

February 25, 2011

A Word from Pastor Eric

One thing I've learned about our Church over the past four years is how busy we are—both as a congregation and as individuals. While it's nice to be active and it has been exciting to see our Church programs develop and thrive, there is also a need for us to be careful about taking on too much or losing our focus. As a consequence, I've been working with our staff and the Session to develop a simple, clear vision for what we do as a Church and how we do it.

Over the years, we have accumulated various statements of vision, mission, and purpose. These things are good, but have not necessarily been memorable or thoroughly consistent. And so the Session has approved a new statement of purpose that is simultaneously our mission statement and a simple description of our process for making disciples. It is built on the Paths to Growth around which our ministry has been centered and takes into account our current council structure. The statement is as follows:

Inviting to Worship – Learning in Community – Serving as Stewards

This isn't meant to be yet another statement that gets put on the shelf and forgotten but rather a clear, memorable articulation of who we are and what we do that will guide us as we move into the future. But what does it mean? Basically, we see the process of spiritual growth involving three movements that will continue as an ongoing cycle.

Inviting to Worship. We invite people into a worshipful relationship with God, even as we ourselves are invited into a deeper relationship with God through worship. This will be accomplished

as our Invitation Council equips us to invite others into the life of the Church and, consequently, into relationship with God. The Worship Council will be working to deepen our experience of worship in both regular and special services as well as in our daily lives.

Learning in Community. This serves as the clear next step for spiritual growth beyond attending worship. Beginning in the fall, we will offer opportunities for people to learn about their faith and how to live faithfully through a revitalized small group ministry. Instead of offering competing adult education classes, we will accomplish the task of adult learning through small groups offered during three terms a year, with a month off between trimesters. People will be invited to sign up for groups each trimester based on their interests, meaning that there will be a definite start and end date for each small-group experience. Each trimester, you could choose to join a group with the same people, or you could choose a different group. You could also take a trimester off. One trimester a year, we'll have a Church-wide study of the same topic (as we've been doing during Lent for the past three years); but the other trimesters will include a variety of topics and formats. Members will have a chance to suggest topics, although all study topics will need to be approved by the pastors and the Session. This process will be overseen by the Community Council in coordination with the Learning Council. Of course, we will continue existing Community Council/deacon programs such as the Elderberries and all of the ministries by which we care for members who are homebound, hospitalized, or in distress. Likewise, this process will not change anything about the structure of the Presby groups or Presbyterian Women. Our learning ministries with children and youth will continue to build on the momentum they have already achieved under the guidance of the Learning Council. The big shift will come with the reliance on small groups as our main vehicle for adult learning, fellowship, and care.

Serving as Stewards. As we worship God and learn together, we are called to give back to God through our work in the Church and in the world. Whether it is through serving on a council, committee, or work group, whether you are visiting the sick



or serving as an usher, whether you are working as a small group leader or providing financial support to the Church, these are all ways of serving as stewards. Using our gifts to serve is the essential third step in the process of growing to spiritual maturity. The Service Council and the Stewardship Council will oversee this part of the process.

What it all boils down to is that, ideally, each able Church member would do three things—and only three things: worship, learn in community, and serve as a steward. Our goal is simplicity, clarity, and purposeful movement. We want both our current and future members to know what our vision and growth processes are. In turn, this should help us become more focused in what we do, avoid leader burnout, and keep us from asking too much of people. How the transition to this process will work out is yet to be fully discovered. No doubt there will be bumps in the road. But our hope is that clarity and simplicity will be a blessing to our current members and as well as an aid to our future growth and mission. Please be in prayer for your Church leaders as we work out the details of this new, clear, simple direction.

Your Companion on the Journey,
Pastor Eric

PS Feel free to call me if you have any questions about what we are trying to do or about its impact on our ministry.

