

GATHERING MUSIC

TRINITY CHIMES

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. John Odom

(Please take a moment to sign and pass the Friendship pad.)

MINUTE FOR MISSION Christmas Joy Offering

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION Rev. Kathryn Campbell

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES Richard, Susan, Karenna and Ry Porter

PENNIES FOR HUNGER OFFERING

"Jesus, Our Friend"

Je-sus our friend, Je-sus our friend, we see you help-ing a-
 O-pen our hearts, o-pen our hands, giv-ing and shar-ing with
 gain and a - gain. Je-sus our friend, Je-sus our friend,
 stran-ger and friend. O-pen our hearts, o - pen our hands,
 We see you help - ing a - gain and a - gain.
 thank God for bles-sings a - gain and a - gain.

(Children are dismissed to Church School: 3 - 4 year-olds in Room 214, and K - 4th graders in Room 204. Teachers will meet children in the rear of the sanctuary. Childcare for Infants – 2 years is in Room 212.)

OPENING SENTENCES

***PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL, 8** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gate*
 (verses 1 & 2)
 (Words are also projected.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Those who are able may stand.

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

In the Bleak Midwinter
 Composed and Arranged by Jon Brotherton

PROLOGUE "In the Bleak Midwinter"

FIRST LESSON Genesis 3:8-15

CAROL "Adam lay ybounden"

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

CAROL "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

THIRD LESSON Luke 1:26-35

CAROL "My Soul Magnifies The Lord"

FOURTH LESSON Matthew 1:18-25

CAROL "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

FIFTH LESSON Luke 2:8-16

CAROL "Angels We Have Heard on High"

SIXTH LESSON Matthew 2:1-11

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

CAROL "March of the Kings"
 Soloists: Logan Webber, Frank Burton and Bill Frisch

SEVENTH LESSON John 1:1-5, 14

CAROL "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

MEDITATION

CAROL "In the Bleak Midwinter"

PRAYER

***PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL, 8**
Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gate (verse 3 only)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

Narrators: Rev. Emily Enders Odom; Kevin Kattmann

Orchestra:
 Violin 1: Wendy Rawls
 Violin 2: Fabian Lopez
 Viola: Maureen Michels
 Cello: Evan Richey
 Bass: Virginia Massius
 Flute: Alicia Campbell
 Oboe: Thomas Pappas
 Piano: Michael Parker

Starmount Chancel Choir:

Soprano
 Jennifer Dowler
 Connie Fowler
 April Hamilton
 Nancy Jones
 Kris Kattmann
 Ann Osborne
 Rhonda Overman
 Mary Palmieri
 Carolyn Roberts
 Billie Toney
 Bunny Webber
 Robyn Zahand

Pat Hall
 Barbara Hochuli
 Margaret Parker
 Marilyn Tyson

Tenor
 Frank Burton
 Bob Finley
 John Odom
 Logan Webber
 Adam Zahand

Bass
 Ned Bryan
 Drake Dowler

Alto
 Carol Andresen
 Katherine Ardoin
 Ally Borland
 Jane Case
 Nan Goodson

Bill Frisch
 Bob Hochuli
 John Tyson
 Bill Webber
 Parks Williams

FLOWERS TODAY ARE GIVEN BY: Buddy and Katherine Poole in memory of their parents and in honor of their loved ones.

USHERS: Marshall Melton (Head); Betty Hankins, Nathaniel Odom, Brownie Owens, John Ratterree, Carter Walton, Steve Walton, Matt Winters

CHURCH OPENER: Steve Blackwood

CHURCH CLOSER: Marshall Melton

PRAYER CONCERNS

Vicki Winters (mother's death 12/6)

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES are available. Please contact an usher.

PROFESSIONAL CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE in Room 212 for children birth - 2 years during worship.

COMMON GROUNDS COFFEE CAFE serves free, fair - trade coffee and tea in the Gathering Space today from 8:45 -11:30 a.m.

PENNIES FOR HUNGER OFFERING is received on the 2nd Sunday of the month and is collected by the children during the conversation with children. The offering helps alleviate national and international hunger. It is administered through Salem Presbytery. Starmount's egg, pig and palm tree projects in the Congo receive funds through this offering.

STARMOUNT PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH: Middle School—5:30 - 7:00 p.m. This week we will stuff stockings. Bring \$3 and a friend. See you there.
Senior High—Cocoa and Carols. Dinner will be served at 5:30pm. Come and support the Grimsley High Schools Madrigals performance at Starmount Presbyterian at 7 p.m.

