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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**

### **September 6, 2019**

#### **NOTES FROM NANCY**

***“Sing and make music from your heart to God.”***

*Ephesians 5: 19b*

Our full choir will start singing in worship again this Sunday!

God created us with special creative gifts, including the gift of making music. At Southminster, we are blessed with our singing and bell choirs, led by our talented Director of Music Ministries, Ruth Whatley, and organist, Jim Pera. They are always looking for new choir members, so please contact Ruth if you are interested! I can guarantee that you will have fun and that you will enjoy making a joyful noise with others!

Ruth is also working toward developing a children's choir. I have heard so many glowing reports from little ones about how much they enjoy their time with her in Vacation Bible School, and I

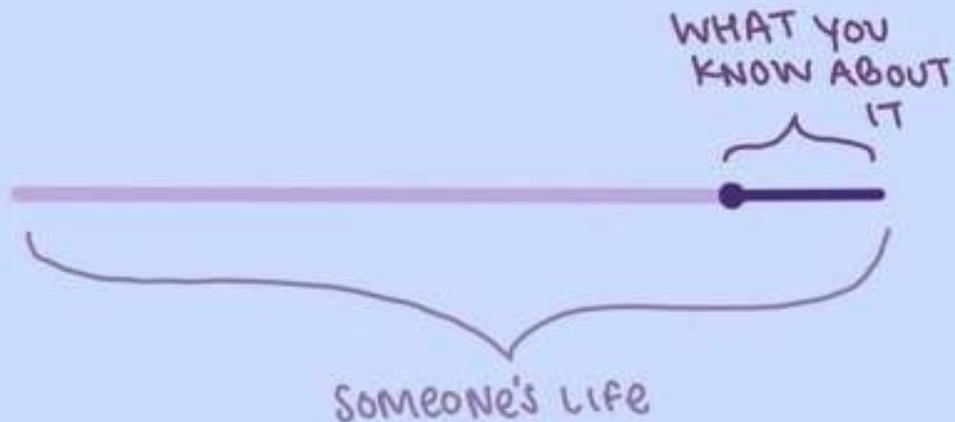
know that she will provide a wonderful experience for them in a choir!

Those who participate in the music program learn how to offer their own gifts; and those of us who listen, discover how music can sometimes express faith in ways that the spoken word does not touch. Thank you to all who participate in the ministry of music, delighting us, and I imagine, delighting God.

Peace and blessings,  
Nancy

**LINES FROM LAURA**

# WHY YOU SHOULD BE GENTLE WITH PEOPLE



@DECADE2DOODLES

This week as I finally hung art on my newly painted office walls, I placed a copy of this little cartoon on my bulletin board:

Whenever I see it, it serves as a simple reminder to that everyone around me is going through far more than I could ever guess. When I am frustrated with someone, it's easy to slip into believing the worst about them or their intentions but when I see this, I am reminded that there could be a thousand reasons for their behavior.

If you are feeling frustrated or exasperated with someone this week, I hope this graphic reminds you to treat them with gentleness. Lord knows, we could all use a bit more of it in our lives!

## A WORD FROM RUTH



We are starting a children's choir at Southminster! If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Ruth at [ruth.mappes@gmail.com](mailto:ruth.mappes@gmail.com).

## EVENTS IN THE COMING WEEK

### CHURCH TOUR

**Date:** Sunday, September 8, 2019

**Time:** Following Worship

**Place:** Meet at Welcome Center

Steve Davis will offer a tour of the church, following Worship. Meet him at the Welcome Center for this tour which will take about 45 minutes.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### FALL INQUIRER'S DAY

**Date:** Sunday, September 22

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

**Place:** Hospitality Room

Interested in Membership? Interested in just learning more about Southminster? If so, please email [office@sminster.com](mailto:office@sminster.com) or speak to someone at the Welcome Desk on Sunday.

## GROWTH GROUPS

### THE PARABLES

**Dates:** Sunday mornings beginning September 15

**Time:** 8:45-9:45am

**Location:** Adult Lounge

Facilitated by Steve Davis. Go to our [website](#) for more information.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Two new Sunday School classes for children begin this Sunday!

- 4 years - 2nd Grade (Room 202)
- 3rd Grade - 5th Grade (Room 206)

Children will leave for class during the last hymn in worship. Youth will typically leave after the benediction but this week, are invited to attend the youth and parent meeting in the Adult Lounge. Class ends at 11:30 a.m. A small snack will be provided. Parents are encouraged to enjoy fellowship in the coffee corner during this time.

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

## INFORMATION OF INTEREST

### HAVE YOU PAID YOUR PER CAPITA?

In the Presbyterian Church (USA), we have a connectional system with the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. Every member of every church is assessed a Per Capita amount of \$48.20 per individual (not per family) to help these bodies of the church do their work of mission and congregational support.

We will have to take the money out of our funds that we need for our own budget to pay for members who do not pay for themselves. Please consider paying your Per Capita for 2019 and mark your check (or cash donation) specifically for this purpose.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

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