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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

October 26, 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

Last Sunday, there was a *Time and Talent Information Form* in your worship bulletin, and you will find one at the bottom of this edition of *News and Notes*. If you have filled one out in previous years, why are we asking you to do it again?

Stewardship is about more than finances. Yes, Southminster Presbyterian Church needs the financial commitment of our members so that we do not have to forgo needed building repairs or end up cutting programs and staff. However, Stewardship is about all of life.

"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it." (Ps 24:1)

Every good gift is from God, and God asks us to be good care-takers of those gifts. Our time, our talents, our special abilities, our energy and enthusiasm, our faithfulness and joy: all are opportunities to make God a priority in how we approach our time on this earth.

A church staff seeks to equip, encourage, educate and love the members of a congregation in ways that help those members answer their own calls to ministry. As you look over the *Time and Talent Information Form* below, please reflect on what you are doing now and what you might consider doing in the future. Even if

don't have a place to utilize a particular gift right away, we can share your interest with the appropriate group so they will know about you.

Please note that the information form also gives you a place to update your contact information and give us an emergency contact person.

Thank you for all the things you already do in the life of Southminster Presbyterian Church. Because of your commitment to try to be "the head, heart, and hands of Jesus Christ," our congregation is making a difference in people's lives both in the church and in the community. **Join us for the November 11 "Facets of Faith: Luck Lunch," sponsored by the Fellowship Team in celebration of the ways that you share your gifts.**

Peace and blessings,
Nancy

FEATURED EVENT



TRUNK OR TREAT - THIS SUNDAY!

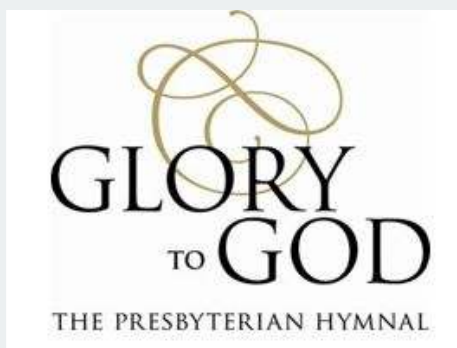
Date: Sunday, October 28

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Southminster Presbyterian Church Front Parking Lot

Come in costume for a fun-filled evening. Event kicks off with a not-scary Halloween-themed puppet show at 6:30 PM followed by trick-or-treating. For more information contact Kim@sminster.com

GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL



In order to provide Southminster with the current hymnal of the Presbyterian Church (USA) called *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*, the session is asking individual congregation members purchase one or as many as they choose. Each book costs \$20 and can be given:

- in honor of people you know,
- in memory of a loved one or friend,
- or just as a gift you want to present to the church.

Bookplates with this information will be added to the front page of each hymnal. The deadline for contributions is Monday, December 17. Please see more information as well as the order/dedication form further down in this edition of *News and Notes*.

EVENTS



ELDERBERRIES LUNCHEON AND PROGRAM

Date: Friday, November 2, 2018

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: Christian Fellowship Center

Come aboard and enjoy a ride in a canal boat with Pat Bethel, who will give a presentation about the Erie Canal. The account highlights the

need for a waterway to the west, the sheer grit and determination of those who braved the hardships in the building of America and the significance of its completion. A salute to the accomplishments of our pioneers! Lunch is chicken pot pie, apple Waldorf salad and a pumpkin desert. The cost is \$7.00 for lunch, or you can bring a bagged lunch instead. You can RSVP by calling the office at 433-1810 or by signing up in the Narthex and outside the office.



GENEALOGY INTEREST GROUP

Date: Friday, November 9

Time: 12:00 Noon

Place: Coffee Corner

Facilitator: Kathy Jester

Our first meeting was a success! The group shared their own personal genealogy journeys and were introduced to how DNA testing (genetic genealogy) can help expand branches of the family tree.

We meet monthly for a lunch and meeting on the second Friday of the month. Please bring a dish to share and email [Kathy](#) or the [office](#) to RSVP. All are welcome!



