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NEWS & NOTES

January 31, 2020

To be the head, heart and hands of Jesus Christ, driven by God's love for our church and the world beyond.

NOTES WITH NANCY



MARIANNE FARMER
is our new
Director of Children's
Ministries!

I am excited to announce that, at their meeting last Tuesday, the Session voted for Marianne Farmer to be our new Director of Children's Ministries. A member of Southminster Presbyterian Church since 2012, Marianne is already a beloved friend of our children. After the little ones come up to the chancel for the "Children's Time" in worship, they go to their own worship and learning experience called "Children and Worship." Marianne has been one of the leaders of this program for years and is known for telling Bible stories in ways that make them come alive. She has led Sunday School, been involved in Vacation Bible School,

has been both a participant and leader in the Mom2Mom group, and serves on the Children and Youth Design Team. Marianne also has served as a Deacon, participating on the Prayer and Presence committee.

Before coming to Southminster, Marianne worked for various advocacy non-profit organizations, including the American Lung Association, the Epilepsy Foundation, and six years at the American Cancer Society. She has a BA in Political Science from Ohio University. Two of Marianne's favorite pastimes are reading and hiking. She and her husband, Mike, have two children, Ellie (8) and Jack (5).

Rev. Laura Nile will be Marianne's supervisor. Many thanks to Laura, Liz Ferguson, and Wes Cleaves for their work in the search process. You did a great job!

ASH WEDNESDAY AGAPE MEAL with WORSHIP

Soup Supper at 6:30 p.m., followed by worship in the CFC
Wednesday, February 26

The journey of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, a time to consider who we are and who God calls us to be. We will gather in the CFC around tables in the shape of a cross and enjoy a very light, simple meal of soup and bread. We will stay at the table for a time of worship that will include the renewal of baptismal vows and the sharing of Communion. Ashes will be available for those who would like them. We hope you will join us for this meaningful time of worship and fellowship.

Your Worship Team is supplying soup, but we could use some volunteers to bring 9 loaves of different types of bread. It can be any kind that you choose. It doesn't matter if you buy it or make it. If you are willing to bring bread, you can find the sign-up sheet in the area just off of the narthex, near the coat area, on a table across from the coffee and water.

HEAR THE REVEREND CINDY KOHLMANN,
Co-Moderator of the General Assembly of the PC(USA)
at Covenant Presbyterian Church,

201 North Limestone St., Springfield, OH 45503

Saturday, February 8

The Reverend Cindy Kohlmann is the Co-Moderator of the General Assembly, the national governing body of the PC(USA). She was once the pastor of a church in Carlisle, OH. This is a great opportunity for you to hear from someone who is a representative voice for the PC(USA). Rev. Kohlmann will be at the Presbytery meeting on Feb. 8.

8:30-9:00 a.m. Meet and greet

9:00 a.m. She will preach during the worship service

Although only our two elder representatives and pastors can vote at the Presbytery meeting, anyone can come to meet the Co-Moderator and participate in the worship service.

THIS SUNDAY

SCOUT SUNDAY

Date: February 2

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Sanctuary

Please welcome Scout Troops 515 and 516 as they help usher and will be liturgist for our Sunday Service.

CHURCH TOUR

Date: February 2

Time: 11:15 a.m.

Place: Meet at the Welcome Desk

Guests, newer members, and long-time members---**all!**---are invited to tour our wonderful facility on Sunday, February 2. Learn about the history of Southminster as we travel along. Meet Cheryl Hartman at the Welcome Center following worship for this 45-minute tour.

ADULT EDUCATION "THE WALK"

Date: Sunday, January 12 (for 7 weeks)

Time: 8:45 - 9:45 a.m.

Location: Hospitality Room

Join Pastor and best-selling author Adam Hamilton and deepen your walk with Christ, as we explore the five essential practices of worship, study, serving, giving, and sharing your faith.

Facilitated by Steve Davis

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

YOUTH/PARENT MEETING FEB. 2

Sunday, February 2, the youth will not meet, as we will have a parents meeting in the Ark Room. The meeting will evaluate how Youth Group is going and discuss the plans for the rest of the year.

EVENTS IN THE COMING WEEKS

GRACE CIRCLE

Date: February 4

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Hospitality Room

Join Grace Circle on February 4 for enjoyable fellowship.

ELDERBERRIES

Date: February 7

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: CFC

Join the Elderberries on Friday, February 7, to hear about Montgomery County's first medical doctor, John Hole. Guest speaker Joellen Ulliman will present the fun filled program.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING AND POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Date: February 9

Time: 11:15 a.m.

Place: CFC

The Session hereby calls the Annual Meeting of the congregation to be held on Sunday, Feb. 9, in the CFC after worship. We will gather for a simple potluck luncheon, and the annual meeting will start as we begin dessert. The hope is that this will be a more relaxed way to have our congregational meeting. Please bring a dish to share. You can leave it in the downstairs kitchen before the worship service. Please click [Annual Report](#) to read the annual report on our website.



BLANKET SUNDAY

Date: February 16

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Sanctuary

A Church World Services Blanket provides warmth and comfort for those in need. Your support will go towards disaster relief, which includes blankets, hygiene kits, school kits, baby kits and much more.



PB'nJ PUPPETS (Proud Believers in Jesus)

Date: Every Sunday

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Community Room

Have fun learning the art of puppet ministry and making new friends. Puppet ministry performs periodically during worship and church events.

NEEDLES & HOOKS

Date: Every Wednesday

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Place: Hospitality Room

If you have any questions, please contact Helen Davis at helendavis@woh.rr.com.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 9:30 a.m.

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.

NOTES OF INTEREST

STUDY LEAVE

Pastor Laura will be on study leave for the APCE Conference from January 29-February 1.

THE FLOWER CALENDAR

The flower calendar for 2020 is up on the bulletin board in the Narthex for those who wish to dedicate flowers on Sunday mornings. You can email your dedication to Elizabeth Taylor at

elizabethtaylor333@yahoo.com. Please send your check or payment for \$40 and mark it "flowers," in the memo line.

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.)*

CONTRIBUTIONS

Southminster Contributions – 2020*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$10,591	\$20,078	\$9,487
Year to Date	\$42,364	\$46,209	\$3,845

* as of January 27, 2020

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