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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

### August 17, 2018

### FAMILY FUN NIGHT **TONIGHT!**

“pARTy” Fun Night – Southminster’s third Summer Fun Night. The night will begin in the Christian Fellowship Center with a delicious Pasta Dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by an exciting evening of art and craft activities. Everyone has a hidden artist hidden inside! Come and discover your creative self and help put ART in the “pARTy”. FOOD, FUN, FELLOWSHIP and SUPPLIES are all provided. Don’t miss it!



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**AED TRAINING**  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 22  
**Time:** 6:30-8:30pm  
**Place:** Christian Fellowship Center



If you are a currently trained in AED usage, please let the office know. Any questions?, please email Jeannette Woodworth or call her at 937-765-0908.

## **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS, & FALL FLING PICNIC**

**Date: Sunday, August 26**

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

**Place: Sanctuary, CFC, Pavilion, & “A Great Start Preschool” facility.**



The day will start with Worship and the children’s Blessings in the Sanctuary at 10:00 am, followed by a Picnic Lunch in the CFC/Pavilion, Games on the lawn next to the pavilion and an opportunity to tour “A Great Start Preschool”.

Sign up [here](#).

## **INQUIRER'S CLASS**

**Date: Sundays, September 9 and 23**

**Time: 11:30 a.m.**

**Place: Adult Lounge**

Interested in membership? Interested in just learning more about Southminster? If so, please join us after worship at 11:30 a.m. for a gathering with the pastor and members of the church who would like to listen to your questions and share their perspectives on our congregation. Our meeting should last about an hour and a half, so grab some coffee and a treat and join us! If interested, please email Lynn Grubb at the church office.

## **INTO THE WOODS, JR.**

**Date: Sunday, September 23**

**Time: 3:00 p.m.**

**Place: Town Hall Theater/Panera Bread**

When a baker and his wife learn they've been cursed with childlessness by the witch next door, they embark on a quest for the special objects required to break the spell, swindling, deceiving and stealing from Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Rapunzel and Jack and the Beanstalk. Senior theater tickets are available from Jacquie Ryan for \$12.00. Following the show, those interested, will have dinner at Panera Bread, which is across the driveway from the theater.

## THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING

**Date: Sunday, October 14**

Instead of our regular worship service, our service will be our worship as we answer Christ's call to love the neighbor that we don't even know.

*Please click the following [link](#) to learn more...*



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

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## GROWTH GROUPS

### WHO DID GOD CREATE AND GIFT ME TO BE?

**Dates: Sundays, September 9-October 28**

**Time: 8:45am**

**Facilitator: Marj Lawson**

**Location: Adult Lounge**

*It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living. . . – Ephesians 1:11*

You may register [here](#) or via the registration form in the Narthex.  
Who did God create and gift you to be?

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## STEPHEN MINISTRY CORNER

From a cut finger to a broken leg to a surgical procedure - healing takes time. As Stephen Ministers working with a care receiver, we focus on just that- *the healing*. When someone is hurting emotionally: grief, job loss, self or family member with a serious disease, they are focused on the here and now, not some unpredictable future. Cheerfully suggesting to a care receiver that they will be just fine, negates the pain they are in NOW! That is why Stephen Ministers are trained to focus on the **process** of healing by offering support, compassion, prayer. We recognize our role to be that of a care giver. We leave the **results** - the 'cure giving', to GOD.

## CHOIR NOTES



**THE CHOIR AND BELL CHOIR** season are starting soon! First rehearsals will occur **Wednesday, August 29th!**  
**Bell Choir:** 8/29/19 @ 4:00 pm in Sanctuary  
**Choir:** 8/29/19 @ 7:00 pm in Sanctuary  
If you have interest in joining either ensemble please contact [Ruth](#). Cannot wait to start the new music season!!

## CHOIR SECTION LEADER SEARCH

Southminster is looking for 2-3 paid choir section leaders - soprano, mezzo soprano, and tenor/baritone preferred.

**Compensation:** Negotiable based on degree level

**Qualifications:** Bachelor's degree in music or higher OR working towards a degree in music preferred

**Job Description:**

- Rehearsals - Wednesdays 7:00-8:30 pm September-May
- Sundays - 9:30-11:00 am September-May

**Contact:** If interested, email resume and cover letter to Ruth (ruth@sminster.com)

## WHAT BRINGS YOU JOY?

**What brings you JOY at Southminster?  
Share that JOY with one of the teams that need you**

### **Church Liturgist**

Reads at the beginning of church service (Chair Jane Barlow)

### **Usher Team**

Hands out the service bulletin and collects the offering (Chair Jane Barlow)

### **Sound Board Team**

controls the light and sound board during the services (Chair Jane Barlow)

### **Fellowship Team**

help to plan and executes church events (Chair Linda Wiggers)

### **Worship Team**

Help make our services special. (Chair Jane Barlow)

**Christian Education Team:** Assist with or lead Sunday School (2 people needed), Sermon 2.0 (3 people needed), Youth Group (3

people needed), Adult Growth Groups or Special Events. (Chair Jeanne Leatherbury)

## SOLES4SOULS

“Wearing out poverty one pair of shoes at a time.”

Soles4Souls is a non-profit organization based in Nashville, TN that provides “gently” worn shoes to those who need them most, creates jobs to help families step out of poverty, and most importantly, gives children and their families hope for a better life. We will be collecting shoes of all kinds in October and November so start cleaning out your closets and tell family and friends about this wonderful opportunity to help those in need. Look for the collection boxes mid-September in the narthex and by the office. Questions? You can contact Tammy Caskey at 776-8417 or [tkc1062@woh.rr.com](mailto:tkc1062@woh.rr.com).

## THE CASTLE

August and September sign-up sheets for food donations for The Castle are available on the Mission Board in the Narthex. Please consider donating food items to this local mission.

## OFFICE NOTES



Rev. Dr. Nancy Birdsong is on vacation and will return Tuesday, August 21.

### A Thank You Note

Deepest appreciation to my Southminster family and Pastor Nancy for the prayers, cards and calls that sustained me in my recent surgery and recuperation. Blessings to you all, *Pat Bethel*

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### Update on Mid-Worship Children's Programs

**This Sunday, August 19** is the last Sunday for Music with Ruth/Gardening with Kim. Next Sunday, August 26, is Blessing of the Backpacks and we will have a special activity for children following children's time. On Sunday, **September 2** (Labor Day Weekend), we will be taking a break (no children's program mid-worship).

**Sunday, September 9** begins our Christian Education program year, which includes Children & Worship and Sermon 2.0.

**Christian Education Programs Begin September 9**

The following Christian Education Programs will begin Sunday, September 9:

**8:45 – 9:45 AM:** Children’s Sunday School (Room 202), Adult Growth Group: Who Did God Gift Me to Be? (Room 205, Adult Lounge), Parent’s Growth Group (Location TBA)

**Mid-Worship:** Children and Worship (Room 225), Sermon 2.0 (Ark Room)

\*More information about Christian Education Programs including Youth Group, PB’nJ Puppets, Parents’ Night Out and more coming soon.

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                | \$7,401              | \$(2,102)           |
| Year to Date | \$304,096              | \$319,559            | \$15,463            |

• as of August 13, 2018

**Our current estimated full year earnings shortfall is \$(66,000)**

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