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NEWS & NOTES

September 14, 2018

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I am sad to have to share with you the news that Marion and Dave Kauffman's son, Patrick, died on Thursday evening, surrounded by his family. He courageously fought cancer for 10 months, and while the family is heartbroken, they are grateful that he is no longer suffering. Patrick was only 40 years old. He was a bright, giving, compassionate and kind young man who leaves behind his wife, Karen, and their three children, Jeremiah (13), Emma (11), and Christian (9).

A memorial service in celebration of Patrick's life will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 18 at the Methodist Theological School of Ohio, 3081 Columbus Pike, Delaware, Ohio 43015. The service will be held in the Centrum (large chapel), near the library, close to the entrance of the campus. I

believe that it takes between an hour and a half to an hour and 45 minutes to get there from Centerville. I plan to go if at all possible, so if anyone wants to carpool, please let me know.

I do not yet know about visitation hours but will send a “Constant Contact” email if I find out that any have been scheduled.

Friends of Patrick set up a “Go Fund Me” Page where people can donate to help with the medical expenses as well as future expenses for his wife and children. If you are interested in making a contribution, go to <https://www.gofundme.com/kaufmans> to find the information.

Our hearts go out to all of Patrick’s family and loved ones. Please keep them in your prayers.

May God’s peace be with all of you,
Nancy

UPCOMING EVENTS

INQUIRER'S CLASS

Date: Sunday, September 23

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Adult Lounge

Interested in learning more about Southminster? Possibly interested in membership? If so, please join us after worship at 11:30 a.m. for a gathering with the pastors 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](mailto:Lynn.Grubb@churchoffice.com) at the church office.

FLU CLINIC

Date: Sundays, September 23

Time: 11:00a.m.-12:30p.m. (immediately following Worship)

Place: Hospitality Room

Cough, Sneeze, Sniffle, Wheeze . . .

Don't let the flu ruin your holidays. Southminster will again be hosting a flu clinic to help the community and members make sure they are vaccinated against the flu! Community and members welcome! Walk-

ins only. *(Those going to the Inquirer's Class can skip to the front of the line.)*

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 Jacque Ryan for \$12.00. Following the show, those interested, will have dinner at Panera Bread, which is across the driveway from the theater.

ELDERBERRIES

Date: Friday, October 5

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: Christian Fellowship Center

Everyone over the age of 55 is invited to join the Elderberries on October 5 in the CFC for fellowship, lunch and a program on Wright Patterson Air Force Base's newest hangar. Fellowship is at 11:00 followed by lunch at 11:30 and the program at 12:00. Lunch will be sloppy joes, tossed salad, and lemon dessert and can be purchased for \$7.00 or you can bring your own lunch. Our own Dan Strayer, Air Force retiree and tour guide at the Base, will present the program on Wright Patterson's newest hangar. For further information, see the poster in the Narthex. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex or you can call the office for reservations.

GENEALOGY INTEREST GROUP

Date: Friday, October 12

Time: 12:00 Noon

Place: Hospitality Room

A new genealogy group is getting off the ground as a place to share genealogy information. This can be anywhere from how to get started, how to use Find-A-Grave, to using on-line resources (state and local resources, Facebook groups, Ancestry, etc.). Kathy Jester is the contact person for the group. Her email is r.a.jester@sbcglobal.net. First meeting is a lunch and a meet and greet and is scheduled for **Friday, October 12 at 12:00 p.m.** in the

Hospitality Room. Please bring a dish to share and call the office to RSVP. All are welcome!

THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING

Date: Sunday, October 14

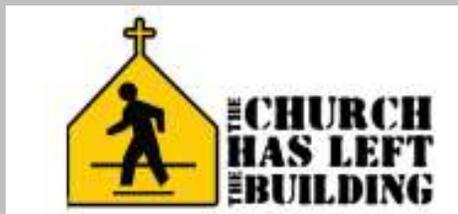
Our Mission Team is challenging us to take a Sunday when we focus on

being the “hands” (and “the feet”) of

Christ, reaching out in love to the world beyond our doors. **PLEASE**

SIGN UP on the sheets underneath the poster in the narthex. We hope that all members of the church will take part in this special day of service.

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



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

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?