The Path of Worship



Worship Schedule

8:30 and 11 a.m., with Sunday School,
9:45 to 10:45 a.m., for all ages

Sermon and Liturgical Schedule

March 6 Pastor Megan preaching
Communion

March 9 Ash Wednesday:
7 p.m. Taize Worship
Psalm 51:1-17



2 Corinthians
5:20b-6:10
Pastor Megan leading
Communion by intinction

March 13 *Five Fruitful Practices:
Radical Hospitality*
Pastor Eric preaching

4 p.m. Service for Wholeness
Pastor Jackie leading

March 20 *Five Fruitful Practices:
Passionate Worship*
Pastor Eric preaching

11:00 a.m. Youth Worship,
Community Room

March 27 *Five Fruitful Practices:
Intentional Faith Development*
Pastor Eric preaching

Your Southminster Fortune Cookie: Manage your resources as well as Noah did: He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

Steps on The Path of Worship

Did you know that parts of each week's worship service, including the sermon, can be viewed online via Southminster's Facebook page? So, whether you are out of town for a weekend, for a season (such as snowbirds), or away at college for the school year, you can watch/hear all of the sermons at Southminster. Join Facebook, and look for us under *Southminster Presbyterian Church, Dayton, Ohio*.

The texts of Pastor Eric's recent Sunday sermons are also posted on the Southminster website: www.sminster.com under *The Path of Worship*.

Faith Book Tip: Today let us persist in our efforts to understand one another and find love in our hearts for all who touch our lives, for a today well lived is a vision of hope for all tomorrows.

In our daily New Testament readings for this past month, Jesus referred to himself as the *I Am*. Billy Graham has written that Moses took off his sandals at the burning bush because he was standing on holy ground. God spoke to him there, saying, "Tell

them I Am that I Am.” What does *I Am* mean? It means I am eternally existent; I never had a beginning, and I will never have an end. In John 8:58, Jesus said, “Before Abraham was, I Am.” Jesus Christ our Lord is the *I Am*, the One who has no beginning and no end.

Dr. Allison Krahling Seed, Daughter of Southminster

Dr. Allison Krahling Seed, the first daughter of our congregation to be ordained into the ministry (here at Southminster in June 1977), has been named the Regional Representative for Presbyterian Retirements. Her area will be all of New England and New Jersey, and she will be based in the home office in Philadelphia.

A Centerville High School graduate and a *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Duke University, Allison earned her master's of divinity degree from Princeton Seminary and her doctor of ministry degree from Erskine Theological Seminary. She served on the General Assembly Council of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) from 2001 to 2008, serving as chair in 2006 and 2007. She has just resigned from her ministry at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Independence, Missouri, where she served as pastor for 15 years. During that time, Allison was the moderator of Heartland Presbytery (eastern Kansas and western Missouri), on many committees and commissions for the Synod of Mid-America, and chair of the Independence Ministerial Association. As a past college chaplain at Furman College and Lander College, she served on the executive board and was treasurer of the Presbyterian College Chaplains Association. She was the full-time pastor of Ninety-Six Presbyterian Church in South Carolina and has served several churches as interim pastor. She has served on many committees at the national level of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), working at times with the late Bob Kienzle, and served on the General Assembly Council with Dr. Paul Masquelier, a former associate pastor of Southminster.

Allison spoke briefly here last February about growing up in our Church. She is the mother of two adult children: Andrew, a Yale graduate practicing law in New York City; and Noelle, a graduate of the University of Colorado and holding a master's degree as well, who is presently studying at the Albuquerque School of Acupuncture. Allison is the daughter of Southminster member Florence Krahling and the late Ed Krahling.

The Path of Learning



Lenten Small Groups, Sponsored by the Learning Council and the Community Council

Forty Days of Fruitful Living: Practicing a Life of Grace by Robert Schnase from Abingdon Press, will be used as a daily reading/devotional resource during Lent, the days from Ash Wednesday through Palm Sunday. The book may be purchased in the Narthex following worship services or through the Church Office; the cost is \$8. There are many opportunities to be a part of a small group, and **you are encouraged to participate!**

- Sunday mornings, 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.
 - Leaders Steve Davis and Carolyn Kennedy in the Hospitality Room
 - Leader Ryan Battelle in the Adult Lounge
- Sunday evenings
 - 5 to 6:10 p.m. with Pastor Megan
 - 5:30 to 6:20 p.m. with Jeanne McIver (if needed)
- Monday mornings, 11 a.m., with Lois Thorp
- Tuesday mornings, 8 a.m., with Pastor Eric, at Panera Bread, Centerville
- Tuesday afternoons, 2 p.m., with Colleen Reynolds
- Wednesdays, 12 noon, with Pastor Jackie (bring your lunch)
- Wednesday evenings, 7 to 8 p.m., with Ken Morse
- Saturday mornings, 9 to 10 a.m., with Drew Fisher.

