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NEWS & NOTES

January 11, 2019

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



Dear Friends,

As I mentioned in last week's *News and Notes*, Southminster has agreed to host the Presbytery of Miami Valley on **Saturday, February 9**. The average attendance of clergy, elders,

Presbytery staff, and visitors is over 100 for the meeting and around 60 for the luncheon. This is an opportunity to offer hospitality to our neighbors in Christ, and it will take a lot of volunteers! So far, we have identified 35 volunteer positions that we need to fill, including people to help with parking, a light breakfast, lunch, greeting, giving directions, registration and more! Additionally, some of our elders will help serve communion during worship.

Some of us will need to be at the church early because registration begins at 8 a.m. The meeting starts at 9 a.m. and will end after we serve lunch, unless their meeting runs long and has to be continued afterward.

You will receive a second “Constant Contact” email today with the list of volunteers needed for this event. (We will put it on the website next week.) **Please sign up by contacting [Lynn](#).**

WHEN IT SNOWS . . .



When it snows, please use your own discretion about coming to Sunday worship services. Unless there is a blizzard, Pastor Nancy will plan to be at the church in case anyone shows up. However, she wants you to do what is best for your safety and peace of mind. If the church is ever closed on a Sunday morning, it should be listed on the website: www.whio.com and on the **WHIO TV, channel**

7 list of closings. (*For information during the week about the office closing or activities being cancelled, please check the same listing.*)

UPCOMING EVENTS

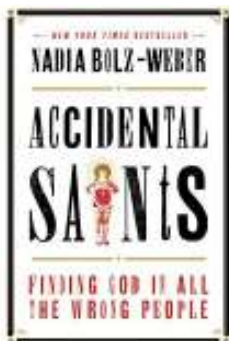
NEW OFFICER TRAINING (2-PART TRAINING)

Dates: Sundays, January 13 and 27

Time: 11:15am

Place: Community Room

Questions? Contact Pastor Nancy at Nancy@sminster.com.



ACCIDENTAL SAINTS BOOK STUDY AND DISCUSSION GROUP

Dates: First and Third Tuesday, beginning January 15

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Boston Stoker at 215 N Main St, Centerville, OH

If you have ever felt rejected by the church, or spiritually wounded, this discussion group is here for you. We are going to be jointly reading and discussing the book *Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People* by Nadia

Bolz-Weber . We will be focusing on the first two chapters at our first meeting in January and will continue on the first and third Tuesday each month until we finish the book. However, if you don't get the reading done, don't worry, we still want you to attend. Even if you just want to come for coffee, please join us. Questions? Contact Elizabeth Davis, Facilitator, at 937-701-4603 .

GRIEF GROUP (SOUP GROUP)

Date: Thursday, January 17, 2018

Time: 12:00 noon

Place: Coffee Corner

"Christ led fellowship, support and information for a grief journey."

Join us the 3rd Thursday of the month. Bring your own lunch. Drinks are provided. Questions? Contact Jane Hancock at jhan820@gmail.com.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Dates: 3rd Friday of the month, next occurrence is January 18

Time: 10:00-11:30am

Place: Hospitality Room

Facilitated by Pat Elliott.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Date: Friday, January 18

Time: 6:30-9:00pm

Place: CFC

Drop off your kids on the 3rd Friday of the month for a few hours of fun! If you can volunteer or would like to participate, RSVP to Kim@sminster.com.

ELDERBERRIES (55 and Better)

Date: Friday, February 1

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: CFC

The Elderberry Group would like to invite members, non-members and friends 55 years old and older to join us on **Friday, February 1 for lunch at 11:30** which will be followed by a group of wonderful young Irish dancers. Lunch will consist of chili con carne, tossed salad, fruit cup and cookies. The cost of the meal is \$7.00 for those able to pay. It promises to be a fun time for all. To make reservations, either sign up in the Narthex or outside the office or call the office at 433-1810. We hope you will want to join us!

JOY ARTMAN MEMORIAL SERVICE

Date: Saturday, February 2, 2019

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: Sanctuary/Narthex

SCOUT SUNDAY AND ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Date: Sunday, February 3

Time: 10:00am

Place: Sanctuary

Join us for Worship as we celebrate our Boy Scout Troop 516. The Annual Congregational Meeting will follow Worship.

OFFICER FINANCIAL VISIONING RETREAT

Date: Saturday, February 16

Time: 8:00a.m. through lunch

Place: CFC

Elders and Deacons will be having a retreat for the purpose of looking at our finances and budget as well as brainstorming about some major fundraisers and making plans to carry them out. Please bring your own lunch and drink. We will meet in the CFC.

For additional upcoming events, be sure to visit our [website](#)

GROUPS

SAMBA CARD GROUP

Dates: 4th Tuesdays of the month

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Hospitality Room

Join us for fun and fellowship the 4th Tuesday of every month. Questions? Contact Peggy Stichter at p.stichter@sbcglobal.net.

NEEDLES & HOOKS ("KNITTING GROUP")

Date: Every Wednesday

Time: 4:00pm

Place: Hospitality Room

Questions? Contact Helen Davis at 885-0574 or helendavis@woh.rr.com.

DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY SUPPORT GROUP

Date: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Adult Lounge

Join us the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month for group support. Questions? Contact Facilitator Ryan Battelle at 436-0561.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 9:30am

Place: Chapel

"Where the Care Connection Prayer Requests are Honored."

Meets weekly in the Chapel. Anyone is welcome. For information, contact Dottie Eggers at 433-1488 or Lois Thorp at 859-0327.

GENEALOGY INTEREST GROUP

Dates: 2nd Fridays

Time: 12:00 noon

Place: Coffee Corner

Join us for our next Genealogy Interest Group meeting every 2nd Friday of the month with Facilitator Kathy Jester. All are welcome!

MOM 2 MOM

Dates: 2nd and 4th Fridays

Time: 9:00am

Place: Hospitality Room

Fellowship for moms and a time to discuss the struggles of parenting and raising our children within the Christian faith. Childcare is provided in the nursery. Meets the 2nd and 4th Fridays, September-May. Questions? Contact Adrienne Dickson at adrienne.dickson@icloud.com

SCRAPBOOKING

Dates: First Saturday of the month

Time: 9:00am

Place: Hospitality Room

Join us for some scrapbooking and fellowship! Questions? Contact Kathy Jester at r.a.jester@sbcglobal.net.

Don't see your group but would like to? Send your information to office@sminster.com.

GROWTH GROUPS

SHORT STORIES BY JESUS

Dates: Sundays, January 20 through February 24, 2019

Time: 8:45-9:45am

Location: Adult Lounge

Facilitated by Steve Davis.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Girl Scout Cookies

Are you looking for a Girl Scout to fill your cookie craving? The Girl Scouts of Southminster will have a table in the Narthex on Sunday, January 27 before and after worship. They would be happy to take your order.

Shepherds Needed for Children and Worship and Sermon 2.0

We are in need of shepherds to assist with Children and Worship and Sermon 2.0. What does a Shepherd do? A Shepherd meets the children outside the sanctuary doors and leads them to their classroom. During the class, the Shepherd offers support to the teacher. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. You can also contact [Kim Catchpole](#) if you have questions or if you need to schedule an appointment for a background check.

Souper Bowl of Caring

The Souper Bowl of Caring is a national ministry that empowers youth and unites communities around the time of the Big Game to help those in need. This year, the children and youth of Southminster will be collecting cans of soup to donate to the Fish Food Pantry. Please bring regular-size (not family size or larger) cans of soup to church on **Sunday, February 3**. The youth will be available to collect cans before and after worship.

Visit our website for information about Southminster's
[Children's ministry](#) or [Youth ministry](#)

INFORMATION OF INTEREST

OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you ordered offering envelopes, you can pick up your box in the Narthex. If you did not order envelopes and would still like a box, there are extra boxes in the office. Please email the [office](#) and we will reserve one for you.

THE FLOWER CALENDAR for 2019 is up on the bulletin board in the Narthex for those who wish to dedicate flowers on Sunday mornings. Send your check or payment for \$40.00 and mark it "flowers". You can email your dedication to [Elizabeth Taylor](#).

PER CAPITA

Per Capita is Southminster's support of the larger church. The per capita amount, assessed by the Presbytery for 2019, is \$48.20 per member. Making a payment for this amount, multiplied by the number of confirmed family members, helps us meet our obligations. Please label your payment "per capita" so it will be posted to the right account.

THE CASTLE

Located at 133 N. Main Street in Centerville, "The Castle is a gathering place of trust and friendship which supports people with mental illness and disorders to achieve their highest level of competence and independence." . Food items are brought to the church the 4th Sunday of each month (excluding May and December). A volunteer from The Castle will retrieve the items from the church the day after the donations are made. The January and February sign-up sheets are now available on the Mission Board in the Narthex. Please consider donating to our worthy neighbors up the street.

CLOTHES THAT WORK

In 2018 the 4 teams of Bob and Judy Murphy, Adrienne Dickson, Cheryl Hartman, Kathy Jester, Mary Stahley, Pat Bethel, Suzi Dameron and Gay Amos gathered donated adult clothing items at the church and took them to drop-off locations for Clothes that Work. Clothes That Work not only supplies appropriate clothing for job interviews but offers guidance on how to make a good first impression. You can help by donating good clean (no rips or stains) adult clothing and accessories. This organization which also offers a boutique that is open to the public and offers items at affordable prices, is located at 1133 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd. in Dayton. Across from the church elevator on the office floor is where the clothing and accessories may be left. Clothing should be on hangers if at all possible. On the ledge above the Clothes That Work

sign are receipts should you want one. Thanks to all who have donated and a big thanks to the teams which are serving in this mission.

INQUIRY CLASS

We are happy that you have been visiting us at Southminster! A new Inquiry Class will be held in the early part of 2019 for those interested in knowing more about the church and for those wishing to join our congregation. If you would like to be a part of this class, please call the church office at 433-1810 and leave your name and phone number. (If it is hard to reach you by phone, you may want to give us an email address as well.) Someone will contact you to give you more information, answer questions, and coordinate a date for the class.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Southminster Contributions – 2019*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$9,183	\$11,301	\$2,118
Year to Date	\$9,183	\$11,301	\$2,118

• as of January 7, 2019

Please give generously and keep your pledge up to date! To have a break even year in 2019, we need to collect \$1,900 over the budgeted contributions each week.

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