FACETS OF FAITH POT LUCK LUNCH

Date: Sunday, November 11, 2018

Time: Following Worship

Place: Christian Fellowship Center

Join your Southminster Family as we come together on this Dedication Sunday and as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of our Sanctuary's Faceted Glass Window. Bring your favorite dish to share (leave it in the CFC kitchen before Worship). You can RSVP [here](#).

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADVERTISE YOUR SOUTHMINSTER SMALL GROUP OR EVENT?

If so, please fill out an on-line [publication request form](#) or pick up a hard copy in the office and we will run an article about your event in the bulletin, News & Notes and Facebook.



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

GROWTH GROUPS

THE HATE U GIVE BOOK DISCUSSION

For 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)

To Sign Up: Email Kim@sminster.com

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.

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

INFORMATION OF INTEREST

GREETERS NEEDED FOR 2019

Calling all friendly faces! Do you have a warm smile and a handshake? If so, the Invitation Team needs you for their Greeter Ministry. If you are interested in welcoming guests and members on Sunday morning, please visit the Invitation Team table set up in the Narthex this month and sign up. If greeting is not your thing, the Invitation Team is also looking for help with their Welcome Desk ministry, Building Tour ministry, and Shepherding ministry. To learn more about all the Invitation Team does, visit the table in the Narthex and <https://www.sminster.com/teams/invitation>.

FOOD PANTRY

Fish Southeast Food Pantry Call for Volunteers! FISH Southeast Food Pantry is a multi-denominational volunteer food pantry based out of Southminster Presbyterian Church. We are in need of 2-4 Callers and 2-4 Deliverers to fill one or two time slots per month. Callers set up deliveries with clients on Monday or Wednesday mornings. Deliverers coordinate the delivery of food that afternoon. 1-2 hour commitment.

For more information, or to become involved in this ministry, contact Kevin Dickson at fishsoutheast@yahoo.com.

THE CASTLE

The sign-up sheet for November is 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 November to this very worthy local mission.

SOLES4SOULS

Just a reminder to bring in your new or gently worn shoes. We will be collecting them up until Friday, November 16th. Once all the shoes are collected we will be boxing them up and delivering them to a drop off location in Cincinnati, and then they will go to the distribution center in Nashville, TN. If you have any questions please contact Tammy Caskey at 937-776-8417 or tkc1062@woh.rr.com

A GREAT START PRESCHOOL

A GREAT START PRESCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Where: Preschool Prom (Fall Fundraiser) at A Great Start Preschool (Southminster CFC)

Who: Adults (responsible high schoolers welcome)

When: Friday, November 16, 2018 (event is 6-8:30, help needed 5:30-9:30, any time would be appreciated)

What: Volunteers need to help in the Craft Room, with Coat Check, and keeping dessert table and drinks stocked throughout the evening.

If you can help, please call Christina Miller at 937-312-1621 or email christina@agreatstartpreschool.com

CONTRIBUTIONS

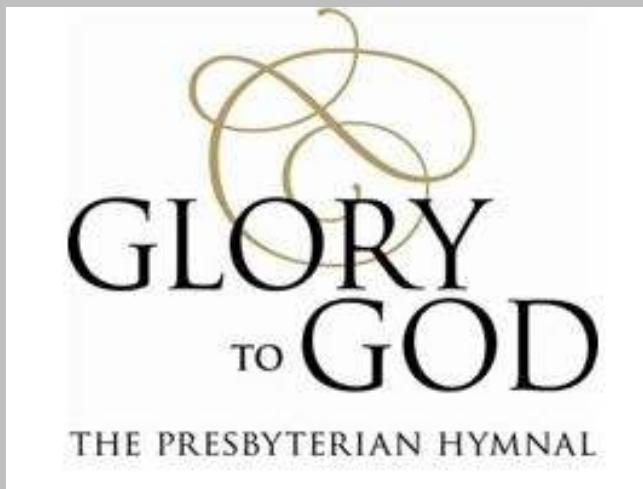
Southminster Contributions – 2018*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$9,503	\$11,832	\$2,329
Year to Date	\$399,126	\$413,763	\$14,637

* as of October 22, 2018

Our current estimated full year earnings shortfall is \$(68,600), excluding gain/loss from investments and capitalized assets.

GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL



WHY GET THE GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL?

- It is much easier to read for both the congregation and choir.
- It contains songs that are currently being sung by the vast majority of Presbyterian churches but are absent from our services. *(It was published 5 years ago)*
- It has over 800 hymns, psalms and spiritual songs, including a wider variety of communion hymns. It includes a musical setting for every Psalm, music from six different continents, and music covering all major historical and contemporary sacred genres, including 35 Gospel hymns.
- Most congregations, including this one, only sang about half of the hymns in the old blue hymnal (published almost 30 years ago). The new hymnal takes those most frequently used hymns and adds some of the older hymns that people missed when they were excluded from the blue hymnal.

ORDER NOW! You can fill out the form below and send it or bring it to the church along with your check.

**NEW HYMNAL DEDICATION FORM
“Glory to God”**

Use a separate form for each hymnal. Each hymnal is \$20. Please make your check out to Southminster Presbyterian Church and put “new hymnal” on the memo line.

In Memory of _____

by: _____

In Honor of _____

by: _____

**Presented to
Southminster Presbyterian Church**

by: _____

Your Name: _____

Contact Phone (in case there are any questions) _____

Please enclose your check.

TIME AND TALENT INFORMATION FORM

The giving of our time and talents in the service of Christ is part of our Christian calling as good stewards of all God's gifts. Even if you have filled out a form in the past, please consider this form again. Each family member should fill out an individual form)

Name _____

Any contact information that has changed (cell phone, address, email): _____

Emergency Contact Person and Number: _____

(This is especially helpful if we need to find out if you are in the hospital.)

Buildings & Grounds Team _____

_____ Help with special projects

Communication Team _____

_____ Website

_____ Audio/Visual

Christian Education _____

_____ Growth Groups

_____ Learning Resource Center

_____ Children & Worship

_____ Sermon 2.0

_____ Nursery & Special Needs

_____ Sunday School

_____ Vacation Bible School

_____ PB&J Puppet Ministry

_____ Special events

_____ Children and Youth Design Team

_____ Parent's Night Out

Youth Ministry
 Finance Team
 Offering Counters
 Mission Team
 Habitat Build
 The Castle
 Family Nutrition
 House of Bread
 Emergency Assistance
 Missionary Support
 VA Hospital Christmas Gifts
 FISH Southeast Food Pantry
 Church Has Left the Building group leader

Worship Team
 Communion Setup
 Communion Servers
 Candles
 Gallery
 Choir
 Bell Choir
 Ushers
 Sound System
 Computer
 Epiphany Feast
 Drama
 Liturgist

Invitation/ Welcome Team
 Buddies
 New Members
 Sharing our Gifts & Talents
 Welcome Desk
 Greeters
 Interest Groups
 Church Tours

Fellowship Team
 Bereavement Receptions
 Coffee Corner
 Elderberries
 Stewardship Dedication & Thank You Meal
 Backpack Blessing/New Program Year BBQ
 Advent Family Celebration
 Epiphany Feast

- Maundy Thursday meal
- Heritage Sunday Meal
- Small Fellowship Groups

Stewardship
 Help with congregational mailing

Nominating Team

- Deacons: Prayer and Presence
- Care Connection Callers
 - Care Notes
 - Follow-up Calls
 - Hello, Good Morning
 - Home Communion
 - Homebound Visitation
 - Hospital & Rehab Visitation
 - Intercessory Prayer Group
 - Prayer Chains
 - Stephen Ministry

- Deacons: Compassion & Assistance
- AED/CPR Training & Oversight
 - Anxiety/Depression Group
 - College Care Packages
 - Flu Prevention Clinic
 - Grief Support Group
 - Home-touch Letter
 - Needlecraft Group
 - Sanctuary Flowers
 - Share Your Garden
 - Take Them a Meal Program
 - Tangible Items of Prayer and Blessing,
including: Prayer Shawls, Comfort
Wraps, Blankets Prayer Squares
 - Sanctuary Lambs

Are there any talents/services you might offer on an as-needed basis?

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