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NEWS & NOTES

June 8, 2018

DID YOU KNOW?

Since we have a large staff and some are part-time, we thought it would be good for you to know the best times to reach us.

CHURCH STAFF AND OFFICE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

Church Phone: 937-433-1810.

All staff emails include the first name, followed by @sminster.com, (as in nancy@sminster.com).

STAFF:

Nancy Birdsong, *Pastor, Head of Staff*

Tuesdays through Sundays, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. and, often, through late evening for meetings, etc.

Saturday: usually in the office, working on the sermon

Monday is her day off.

Since she is often in a meeting, counseling or out on pastoral visits, it is easiest to call first to be sure she is available when you need her. Her

cell is 732-208-3280. Please leave a text or message if she is unable to answer. She wants to be as accessible to you as possible, so please do not hesitate to call her or to visit her in the office.

Steve Schumm, *Interim Associate*

Pastor

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Sunday (flexible) *and some Saturdays when preaching*

Kim Catchpole, *Interim Director of Youth Ministries*

Monday-Thursday, Sunday (flexible)

Erin Dickerson, *Interim Director of Children's Ministries*

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday (usually mornings until 1 or 2 pm, flexible)

(In the summer, Erin has Thursdays off.)

Ruth Mappes, *Director of Music*

Ministries

Wed late afternoon and evening *(for bell choir and choir rehearsals during this program year)*

Sunday morning

Jim Pera, *Organist*

Wednesdays during rehearsals, and Sunday mornings

Lynn Grubb, *Business Administrator*

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Karen Hardie, *Office Assistant*

Mondays 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Thursdays 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Sharon Ark, *Financial Administrator*

Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings (flexible hours)

(In the summer, Sharon has Fridays off.)

Mike Shively, *Property Manager*

Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS:

While these volunteers may sometimes need to take time away, these are their usual hours.

Gretchen Cleaves Monday and Wednesday mornings

Lois Thorp Tuesday and Friday (all day)

Kathy Jester Thursday mornings

Gay Amos Mondays in church library

DO YOU HAVE AN EVENT OR MAINTENANCE REQUEST?

Do you have an event to plan? Have you noticed a maintenance issue that needs to be addressed? If so, please email Lynn Grubb, Business Administrator, at or give her a call in the office 433-1810 so she and Mike can work together to prioritize maintenance issues and prepare for events. This is a more efficient way of responding to requests than for many different people to give a variety of requests directly to Mike.

For events, we require 2 weeks notice in order to be prepared to set up audiovisual, sound, tables, etc. You can pick up a contract in the office (top tray by front counter), request one be sent by email or get it from the website. **For inside church events**, you may go through the on-line calendar and request your date, time and room. If the date and room is available, Lynn will approve your event and you will receive an email advising you of this. **For private events**, a request must be made in writing to the office. Once a contract is submitted, you will receive final confirmation from Lynn by email.

UPCOMING EVENTS



JUNE FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Dates: Friday, June 15, 2018

(Drive-In Movie Night)

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Christian Fellowship Center

Bring yourself. Bring your friends. Anyone who wants to have some fun is welcome! Join your church family for dinner and a movie. Gather in the Southminster Christian Fellowship Center (CFC) – the gym – at 6 for a drive-in inspired dinner: hot dogs, soft pretzels, nachos & cheese. Stay for a rollicking fun time. Dinner and snacks will be provided. Bring blankets, pillows, lawn chairs – something - to sit comfortably in the CFC to watch a movie. “Flushed Away” tells the story of Roddy, a rich, privileged pet rat who accidentally gets flushed down the toilet to discover a completely unknown underworld in the sewers. (Spoiler alert, there is some potty humor in this movie.) This Dreamworks animated adventure comes from the creators of Wallace & Grommit. If you’re not into movies, we hope you’ll still consider coming for dinner and an opportunity to visit with your church family.

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

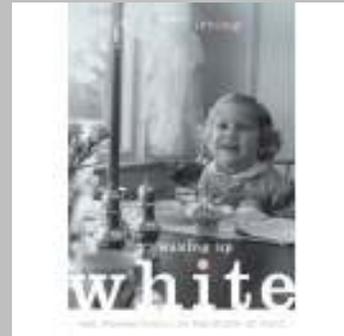
Dates: Friday mornings, June 1, 8, 15, and 22

Facilitator: Gay Amos

Times: 10:00-11:30am

Location: Hospitality Room

A book discussion on 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. 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).



SECRETS OF THE VINE BOOK DISCUSSION

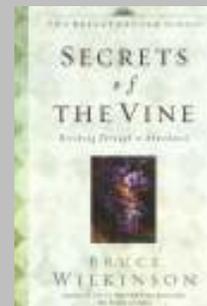
Dates: Sunday, July 8-August 26

Facilitator: Drew Fisher

Times: 8:45am-9:45am

Location: Hospitality Room

This class is a [book](#) discussion on the 15th chapter of the Gospel of John. Dr. Bruce Wilkinson, the author, explores what it means to have abundant life in Christ and how to experience the joy of making maximum impact for God. We will look at four levels of fruit bearing and three surprising secrets that will open your eyes to your unrealized potential in Him. No need to purchase the book; we will share both reading the book aloud and discussing its biblical insight for our lives.



THANK YOU

The Mission Team wishes to thank Jane Kessler for her dedication to the Food Pantry program at Southminster. She has supervised the program for five years and has "retired" from that position as of May 30. We wish her well and appreciate her time and efforts with this

Mission work. Kevin Dickson will be taking over for Jane. David Kaufmann will continue to work with the food purchasing and organizing. We continue to need people to deliver the food as well as a bread sorter. If anyone is interested in helping, please contact Kevin Dickson (937) 304-6293 or Gretchen Cleaves, Chair, Mission Team (937) 266-0161.

On behalf of Mary Kaiser and her family, we wish to thank everyone for their thoughtful “get well” wishes and prayers for her successful hip replacement. She is now in a three to four week rehabilitation program at Bethany Lutheran Village with the goal of walking again.

INFORMATION OF INTEREST

OFFICER TRAINING - SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 11:30 a.m.

Reminder that officer training for all elders/deacons is this Sunday after worship in the Community Room. Please bring your lunch and a drink. You can leave your lunch and drink in the Community Room refrigerator before Worship if you like.

PARKING LOT STRIPING MONDAY JUNE 11

The upper and side parking lots will not be accessible at that time.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - JUNE 24

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.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

TWEEN MISSION WEEK

Grades 4-8

Youth from Southminster and Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church will work together to make a difference in our community. Mission projects include working with the Dayton Food Bank, the Dayton Peace Museum, Kirkmont Camp, One Bistro and more.

Contact Kim@sminster.com to sign up.

Dates: July 9 – 13

Cost: \$20

Mon, July 9 9 AM – 4 PM

Tues, July 10 9 AM – 4 PM
Wed, July 11 8:15 AM – 4 PM
Thurs, July 12 9 AM – 4 PM
Fri, July 13 9 AM – 4 PM

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 | \$7,439 | \$(2,064) |
| Year to Date | \$199,563 | \$235,204 | \$35,641 |

• as of May 28, 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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