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

## NEWS & NOTES

May 4, 2018

### A NOTE FROM NANCY

#### **"Please Open My Door and Come In!"**

I have heard that when a couple of people came into the church office and saw my door closed that they assumed that it meant that they shouldn't bother me. **Please, please come right in!** My office is placed so near to a high traffic area that if I don't close it between visitors, I (with my big mouth) will end up joining in every conversation that takes place in the rest of the office, and I'll never get anything done. If you see a closed door, it is just because I don't concentrate well and get distracted easily. However, as any of the staff will tell you, **just open my door and walk on in any time!** (If I'm counseling or meeting with someone else, I will leave out a sign.) I am used to adults, teens and children knowing that they are always welcome. Please don't ever hesitate to visit me. I want to see you!



## FEATURED EVENT

### HERITAGE SUNDAY SCOTLAND AND BEYOND!

**Date:** Sunday, May 6

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.

**Place:** Sanctuary/Lunch in CFC

Join us for this special Sunday when we celebrate the Scottish heritage of the Presbyterian Church.

There will be a multi-cultural potluck lunch so bring a dish to share that represents the country of your heritage or your choice. Don't miss the Scottish Chicken in the Heather and Rumbledethumps provided by Fellowship!

**It's not too late to sign up [here](#).**



**This Sunday, when we gather in the CFC (Christian Fellowship Center) for the luncheon, Nancy's paintings will be on two of the walls of the room. (Please don't take photos of the paintings. In the past, she has had images pirated off of Facebook and other places on the internet.)**

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**Vacation Bible school** is not just for children! There are a number of ways adults and youth can help with *Peace Lab*:

- Classroom assistants
- Shepherd children from one area to another
- Help with registration
- Prepare and serve snacks



### BABY SHOWER FOR LANDON!

As you may have heard, "Landon the Sign Guy" is going on Paternity Leave! His last day holding the sign at Alex Bell/48 on Monday mornings is scheduled for May 7, 2018. Landon has provided so much hope and motivation for our community over the past 4 ½ years through his volunteer outreach and we would like the community to join us in showing him our gratitude.



**What:** Community Baby Shower/Appreciation Day for Landon the Sign Guy

**Where:** A Great Start Preschool and Southminster Presbyterian Church

**How you can help:** We will be accepting donations to present to Landon on the morning of May 7. Landon and his wife are registered at Target and Buy Buy Baby (search Landon Wagstaff).

We will accept monetary donations, gift card donations, cards, notes of appreciation and encouragement, diapers, and baby gifts (It's a boy!) You can also make a monetary donation via paypal (send friends and family to eliminate fees) to [aGreatStart@aol.com](mailto:aGreatStart@aol.com) (please put "LANDON" in the memo). Or, feel free to do something on your own (he is expected to be at the corner of Alex Bell/48 on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:30am-9:00am).

Please drop off your donation to A Great Start Preschool between 8am-3pm, or at the Southminster Church Office 8:30-4:30, M-F.

*Shhhhh.....let's try to keep this a surprise!*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **BUILDING TOUR**

**Date: Sunday, May 13**

**Time: 11:15 a.m. Following Worship**

**Place: Meet at the Welcome Center**

A tour of Southminster Church will be offered following Worship by Hospitality Host, Marj Lawson. Marj will meet people near the Welcome Center. The tour will take approximately 45 minutes. Advance registration is not necessary, but helpful and can be noted in the Friendship pad.

### **PENTECOST**

**Date: Sunday, May 20**

**Time: 10:00 a.m.**

**Place: Sanctuary**

This is the Sunday that we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. It is also the day we will receive our new young members from the Confirmation Class!

**ELDERBERRIES**

**Date: Friday, June 1, 2018**

**Time: 11:00 a.m.**

**Place: Christian Fellowship Center**

The June Elderberries Program will be Bobbie Strobhar, a very well known harpist for over 30 years in the Dayton area - principal harpist for the Miami Valley Symphony Orchestra, Wright State Orchestra, and Wright State Wind Orchestra. She has played for weddings, anniversary and birthday parties, funerals, hospital and nursing homes. At a Cincinnati Hospital, she plays for cancer, oncology, dialysis, and rehab medical departments. She teaches students of all ages.

A \$7.00 donation is requested for lunch - a brown bag lunch may be brought in place of lunch if desired. Sign up sheets are in the Narthax or outside the church office in the lower level. You can also call the church office (433-1810) to make your reservations. Lunch will be a bagged lunch including a chicken salad croissant, carrot and celery sticks, potato chips, banana and cookie.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Date: Monday, June 25-Thursday, June 28**

**Time: 9:00am-11:30a.m.**

**Place: Christian Fellowship Center**

Get ready for *Peace Lab* vacation Bible school, where children will discover God's way of peace! Fun activities will help Bible stories come to life and lead children on an awesome adventure, equipping them to follow Jesus as compassionate peacemakers. Children ages 3 through entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to this time of games, crafts, snacks, friends, and fun! Register [here](#).



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

**GROWTH GROUPS**

**FACING RACISM**

**Dates: April 15 through May 20**

**Facilitator: Gay Amos**

**Times: 8:45am to 9:45am**

**Location: Hospitality Room**

Come learn what racism is, how it affects society and us personally; how white supremacy has unseen, disastrous results; what the church's stand against racism is; and how we, personally might respond. This is NOT a point your finger class, this is an eye-opener and a road to new understandings. All are urged to come, investigate and learn together God's plan for the Beloved Community. Reading materials will be provided at the class. For more information, visit our [website](#).

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## INFORMATION OF INTEREST

### **A Great Success...Thank You!**

On April 27, 28 and 29, *Southminster Presbyterian Church* and *Catch the Building Spirit* (CtBS) partnered to successfully build 58 wall panels for a *Habitat for Humanity* house to be assembled in Huber Heights, OH.

We are extremely grateful to CtBS for their collaboration and support in this team endeavor. With more than 100 attendees over the three days, we would also like to acknowledge the support of the following people and groups from the community:

- Southminster Fellowship Team
- Southminster Building and Grounds
- Mike Stevens
- Steve Campbell /Essential Lawn & Landscaping
- Alter Ladies/Men's Track
- Boy Scout Troop 516
- Requarth Lumber
- Habitat for Humanity
- Southminster Daycare (Adrienne Dickson and Kaitlin Barlow)

And a very special thank you to our **Southminster** community for your financial support and hard work this past weekend. We could not do this without YOU! You can view a few pictures of the event at <http://catchthebuildingspirit.org/gallery>

Sincerely,  
Southminster Mission Team

## FAREWELL TO JIMMY HOSHUE

Reminder that this Sunday notecards will be available in the Narthex for your personal message. If you wish to give a monetary gift, you may enclose it with the notecard or your own card and leave it in the basket; or you may drop a check in the offering plate, clearly marked *For Jimmy Hoshue*.

We will have the opportunity to thank Jimmy for his dedicated service and wish him well for the future at the Heritage Day meal following Worship this Sunday.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### YOUTH CAR WASH SUNDAY AFTER WORSHIP!

Support the youth attending the Montreat Youth Conference by getting your car clean for spring! Youth will wash cars in the front parking lot following the Heritage meal. Your donations are greatly appreciated. \$5 suggested donation.



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

## CONTRIBUTIONS

### Southminster Contributions – 2018\*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$9,503	\$5,378	\$(4,125)
Year to Date	\$161,551	\$199,348	\$37,797

\* as of April 30, 2018

To close our full year deficit budget, we need to increase collections or decrease expenses an average of \$2,100 per week.

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