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NEWS & NOTES

May 29, 2020

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

NOTES FROM NANCY



Congratulations!
Class of
2020

*For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord,
plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.*

Jeremiah 29:11

Dear Friends,

As you know, graduates didn't get the kind of ceremony or celebration with friends that they would have liked in 2020. I hope you can help to celebrate Southminster grads by saying a prayer for each one and, perhaps, sending a card, too!

Ruth Whatley, Southminster's Director of Music Ministries, received her Masters of Education in Language and Literacy from Miami University. Her research interests include incorporating critical literacy into the primary and secondary music and choral curriculum. Recently, she had a paper on "*Challenging Traditional Conceptions of English Curricula & Pedagogy: A Review of Literature on Teaching Critical Literacy through Political Music*" published in the Taylor and Francis journal. In addition to her work at Southminster, Ruth is a choir director and music teacher at Ross Local Schools.

Rachael Opothi, daughter of Ojulu and Abang Opothi, graduated from Sinclair Community College with her second Associate's degree. This one is in Clinical Laboratory Technology. She is working full time, in her chosen field, at a lab with the Kettering Health Network.

Abbie Campbell, daughter of Steve and Gretchen Campbell and granddaughter of Suzi Dameron, graduated from Miamisburg High School and has been accepted in Bowling Green State University.

Ani Scott, daughter of Jenna and Shane Wilken, and granddaughter of Jane Dickerson, graduated from Springboro High School and has been accepted in Denison University.

Congratulations to all of our graduates!



PENTECOST

This Sunday is Pentecost: the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church! I usually encourage people to wear red to church on Pentecost, and it would be nice if you could still do that when you are worshipping from home. I hope you will watch the livestream worship service and celebrate this special day for all Christians.

Peace and blessings,
Nancy

NEXT PHASES OF CHURCH REOPENING

June 1, 2020: Groups of 10 or less can begin having meetings at Southminster.

Please check with office to schedule groups.

Worship will continue to be through livestream services.

August 1, 2020 is the target date for in-person worship services.

We will continue livestream for those not ready to come back.

NOTES OF INTEREST

PENTECOST ART PROJECT (TURN IN TODAY)

Help us decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost! If you have a printer at home we're inviting members of **all ages** to download the coloring sheet on the link below and bring it back to the church by Friday **May 29th!**

Please drop them off at the church mailbox by door number 5. We can't wait to see our community art project come together.



[Pentecost coloring sheet](#)

THE CASTLE

Our friends at The Castle continue to need our support. If you would like to drop off non-perishable items at the church for them, please place the items on the red cart, located in the vestibule between the glass doors closest to the office entrance (door #5). You could also drop off canned goods and other non-perishables at The Castle or consider providing financial support by checks or cash also to be

taken or mailed to The Castle at 133 N. Main Street Centerville, OH 45459.

ADULT EDUCATION

VIRTUAL SCAVENGER HUNT

Ready for a Scavenger Hunt?

Since it has been awhile since we were physically at Southminster, there is now a virtual reverse scavenger hunt to help you remember the building. You will be shown 18 close up pictures. Try to identify where the picture was taken around Southminster. You just might learn something! The hunt can be done anytime by clicking on the link below. Enjoy!

<https://www.sminster.com/vrshintro/>

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY

Are you missing the Sunday morning New Testament class? Or do you wish you would have started the class? Whether you've missed a class or never started, you can jump in with online videos! Steve and Helen Davis have been recording the classes so you can watch and comment on the YouTube videos. It's a great way to keep learning during quarantine. You can find all the videos on the [private page of the website](#) password: w1nd0w

CHURCH LIVESTREAMING INSTRUCTIONS

NEW LINKS TO LIVESTREAM FROM SMINSTER.COM

We are continually working to make our website easy to use, fresh and interesting. The most recent changes have removed the big blue pop-up window that you may have used to access our live Sunday Worship broadcast or recorded videos. You can still get to the same location by clicking on the "Watch the Livestream.." graphic at the top or scroll down and click on "[livestreamed worship services](#)" link lower on the page. We will continue to send the emails on Saturday with links to the livestream and bulletin materials.

Feedback on the website can be sent to webmaster@sminster.com

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Southminster Contributions – 2020*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$10,591	\$4,450	\$(6,141)
Year to Date	\$222,411	\$193,970	\$(28,441)

* as of May 25, 2020

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