Classes begin after Ash Wednesday and continue for five weeks. Topics will cover the five practices that lead to more fruitful living: radical hospitality, passionate worship, intentional faith development, risk-taking mission and service, and extravagant generosity. The sermon series in worship will map to the weekly topics. Sign up now! Call the Church Office, 433.1810.

WOW! It's Logos Reminder

Remember that WOW! takes a break on March 9 for Ash Wednesday. You are encouraged to attend the Taize Ash Wednesday service at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. There will be no meal that evening. Children are invited to join Jill Parker and Pastor Jackie for a special Ash Wednesday time created just for them! Nursery care for the younger children is also available.

Young Children

The nursery and preschool Sunday School room were deep cleaned on Saturday, February 27. Cindy Battelle and the Young Children's Committee of the Learning Council provided the "to-do" list and leadership. One of our Child Care Workers, Ashley Reazer, will be getting married in June and will be leaving the area. Our young children and many parents will miss Ashley but wish her well in this new chapter of her life.

Children

Children in grades K-5 will be learning about the Feeding of the Five Thousand from March 6 through March 27. The workshops will be as follows: art with Cheryl Gier, Bible puzzles and games with Irene Tipword, computer with Sharon Bond, and cooking with Karen Kronson.

Special Coffee Hour on Easter

On Easter, April 24, there will be a special coffee hour from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. in the CFC. Enjoy hot cross buns while you delight in presentations by the Children's Choir, the Children's Chimes, and the PB'n'J Puppets. **Bring your friends!**



Youth Ministry

Join us for **Youth Worship and Fellowship** on Sunday, March 20! Youth Worship starts at 11 a.m. in the Community Room. Then stick around to go to the **Super Happy Fun Lunch!** We head to different houses for appetizers, salad, main dish, and dessert. Let Pastor Megan know if you want to host one of the stops. A **top-secret guest** will be joining us for the lunch, so be sure to be there!

WOW! It's Logos will take a break on March 9 for Ash Wednesday, but come to worship in the Sanctuary at 7 p.m. that evening. At WOW! on March 2, 16, and 23, we will talk about dating and relationships. Come for fun games, great conversation,

and the most **awesomest** youth group on the planet. (That's right—the most awesomest!)

Montreat is coming! Students finishing grades 8 through 12 can mark their calendars for July 10-16 to go to Montreat!



Family Ministry

Date Night meets again on Friday, March 18, with child care provided for all ages. We typically meet as couples from 6:30-7 p.m., and then you head out for a date with your spouse until 9. This month, come at 5 p.m. and bring an appetizer to share with the group and to hang out together!

Have you signed up for a **small group for Lent?** Join Pastor Megan's group meeting on Sunday evenings from 5 to 6:10 p.m.—designed specifically for families.

Preschool Story Time has moved! Pastor Megan will meet with the preschoolers during Mom to Mom on the fourth Friday of the month. Bring your preschooler to join us on Friday, March 25, at 10 a.m.

M M: R & R (Men's Message: Read and Reflect)

When we acknowledge Christ as our Lord, we must also acknowledge that he is also the Lord in all our life. He is Lord not just in religious things but in all parts of our being. We must do all we can to lead others to Christ. And simultaneously we must do everything we can to prevent the loss of humanness in our society. We have a responsibility to act with care for the people around us—every day.

Becoming the Parent God Wants You to Be

But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." – 1 Samuel 16:7.

In this passage, Samuel thinks that Eliab, Jesse's oldest son, was the chosen one to take down Goliath. However, we soon learn that the Lord has chosen David, Jesse's youngest son. A servant describes David as one who plays the harp and is a

brave man and a warrior. *He speaks well and is a fine-looking man. And the Lord is with him.* – 1 Samuel 16:18. The most important aspect of this passage is that the servant recognized that the Lord was with David.