THE HATE YOU GIVE

Dates: Friday, September 21

Time: 10:00am-11:30am

Facilitator: Lois Thorp

Location: Hospitality Room

Book Discussion Group: Anyone who enjoys a good book is invited to a discussion on “*The Hate U Give*”. This story is about a 16 year old African-American girl whose world falls apart when she witnesses the shooting death of her friend by a white policeman. It is a gritty portrayal of life through her eyes as she

cope with the situation and the growing anger within her community, as well as her own emotional roller coaster. The book is very well written by 1st time author Angie Thomas. The language is often rough, but it comes across as real – not used simply for shock value. This book continues the on-going process, endorsed and supported by the Christian Education Team, of looking at social issues and injustices faced by people of color. Come, join in or listen to a friendly, serious, and lively discussion of the book, its issues and how they relate to us and to our world. Questions? See Lois Thorp, Gay Amos, or Pat Elliott.

SEX + FAITH: TALKING WITH YOUR CHILD FROM BIRTH TO ADOLESCENCE

Dates: Sundays, October 7, 21, 28; Nov. 4, 11

Time: 8:45am-9:45am

Facilitator: Gay Amos

Are you uncomfortable talking with your kids about sexuality? This class helps overcome those fears by combining faith values with age-appropriate sexual information and conversation, biological growth, and developmental issues.

Click [here](#) for more information.

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

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Youth Programs Begin September 30

Puppet Ministry (Grades 3-12)

Time: Sundays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Location: Room 200 (Community Room)

The PB'nJ (Proud Believers in Jesus) Puppet Ministry performs periodically during worship and other church events.

Session 1: September 30 – November 18

Session 2: January 6 – March 17

Session 3: April 7 – May 12

Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

Time: Sunday Nights, 7:30 – 8:30

Location: Room 213 (Ark Room)

Youth Group is a time for fun, fellowship, and growing in faith. We will talk about issues that are relevant to the life of youth as well as participate in outings and mission projects. Youth Group follows the same schedule as Pb'nJ Puppets.

***The Hate U Give* Book Discussion Group (Youth ages 12+ and Adults)**

Dates: Sundays, November 4, 11, 18

Time: 11:30 am- 12:30 pm (Movie time TBA)

Location: Room 213 (Ark Room)

Join us as we read and discuss one of the most acclaimed YA books of the year, then we'll head to the theater to watch the movie! In this book, Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed.

*Contains explicit language and mature themes

Retreats and Lock-ins

Youth have the opportunity to participate in off-site retreats and church lock-ins. Be sure to put these dates on your calendar now. More information to come.

- Mid-Year Lock-In: January 20 -21, Southminster Presbyterian Church
- Presbyterian Youth Connection Spring Retreat at Kirkmont Camp
- Presbyterian Youth Triennium, Purdue University, July 16-20

Questions:

Kim Catchpole, Interim Director of Children's & Youth Ministry,

Email: kim@sminster.com

INFORMATION OF INTEREST

ATTENTION PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS: If you would like your student who is attending college away from home to receive a care package to let them know members of their home congregation are thinking of them, we need their school address. Please send their name and address to Darlene Irwin (irwind@woh.rr.com) or contact the church office before September 17.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING -SEPTEMBER 30

A brief Congregational Meeting, for the purpose of electing Dale Berger to fill an opening on the Nominating Committee, will take place next Sunday, September 30, following worship.

COOKING CLASS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Jean Clements will be teaching four Thursday cooking classes in October for a small group of parents. She is seeking volunteer assistance. Please contact Jean at jclem1402@gmail.com or 545-3286.

THE CASTLE

Due to the generosity of Southminster members, the September 23 food donations are covered. The sign-up sheets for October and November are located on the Mission board in the Narthex. Food items do not need to be homemade, but purchased items must be fresh and not beyond their expiration dates. Please consider donating in October and November to this very worthy local mission.

SOLES4SOULS

We will be collecting new or “gently” worn shoes for those in need during October 1 through November 16. Collection boxes are located in the narthex, office and preschool. Please contact Tammy Caskey for further information at 776-8417 or tkc1062@woh.rr.com. You can also visit the website at soles4souls.org

CONTRIBUTIONS

Southminster Contributions – 2018*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$9,503	\$7,017	\$(2,486)
Year to Date	\$342,108	\$371,289	\$29,181

* as of September 10, 2018

Our current estimated full year earnings shortfall is \$(55,000), excluding gain/loss from investments.

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