VISITORS RECEPTION: TODAY, 11:15 - noon in the Parlor. Anyone desiring to find out more about Starmount Church is encouraged to attend this informal and informative gathering. There will be a **NEW MEMBERS CLASS** on Sunday, December 18 at 9 a.m. in room 315 for those desiring to unite in service with Starmount through profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of church letter.

FAITH 319 - CHRISTMAS PICK 3: Hit the jackpot with the Faith 319 Adult Sunday School Class studying the Christmas stories told in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, through **December 18**, 9-9:50 a.m., room 319. Pastor John teaching.

GRIMSLEY HIGH SCHOOL MADRIGAL CHOIR at Starmount **TONIGHT**, 7p.m.

MARKET STREET BRASS at Starmount Friday, **December 16**, 7p.m.

HONOR CARDS and other items from Habitat for Humanity, Greensboro Urban Ministry, the Congo Egg Farm and Family Promise make thoughtful gifts! Get yours in the Narthex during Advent. Contact Pat Hall at 292-9544 for more information.

ANGEL TREE: in the lobby helps Starmount provide Christmas gifts for several needy families in our community. Choose an Angel ornament tag from the tree with a specific item to buy. Wrap the item, attach the tag and return to the tree by the requested date. Thank you for helping with this project.

YOUNG ADULT FESTIVUS (Christmas Party): **Saturday, December 17**, 6:30 p.m. at Libbi & Jason Gundakers. Email Pastor Kathryn for more Details at Kathryn@starmountpres.org.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: Thursday, December 22— 6 p.m. meet at the church. 7:30 p.m. dinner at Elizabeth's Pizza on West Market St. Come and carol with us; stay for dinner or just meet us for dinner. Cost of dinner is on your own. We will use the church bus.

CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER: All are invited for this family-style dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 5:15 p.m. The meal is free of charge, but bring canned goods or a monetary donation for the Urban Ministry Food Pantry. Please RSVP to Pastor Kathryn (kathryn@starmountpres.org) or sign up at the Welcome Center desk by December 16. **Reservations Required.**

THIS WEEK AT STARMOUNT

SUNDAY, December 11

Pennies for Hunger

9:00 a.m. Sunday School / VIP's
10:00 a.m. Worship / Children's Sunday School
11:10 a.m. Children's Rehearsal
11:15 a.m. Caring Comm. - 315
11:15 a.m. Confirmation 2012 - 319
11:30 a.m. Visitors Reception-Parlor
12:00 p.m. C.E. Committee - 400
4:00 p.m. Youth & Young Adult Comm. - Parlor
5:30 p.m. SPY! Meetings
7:00 p.m. Bridge Group
7:00 p.m. Grimsley Madrigals

MONDAY, December 12

12:00 p.m. Rachel's Circle at Bravos
10:30 a.m. Sarah's Circle - Parlor

TUESDAY, December 13

10:00 a.m. Program Staff - 414
11:30 a.m. Office Staff - 414
1:00 p.m. Staff Christmas Party - Parlor
12:00 p.m. Ruth's Circle - at Barbara Spencers
5:15 p.m. Communications Comm. - 414
6:00 p.m. Mary's Circle - Meet at Sears; dinner at Bravo, 7pm
6:30 p.m. Martha's Circle - covered dish at Nancy Jones

WEDNESDAY, December 14

9:15 a.m. Preschool Com - 319
6:00 p.m. Blue Handbells
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, December 15

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Gathering Space
9:00 a.m. Star Press Mailed-414
11:30 a.m. Higher Ground Min.

FRIDAY, December 16

7:00 p.m. Market Street Brass Advent Concert

SATURDAY, December 17

6:30 p.m. Young Adult Festivus Party at the Gundakers

LOOKING AHEAD-December 18

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POUND CAKES FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR THE HOMELESS:

Starmount is providing pound cakes for the Christmas dinner for homeless individuals in our community. **Please bring them to church by December 22**, and make sure they are marked "for Bender's Christmas dinner." We will cut and bag the cakes on December 23 at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Those who wish to do so may cut your cake(s) in slices ahead of time, put in individual sandwich-size bags and place them in a larger freezer bag in the church freezer.

COLLEGE CHRISTMAS PARTY: College students (and parents, please tell your college students!) that the College Christmas gathering is **Wednesday, December 21**, at 6:30 pm at the home of Carter Walton. For more information, please ask Pastor Kathryn.

December 11, 2011 • 10:00 a.m.

Rev. John L. Odom, Pastor
Rev. Kathryn G.N. Campbell, Associate Pastor
Cynthia Pugh, Parish Visitor
Robert Overman, Director of Music Ministries
Michael Parker, Organist

Starmount Presbyterian Church welcomes you! We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's house with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite guests to join us, but most of all, to return often.

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