How often do we look at someone's outward appearance and make assumptions before we even have a chance to see what's in his or her heart? Perhaps your child has felt that way: people making assumptions about them before they have even had a chance to know them first. I found the following saying many years ago, and it still holds true: *No matter whether you are short or tall doesn't determine your size at all. You are measured by the width of your grin and the depth and breadth of what is within.* God sees our hearts. He knows what is within us. And perhaps it is our jobs as parents to help our children understand that what is truly important is what's in your heart, what you are thinking about, and what motivates you to do the right thing when you are faced with temptation.

God uses the least likely to accomplish great things. David was the least likely to overcome Goliath; yet he stood taller and more powerful than Goliath because of what was in his heart. He had a profound sense of confidence that God was with him, and he knew good would triumph over evil.

It is our job as parents to help our children overcome adversity by making sure that they are focused in the right direction. Is your heart rooted in bitterness, deceit, and anger—or is it rooted in confidence and courage knowing that you can do all things through the Lord, who gives you strength. That is the question that we must help our children to answer. *The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song.* – Psalm 28:7.

Peace,
Priscilla Stapleton

The Path of Community

Remember in your prayers...

Hospital: Bob Jones

At Home or Care Facility: Bernard Baker, Pat Custer, Mary Gibson, Charles Heavner (Priscilla Stapleton's brother), Martha Kienzle, The Kirby Family, Jackie Lindsey, Melita Minnis, Kent Mueller, Virgin-



ia Peterson, Janice Short, Dorothy Shumaker, Bill Sutherland, Wanda Tapp, and Howard Tegtmeier.

Living with cancer: Roger Carlyle (Jackie Lindsey's father), Cordie Ellen (Barbara Metcalf's sister), Mary Elrod (Linda Meily's sister-in-law), Jackie Geary, Lou Giannelli, Linda Meily, and Joe Pasanchin (Pastor Eric's father).

Military: Jeff Amos (Germany; Jim and Gay Amos' nephew), Ben Barlow (Qatar; Jerry and Mary Stahley's son-in-law), Joanna Fisher (Qatar; Joyce Fisher's daughter), Brian Jones (Afghanistan; Robert and Gladys Jones' grandson), Sean Leibrock (Okinawa; Kevin and Patricia Lawler's son), Jason Nilsen (Korea; friend of Robyn Kleinschmidt), Brian Vaughn (Germany; Charlotte Mort's son), and Dan and Patrick Yost (Afghanistan; Betty Yost's grandsons).

Our sympathy:

- To Peggy Stichter and family in the death of her mother-in-law Gladyce Stichter who died January 22.
- To Jackie Lindsey and family in the death of Jackie's husband Daryl, who died on January 24, 2011. A memorial service was held at Southminster on February 3 with Pastors Eric Pasanchin and Jackie Nowak officiating.
- To Cindi Allison and family in the death of Cindi's father Leon McCorkle, who died on February 2.
- To Pat Custer and family in the death of Pat's husband Jim, who died on February 3. A funeral service was held on February 7 with Pastors Eric Pasanchin and Megan Collins officiating.
- To the family of Mary Hackman (formerly Mary Carmichael, widow of Dick Carmichael), who passed away February 22.

Service for Wholeness, Sunday, March 13

A special worship service for wholeness will be held in the Sanctuary at 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 13. Come, experience meditative music, the Psalms and other Scripture, and prayerful moments. Candles may be lit in memory of loved ones and for concerns of the heart. Stephen Ministers will be available to pray individually with worshippers, and Pastor Jackie will offer personal prayer and anointing with oil for those wishing these blessings.

Seminar on *The Dying Process* Offered by Stephen Ministry

The Greater Dayton Stephen Ministry Network and Southminster's Stephen Ministry team invite you to a learning program titled *The Dying Process: Its Impact on Patients, Families, and Caregivers*. Bernadine Parks, Director of Pathways of Hope at Hospice of Dayton, will lead the session on Sunday, March 27, 3 to 5 p.m., at Providence Lutheran Church in Brookville.

Everyone is welcome! For reservations, please e-mail Marj Lawson at lawsonqm@aol.com or call 434.8614 by March 15.

Rummage Sale by Presbyterian Women of Southminster, March 24-26

News alert!

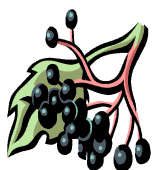
The rummage sale is coming soon. There'll be lots of goodies in our big room.

