)

**Plastics Recycling** –The Earth Care team is working with the NexTrex recycling program from August through January to collect plastic waste. Accepted items can be found on the box and in your weekly email.

### **Starmount Presbyterian Church Program Staff**

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Rev. Dr. Charlie Lee, Pastor

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