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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 25, 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

SHARE YOUR PERRENIALS!

Date: Sunday mornings,
May 27 and June 3

Place: Narthex

The Compassion and Assistance Subcommittee will hold their annual "Share Your Perennials" and houseplant event before and after service on Sunday, **May 27 and June 3**. Plan to start potting plants you wish to share. Drop off is before church services and tables will be set up in the Narthex for your donations.



Tag the pots or plastic bags with the following information:

- Plant name
- Plant color
- Sun or shade

- Flower color
- Dry or moist
- Picture of the plant

All proceeds will go to our the FISH Food Pantry. Please support this wonderful mission! Questions? Contact Dorothy Douglas at 848-8257.

ELDERBERRIES

Date: Friday, June 1, 2018

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: Christian Fellowship Center

The Elderberries welcome Bobbie Strobbhar, 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 Narthex 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.

CHURCH FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Dates: Friday, June 15, 2018 (Drive-In)

Friday, July 20 (Game Night)

Friday, August 17 (Painting)

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Christian Fellowship Center



Who is invited? You and anyone you know! Parents and their kids! Grandparents with their grandchildren! Your family and neighbors. You don't have to be a member of Southminster to attend. The only requirement is that you do need to be willing to have fun. There is no cost and you will be fed a fun meal.

Feel free to bring your favorite game on Game Night, or your favorite blanket on Drive-in Night.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Date: Monday, June 25-Thursday, June 28

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

Place: Christian Fellowship Center

VBS is fast approaching. (Ages 3 and potty trained – entering 5th grade). Space is limited so please register soon to guarantee the child in your life a place. Register [here](#).



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

GROWTH GROUPS

SIX THEMES IN THE BIBLE EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW

**Dates: Sunday, June 3, 2018
through Sunday, July 1, 2018**

Facilitator: Steve Davis

Times: 8:45am to 9:45am

Location: Hospitality Room

[*Six Themes in the Bible Everyone Should Know*](#), a new adult class, will begin on **Sunday June 3 at 8:45 am** in the Hospitality Room. This 5-week class facilitated by Steve Davis will take a wide angle look at the Bible and trace the great arc of God's creation "from the garden to Garden City." It will explore themes that begin in the early chapters of Genesis, span the pages of Scripture, and end with the glorious vision in the book of Revelation of the new Jerusalem, the city of God's redeemed people. Purchase of the book of the same name by Barry Ensign-George is encouraged but not mandatory.

WAKING UP WHITE AND FINDING MYSELF IN THE STORY OF RACE

**Dates: Friday mornings, June 1, 8, 15,
and 22**

Facilitator: Gay Amos

Times: 10:00-11:30am

Location: Hospitality Room



A book discussion to extend discussion on racism. **“Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race”** by Debby Irving. How white supremacy affects us all and how we can better understand the feelings and frustrations of people of color in an America that still fails to recognize them as equals. Sign up by Sunday, May 27 or call Gay Amos, facilitator. Book cost is \$18.00. [Kindle version of the book](#) is \$8.69. Call Gay if you need child care (438-5960).

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

THE CASTLE NEWS

Thanks to the generosity of the Southminster congregation over \$300.00 was collected for The Castle's use to have a Memorial Day picnic for the people who gather there. The Mission Team thanks you for your faithful support of this ministry. The June and July food donation sign-up sheets for The Castle are now available on the Mission board in the Narthex.

INFORMATION OF INTEREST

MEMORIAL DAY

The office is closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 28.

PARKING LOT RESURFACING BEGINNING JUNE 4

Our parking lot resurface will commence on June 4. Please do not park in the upper lot close to Far Hills the week of June 4. The lower lot entering from Alex Bell will still be available for parking.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Session has called a special congregational meeting **June 24**, immediately following worship. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC). Look for more details and for a proposed slate for the APNC from nominating committee in coming weeks.

THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone for their prayers and blessings and for all the wonderful cards I have received. *Irene Tipsword*

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

GET YOUR BACKGROUND CHECK AT CHURCH JUNE 3 @ 11:00AM IN COFFEE CORNER

Have you completed the fingerprint background check required to volunteer with children and youth at church? The Mentoring Collaborative of Montgomery County is providing another free opportunity to complete background checks following worship on June 3. Contact [Erin Dickerson](#) for more information.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES PLANNING RETREAT

It is time to begin planning for next year's children and youth ministries and it is important to include a wide variety of voices in this process. This includes parents, volunteers, youth and anyone who has an interest in the faith formation of young people in our church. Please join us for dinner and a two hour planning session. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex. You may also contact [Kim Catchpole](#) or [Erin Dickerson](#) for more information.

When: Wednesday, June 20

Time: 6-8 PM

Where: Adult Lounge

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	\$7,249	\$(2,254)
Year to Date	\$190,060	\$227,765	\$37,705

* as of May 21, 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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