We need your help again this year—
We can't do it alone, but never fear.
You gals and guys are always great,
So let's remember the important dates.
Bring your rummage the Monday before,
And in the CFC we'll store
All your lovely things to place
On tables, arrange, and mark for sale.
We'll need soup, pies, and cakes.
I know we have gals who love to bake.
So sign up to say that you will help.
If you do, Barbara will let out a big yelp!
Thank you.



Pat Custer

Elderberries



Elderberries will meet on Friday, March 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the CFC. Lunch is \$5 (but, if you need help with the cost, see Pastor Jackie). Sign up at The Path of Community table in the Narthex or at the table outside the Church Office—or call the Church at 433.1810. If you have program ideas you wish to share, just write *Call* next to your name or indicate this when phoning; and a member of the Elderberries team will contact you for details.

Home Communion

Each month, pairs of Elders and Deacons take home Communion to members who are unable to attend congregational worship. If you or someone you know would like to be put on our home Communion receiver list, please contact Pastor Jackie at 433.1810 or Jackie@sminster.com.

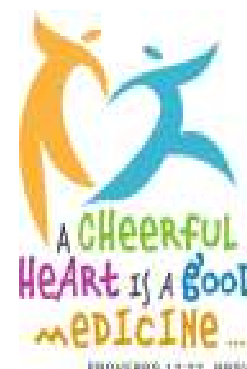


Sanctuary Flower Delivery Team

When flowers are not taken home by the donors, the Sanctuary Flower Delivery team of the Compassion and Assistance Committee delivers bouquets to members of Southminster who are homebound or who need cheer.

To those who have donated their flowers for delivery this past year, we gratefully thank you. We have been able to deliver 102 bouquets of flowers since March 2010. The joy this ministry brings to people of our congregation who need uplifting is tangible in their smiles and expressed appreciation. The visit and the flowers make their day! We are grateful to William, Gail, and Joe Conger; Diana Grooms and daughters; Roxanna Laycox; Nancy Millhouse; Frank Nagy; and Phyllis Strayer for their faithfulness in making these "special deliveries."

Carolyn Nagy,
Sanctuary Flower Delivery Coordinator



CareNotes

Anger. The very word makes us pause; yet, to be human is to know anger. Anger can have some positive aspects; but we are usually more familiar with the destructive forms it can take: physical and emotional violence, depression, and even illness. Understanding anger and suggestions on how to deal with it are subjects presented in the little CareNotes booklet titled Dealing with Anger, which may be found in the CareNotes display rack in the Narthex. There are two other CareNotes display racks—one in the Community Room and the other outside the Church Office. Each display contains different free, helpful, and informative titles, with new titles added periodically. Take a booklet for yourself or for a friend.

Grandparents Club

The Grandparents Club thanks the young people of our Church who called on some of our shut-ins during the seasons of Thanksgiving and Christmas. This means so much to our Church members who can't get out.



How Do I Love Thee? Let Me Count the Ways

Telephone calls and get-well cards came many days.

Food was brought in, made by gals at the Church.

You certainly didn't leave us in a lurch!

Three gals took me by car

To appointments; but we didn't have to go far.

Jackie brought me a prayer shawl

At the hospital when I was sick.

You Knitting Gals really do the trick.

These are a few things you did for me,

So thank you all, what's why I love thee.

Pat Custer

Thank You

I would like to express my thanks to everyone who made my recent illness and hospital stay better. The visits, cards, phone calls, and food were much appreciated. Thank you, and God bless!

Nancy Peppard



Come to the CFC on Saturday, March 12, for coffee at 7:30 a.m., followed at 8 with a hearty breakfast, prepared by Chef George and Mike Stevens, of French toast, bacon, hash brown potatoes, and

fresh fruit compote. What a breakfast for only \$5! The speaker of the day is Dale Berry, president of the Washington Township Board of Trustees. His remarks will focus on the elimination of Ohio's estate tax and its impact on local governments.

Come—and bring a friend—or make a new one! This is a great opportunity to meet other men of the Church and in our community and to enjoy casual fellowship. Prepaid reservations are required by Sunday, March 6, and may be made by signing up with George Lawson on Sunday mornings, by phone to 434.8614, or by e-mail to law-songm@aol.com.

