



## Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)

April 16, 2023  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Order of Worship

Prelude 2 *Because You Live, O Christ* VRUECHTEN

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing* O FILI ET FILIAE

+Call to Worship

One: The good news resounds:

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

One: We celebrate the God who is our refuge.

**All: In God's presence there is gladness and rest.**

One: God is always before us;

**All: we shall not be shaken.**

+Opening Hymn #238 *Thine Is the Glory* JUDAS MACCABEUS

+Call to Confession

One: God shows us the path of life, offering companionship along the way. Therefore, we trust in God, knowing that we can admit the ways we struggle to stay on that path.

+Prayer of Confession *Unison*

**Embodied God, You pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us, imbuing us with the grace and patience that You have shown to us time and again. We experience Your presence, but are quick to judge those who do not believe as we do. We look down on those who ask for proof, we scorn those who scoff at our faith. Forgive us and soften our hearts.**

**Remind us of our own human doubts, that we might have compassion for all and freely share Your grace.** (Moment of Silence)

+Assurance of Pardon

One: God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us.

**All: Thanks be to God for such a hope. Alleluia!**

Offering

Offertory *You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!* WAYFARING STRANGER

+Doxology #606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

+Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music *How Great the Love* Mary Kay Beall

Prayer of Illumination

+Scripture Reading John 20:19-31 (Pew Bible, p. 115)

+Affirmation of Faith (Printed sheet in hymnal rack) The Apostle's Creed

+Gloria Patri #581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

Sermon "Behind Locked Doors" Rev. Ron McDougald

Prayer of the People and Lord's Prayer (**debts, debtors**)

+Sending Hymn #494 *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* QUEBEC

+Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Restore in Us, O God* BAYLOR

+Postlude *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord* REPTON

+ **Stand if you are able**

**WELCOME** to Starkville Presbyterian Church. We are grateful for your presence in worship this morning.

**PRAYER LIST.** Please keep the following in your prayers.  
Tornado and storm victims  
Additional prayer concerns are listed in the Prayer Journal found in the Swoope Room.

If you would like to add a request or remove one from the list, please contact Nancy Bryson (324-6320 or [nancybryson68@gmail.com](mailto:nancybryson68@gmail.com)) or Rev. Ron McDougald (601-942-8040 or [chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com](mailto:chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com))

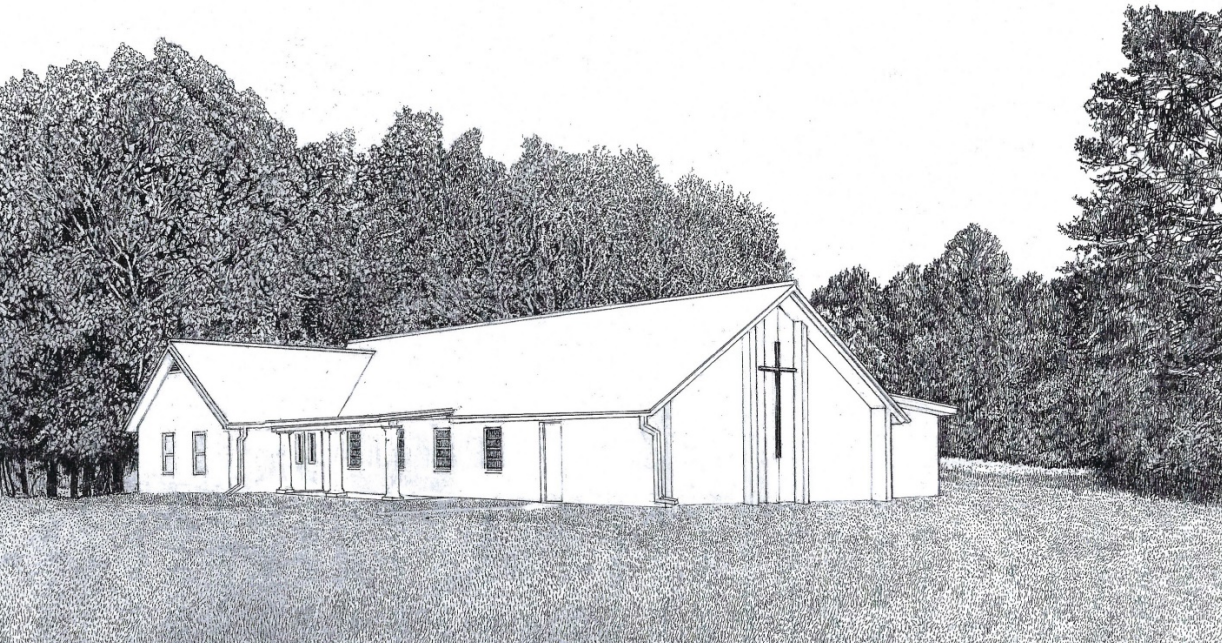
**ELDER OF THE MONTH.** The Elder of the Month for April is Richard Mullenax.

**PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY.** Come join the discussion and fellowship on Wednesdays at 10:30 in the Swoope Room. Check with Ron for a Study Guide!

**CHOIR.** Choir rehearsal will be on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the church.

**CASSEROLE KITCHEN.** Our congregation will be hosting Casserole Kitchen on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Items needed: Chicken Spaghetti (3 casseroles); String beans (cans at church); Fruit cocktail or some kind of fruit (2 or 3 people); Rolls or French Bread; Cookies; Tea. See the sign-up sheet or Pat Colwick to volunteer to help.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.** The Session has called for a Congregational Meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup> immediately following the worship service for the purpose of electing members of the Congregational Nominating Committee for 2023.



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