



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

July 30, 2023

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

Prelude *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens* HOLY MANNA

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *O Lord, Our God, How Excellent* WINCHESTER OLD

+Call to Worship

One: We seek the kin-dom of God:

All: where the smallest seeds turn into great plants.

One: We seek the kin-dom of God:

All: as precious as pearls or treasure.

One: We seek the kin-dom of God:

All: where joy and abundance reign.

+Opening Hymn #41 *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above* LYONS

+Call to Confession

One: We love God, and yet . . . We are Christ's disciples, and yet . . . We are guided by the Spirit, and yet . . . there are many ways we do not live this reality. Let us call upon the Spirit to intercede for us in our time of confession.

+Prayer of Confession *Unison*

One: Spirit, intercede . . .

All: when we fall short of Your glory, when we do not deserve Your promises, when we do not act like those who have been called Your family.

One: Spirit, intercede . . .

All: when our words wound, when our silence speaks volumes, when our actions are a far cry from what You would have us do.

One: Spirit, intercede . . .

All: break forth into our lives, forming us into the image of Your Son, that we might never feel separate from You again. (Moment of Silence)

+Assurance of Pardon

One: Beloved, hear this good news: God is for us. Not even our sins can separate us from the love of God.

All: Glory be to God for this grace and mercy!

Offering

Offertory *For the Fruit of All Creation* AR HYDY NOS

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

+Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music *God of the Sparrow* Carl F. Schalk

Prayer of Illumination

+Scripture Reading Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
(Pew Bible, p. 158; 14-15)

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

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

Sermon "Southern Bread" Rev. Dr. Tom Cheatham

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

+Sending Hymn #54 *Make a Joyful Noise to God!* DIX
Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive collection

+Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Sing Out with Joy to God Our Strength* SHEPHERDS' PIPES

+Postlude *O God, Who Gives Us Life* NOEL

+ **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:

Family of Elvis “Pee Wee” Kinard Stanley Kornegay
Tiernan O’Rourke Family of Peggy Raines

Family of Robert Stringer

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) or Rev. Ron McDougald (601-942-8040 or chaplain.mcdougald@gmail.com)

ELDER OF THE MONTH. The Elder of the Month for July is Pat Colwick.

WELCOME. Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Tom Cheatham as our worship leader.

CENTS-ABILITY (2¢-A-MEAL). The Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive will be collected today during the last hymn.

PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY. Come join the discussion and fellowship on Wednesday 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.

SESSION MEETING. The Session of Starkville Presbyterian Church (USA) will meet on **Thursday, August 3rd**, at the church. If you have items for the Session to consider please contact Elders Nancy Bryson, Pat Colwick, Susan Kuykendall, Anne McWhorter, or Richard Mullenax. You may also contact the Clerk Robert Green or Ron.

Session

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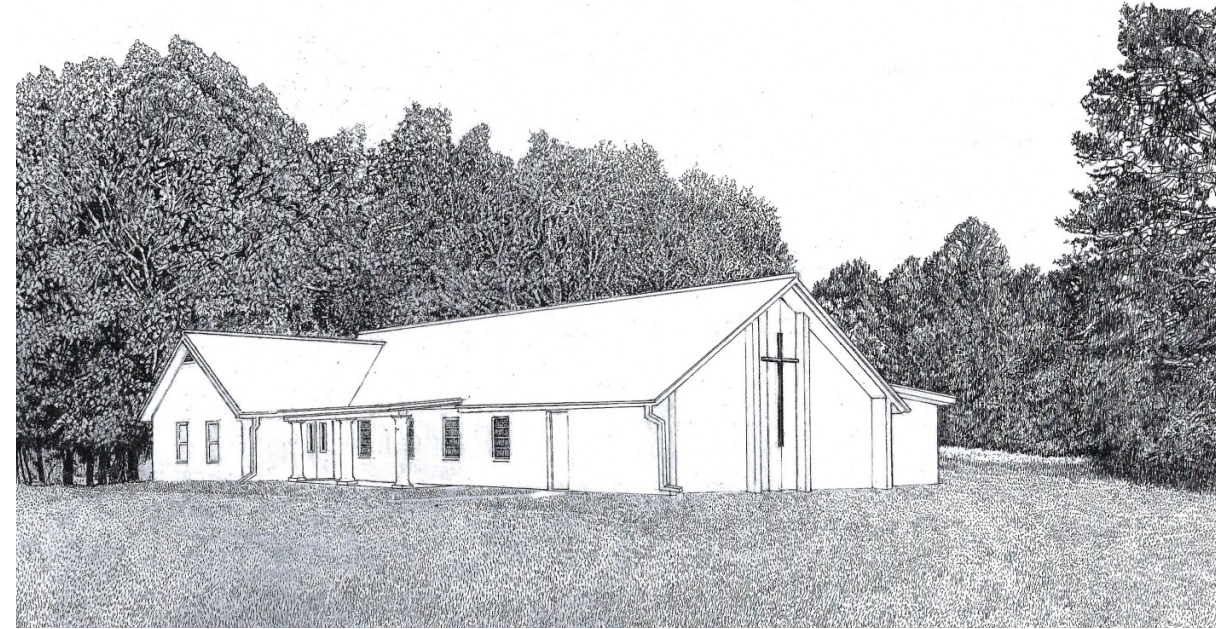
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