The Path of Service

House of Bread

The House of Bread needs our help. Do you like being the hands and feet of Christ? Do you want to show God's love to those who are hungry? Can you spare a few hours on a Wednesday morning to help your neighbor? Volunteer dates for Southminster are April 27, June 1, August 24, October 26, and December 7. Please call Carolyn Kennedy, 299.6431, with your questions or to volunteer.

Meeting for Mexico Mission Trip

The first team meeting for the Mexico trip will be held on Sunday, March 13, after the second worship service. If you intend to join the group traveling to Mexico this summer (July 10-16), please plan to attend or talk to Pastor Megan or Laura Torres.

A NOTE OF



To the Wonderful Family Who Sponsored Our Family This Christmas. . .

I am writing to thank you for your generosity to our family this past Christmas season. I was overwhelmed by the amount of food given and the gifts that were purchased for our children. I cannot express the extent of gratitude my husband and I have for all of the wonderful gifts for the kids. This year we have struggled time and time again to put food on the table. Putting gifts under the tree for the kids this year seemed almost impossible. My husband and I did not even have enough money to buy gifts for each other.

The presents that were donated by Southminster REALLY made up for what we could not provide. Our two-year-old received his favorite Christmas gifts from the presents you gave. He loves Toy Story, and the family who sponsored our family gave him a Toy Story 3 DVD and a boxed set of Toy Story books, along with other great gifts. He watches that movie daily and has me read a book multiple times a day. He is also wearing the outfits that were bought for him. Our daughter has gotten much use out of the clothes that were given to her, and she absolutely loved the Bath and Body Works lotion and shower gel! My goal is to let the generous family who donated their time and money know how much we greatly appreciate the items bought for our family.

I was raised in the church; my husband was not. He has never really had a walk with God. Over the years, I have gotten away from attending church. My husband has made a commitment to have our family attend church together. He has asked Christ into his heart, and I have renewed my commitment to walk with the Lord. This was all prompted by your generosity. My husband was so overwhelmed that he has made the decision to pay it forward—however we can—and to make sure our children know God’s love. Thank you for this!

This is the first year we have ever had or needed help. I thank God that there are kind and thoughtful Christians out there in the world who care enough to help those (us) in need. God bless you.

Sincerely,
Kristy Stephens and Family



God's
Answers
Prayers

Southminster Presbyterian Church Health Resources listing

*Individuals who will join you on your health journey
as you seek answers and advice*

A ministry of the Deacons/Community Council

Please contact:

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| <i>ADHD</i> | Linda Lentz, 433-7044
(only after noon please)
KayLenL@sbcglobal.net |
| <i>aphasia and stroke
consequences</i> | Lisa Kelchner, 313-2559,
kelchnl@ucmail.uc.edu |
| <i>bladder cancer</i> | Irene Tipsword, 435-2339,
itipsword@woh.rr.com |
| <i>brain aneurysm</i> | Irene Tipsword, 435-2339,
itipsword@woh.rr.com |
| <i>breast cancer</i> | Ellen Ireland, 299-6118,
Ireland430@aol.com |
| <i>care for the caregiver</i> | Jacque Ryan, 435-5847,
jkryan@toast.net |
| <i>cataract surgery</i> | Marj Lawson, 434-8614,
lsongm@aol.com |
| <i>colostomy and ileostomy</i> | Janne Allison, 433-1486 |
| <i>hip replacement</i> | Dan Beck, 885-5544,
dbeck@bbckagency.com |
| <i>home care</i> | Sharon Boyko, 433-8263
sb.boyko@sbcglobal.net |
| <i>juvenile diabetes</i> | Cindy Entingh, 603-6138,
entinghcoh@yahoo.com |
| <i>knee replacement</i> | Dan Strayer, 433-2133,
afdeke@gmail.com |
| <i>prostate cancer</i> | George Lawson, 434-8614,
lawsongm@aol.com |
| <i>rehab care continuum</i> | Jacque Ryan, 435-5847
Jkryan@toast.net |
| <i>rheumatoid arthritis</i> | George Lawson, 434-8614,
lawsongm@aol.com |
| <i>rotator cuff surgery</i> | Carolyn Nagy, 514-7737,
cnagy7240@gmail.com |
| <i>shoulder replacement</i> | Joy Artman, 436-7723,
9Wartman@sbcglobal.net |
| <i>spinal injury</i> | Rob and Jill Parker,
885-5906 |
| <i>traumatic brain injury</i> | Abby, Jill, Ward Blair,
748-2286 |

Are you willing to help? We need contacts for other health areas. Contact Ellen Ireland at 299.6118 or Ireland430@aol.com to join us.

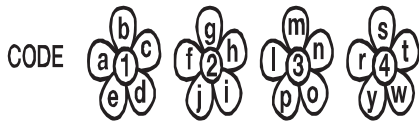
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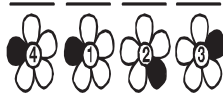
God's teaching is like....

In Deuteronomy, Moses' words to the children of Israel remind us of spring, which brings growth and new life.

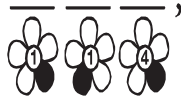
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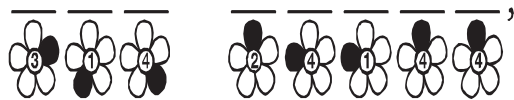
"Let my teaching fall like



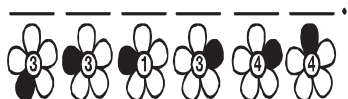
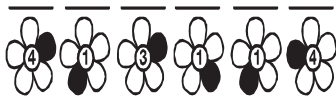
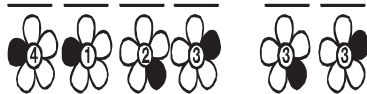
and my words descend like



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like abundant



Answers: rain, dew, showers on new grass, rain on tender plants

DIRT CUPS

Make this easy snack for your family or your friends at Sunday school. As you eat it, celebrate the miracles God brings in the spring.

What you need:

- 2 cups milk
- 1 (4-serving size) box of chocolate instant pudding
- 1 (8 oz.) tub of frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1 (16 oz.) package Oreo cookies, crushed
- 8 (9 oz.) plastic cups
- gummy worms and frogs
- plastic flowers (optional)

What you do:

1. Mix milk and pudding in a large bowl. Beat with a whisk until well blended. Let stand 5 minutes.
2. Add whipped topping and half of the crushed Oreos.
3. Place 1 tablespoon crushed Oreos in each cup. Fill cups $\frac{3}{4}$ full with pudding.
4. Top with remaining crushed Oreos.
5. Chill at least 1 hour or until ready to serve.
6. Decorate with gummy worms and/or frogs.
7. Place the stem end of the plastic flower into the center of the pudding dessert.

**Gustafer Yellowgold is coming again to
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We welcome Gustafer's creators Morgan Taylor and Rachel Loshak as they bring a Gustafer Yellowgold show of delightful, engaging stories and original songs with video to the children and the young-at-heart of our community.

Check out Gustafer at gustaferyellowgold.com. There is no charge, and Gustafer products will be available. Bring your children and grandchildren.

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**Happy
Easter**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<p>1 9:00 Kindermusik 9:00 Covenant Quilters 4:00 Kirkmont Center Bd. Of Trustees 6:00 Kingdom Football 7:00 Grace Circle 7:00 Literacy Tutoring 7:00 Beginning Ala-Non 8:00 Ala-Non</p>	<p>2 9:00 Kindermusik 5:00 Intercessory Prayer 6:00 WOW Worship 6:30 WOW Dinner 6:30 Knitting Group 6:45 Sanctuary Choir 7:00 WOW Classes& Small Groups 8:15 Bells of SMr</p>	<p>3 9:00 Kindermusik</p> <p>6:30 Science Olympiad 6:30 Toastmasters</p>	<p>4 10:00 Story Time 11:30 Elderberries</p> <p>4:00 Southminster Academy of Music and Arts</p>	<p>5 9:00 Men's Bible Study</p>
<p>6 8:30 & 11:00 Worship/Communion: Rev. Megan Collins preaching 8:30 & 11:00 Children & Worship 9:45 Christian Education For All Ages 5:00 Care Conn. #1 5:30 Children's Choir 6:00 Children's Chimes 6:30 PB'nJ Puppet Ministry</p>	<p>7 9:00 Staff Mtg 9:30 Moms In Touch</p> <p>4:00 Southminster Academy of Music and Arts 6:30 BSA Troop #516 7:00 Kettering Chorus 7:00 Stewardship Council</p>	<p>8 9:00 Kindermusik</p> <p>6:30 Kingdom Football 7:00 Literacy Tutoring 7:00 Beginning Ala-Non 8:00 Ala-Non</p>	<p>9 ASH WEDNESDAY 9:00 Kindermusik</p> <p>5:00 Intercessory Prayer 6:00 Sanctuary Choir 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service</p>	<p>10 9:00 Kindermusik 10:00 Grief Support</p> <p>6:30 Science Olympiad</p>	<p>11 9:00 Mom to Mom</p>	<p>12 7:30 Mens Breakfast 9:00 Men's Bible Study</p>
<p>13 8:30 & 11:00 Worship: Rev. Eric Pasanchin preaching 8:30 & 11:00 Children & Worship 9:45 Christian Education For All Ages 12:15 4th & 5th Grade Fellowship 5:30 Children's Choir 6:00 Children's Chimes 6:30 PB'nJ Puppet Ministry 6:30 Care Conn. #2</p>	<p>14 9:00 Staff Mtg 9:30 Moms In Touch 11:30 PEO</p> <p>4:00 Southminster Academy of Music and Arts 6:30 BSA Troop #516 7:00 Session 7:00 Kettering Chorus</p>	<p>15 9:00 Kindermusik 9:00 Covenant Quilters</p> <p>7:00 Literacy Tutoring 7:00 Finance Committee 7:00 Beginning Ala-Non 8:00 Ala-Non</p>	<p>16 9:00 Kindermusik</p> <p>5:00 Intercessory Prayer 6:00 WOW Worship 6:30 WOW Dinner 6:30 Knitting Group 6:45 Sanctuary Choir 7:00 WOW Classes& Small Groups 8:15 Bells of Southminster</p>	<p>17 9:00 Kindermusik 10:00 Women's Reading Group</p> <p>6:30 Science Olympiad 6:30 Toastmasters</p>	<p>18</p> <p>4:00 Southminster Academy of Music and Arts 6:30 Date Night</p>	<p>19 9:00 Men's Bible Study 10:00 DAR</p>
<p>20 8:30 & 11:00 Worship: Rev. Eric Pasanchin preaching 8:30 & 11:00 Children & Worship 9:45 Christian Education For All Ages 11:00 Youth Worship 12:15 Invitation Cncl. 5:30 Children's Choir 6:00 Children's Chimes 6:30 PB'nJ Puppet Ministry 6:30 Care Conn. #3</p>	<p>21 9:00 Staff Mtg 9:30 Moms In Touch</p> <p>4:00 Southminster Academy of Music and Arts 6:30 Service Council 6:30 BSA Troop #516 7:00 Kettering Chorus 7:00 Community Council</p>	<p>22 9:00 Kindermusik</p> <p>7:00 Worship Council 7:00 Literacy Tutoring 7:00 Beginning Ala-Non 7:30 Stephen Ministry 8:00 Ala-Non</p>	<p>23 9:00 Kindermusik</p> <p>5:00 Intercessory Prayer 6:00 WOW Worship 6:30 WOW Dinner 6:30 Knitting Group 6:45 Sanctuary Choir 7:00 WOW Classes& Small Groups 8:15 Bells of Southminster</p>	<p>24 9:00 Rummage Sale 9:00 Kindermusik</p> <p>12:00 Personnel Committee 7:00 Coffee Mates</p>	<p>25 9:00 Rummage Sale 9:00 Mom to Mom</p>	<p>26 9:00 Rummage Sale 9:00 Men's Bible Study</p>
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The Path of Stewardship

Jerry's Corner

I don't want to jinx anything by saying the snow is gone and spring is around the corner—but it is! Snowdrop flowers are popping up! Just hang in there a little bit longer.

Save the date of Saturday, May 7, for Spring Cleaning at Southminster. Your help will be much appreciated. Come early for doughnuts and coffee.



Are any of you tired of sitting around the house, retired and needing a hobby? How about volunteering one or two hours a week or every other week at Southminster? I have jobs

for just about anybody who wants to come and help around the Church, winter or summer. Think about it, and call me at the Church if you are interested.

Jerry



Daylight Saving Time begins March 13



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