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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

November 9, 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



*Join us for Dedication Sunday,
A Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Faceted Glass Window,
and the*

“Facets of Faith” Potluck Thank-You Lunch!

In recent weeks, members have taught us about the history and symbolism of our beautiful, faceted-glass window and how each piece plays a vital part in its beauty. I hope you will join us this Sunday for worship and for our celebration potluck lunch, honoring all of the ways that you contribute to the life and ministry of the church.

When we go to the CFC for lunch, you will see a large display with an outline of the window. Attached to it are small pieces of colored paper on which some of our members have written ways that they share their gifts of time and talent with the church. It could be anything: singing in the choir, cleaning up the kitchen, working on the Habitat build, or any of the wide array of gifts that you share. If you haven't yet included your own gifts on the display, please write them on strips of paper located near it. (There is no need for a name.)

On this Stewardship Dedication Sunday, we hope, if you haven't already, that you will bring your pledge card in an envelope to place in the offering plate. Pledges help us to form Southminster's budget. Your contributions enable us to offer the ministry and programs of the church, to maintain the buildings, and to keep the staff. It is not about a particular amount, but about what you, considering your own circumstances, prayerfully consider as a faithful response to God.

After the Stewardship Team challenged the Elders and Deacons to send their pledges the week before Dedication Sunday, we received 99 percent. That is a great start!

Thank you so very much for all that you do to support Southminster's commitment to shine the light of Christ in this world.

Peace and blessings,
Nancy

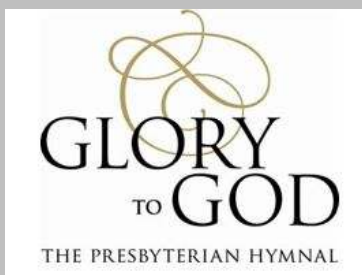


Ojulu and Abang Opothi and their children, Rachael and Bungire, wish to thank the members of Southminster Presbyterian Church for their generous contributions to help them in a time of need. They were able to assist their family back in Ethiopia with the funeral costs for Ojulu's mother, and they were able to purchase a safe, used car that will be a big help in getting to their jobs and around town. The Opothis are grateful for the kind hearts of their church family. When friends and relatives were killed and kidnapped in their hometown in Ethiopia, Ojulu and Abang also found comfort in knowing that you were praying for their loved ones. Christian compassion, generosity and friendship can make a beautiful difference in the world.

WHAT IS YOUR TALENT?

DID YOU FILL OUT A NEW TIME AND TALENTS FORM?
If not, please use [this link](#) to go to the Website for the form and turn it in to the church as soon as possible.

GLORY TO GOD HYMNAL



If you are willing to help us obtain the current hymnal of the Presbyterian Church (USA) called *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal* by purchasing one or more books, please fill out a form and send a check with "new hymnal" on the memo line. 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 by following [this link](#) to a form on our website.

EVENTS

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](#).

GRIEF GROUP (SOUP GROUP)

Date: Thursday, November 15

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Place: Coffee Corner

"Christ led fellowship, support and information for a grief journey"
The next Soup Group gathering will be this Thursday, November 15 at 12:00 in the Coffee Corner. Please bring your own lunch and I will have hot coffee or tea for everyone. We will be discussing Dr. Wolfelt's book, *Understanding Your Grief*. I look forward to seeing everyone this Thursday. -Jane Hancock

ORDINATION OF ANNE FYFFE

Date: Sunday, November 18

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: Sanctuary/Narthex

We are honored to be able to host Anne's ordination and celebrate her pastoral calling. The ordination will be located in the Sanctuary.



GUSTAFER YELLOWGOLD

Date: Saturday, November 24

Time: 11:00am

Place: CFC

A free concert of story-songs and hand-drawn videos by Grammy Nominated Artist



Morgan Taylor. Please bring a nonperishable food item for the Fish Food Pantry.

ANGEL NIGHT

Date: Thursday, November 29

Time: 5:00-9:00pm

Place: Calvary Cemetery

"An Evening of Song and Celebration"

A free, family friendly event, featuring fifteen, illuminated, Victorian angels which you can view by walking trail, wagon, trolley or van. Live music in historic St. Henry Memorial Chapel. Cookie decorating and children's craft area. Free parking. Boy Scout Troop 516 will be volunteering at this event.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Date: Saturday, December 8

Time: 9:00-11:00am

Place: CFC

Get into the Christmas spirit by enjoying a yummy breakfast with the big guy. Santa will arrive during breakfast and will be available for pictures (bring your own camera). Teens are invited to come help with the breakfast crew (be there by 8:30 AM). For more information, contact Mark Locke at locke9233@gmail.com or (937) 748-9233.



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

GROWTH GROUPS

THE HATE U GIVE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Changes and Updates

For Youth ages 12+ and Adults

Dates: Sundays, November 11 and 18

Time: 1:00 pm/Movie Time TBA

Location: Room 213 (Ark Room)

For Youth ages 12+ and Adults

Book Discussion - November 11

Due to the Stewardship/ Thank you dinner, the book discussion group will meet in the Ark Room at 1PM. Please RSVP to Kim if you are able to attend.

Movie Outing - November 18

All are welcome to join us in watching the movie (you don't have to have read the book). Movie times are not yet listed for this date, but the plan is to go in the late afternoon. Coffee and conversation afterward are optional. Please let Kim know if you want to go see the movie by Friday, November 15 so that tickets can be purchased in advance. **To Sign Up: Email Kim@sminster.com**

WHITE RAGE/WE ARE NOT EQUAL BOOK DISCUSSION

Dates: Friday, November 16

Time: 10:00-11:30am

Location: Hospitality Room

Please join us for a discussion of the book *White Rage* by Carol Anderson (the book is available in both teen and adult format). The teen version, *We Are Not Yet Equal*, is formatted with more reader-friendly print, and includes some extra background. The group will be facilitated by Barb VanDoren. You can email Barb at bdvand@gmail.com.

ADULT EDUCATION ADVENT STUDY

NAMES FOR THE MESSIAH

Dates: Sundays, November 25-December 23

Time: 8:45-9:45am

Location: Adult Lounge

Wonderful Counselor. Mighty God. Everlasting Father. Prince of Peace. All are used by the Prophet Isaiah to describe the coming Messiah. But how did people in Isaiah's time understand these titles, how did Jesus fulfill or not fulfill them and how do Christians view Jesus as representative of each title? This 5-week Advent study facilitated by Steve Davis will explore these questions using the book *Names for the Messiah* by renowned Old Testament scholar Walter Brueggemann. All are welcome!

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

INFORMATION OF INTEREST

PASTOR STEVE SCHUMM will be on vacation from November 12 until November 18. The latter part of next week, he and the kids will

accompany his wife, Joni, to Denver, CO for the academy of homiletics annual meeting (meeting jointly with the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature). The first part of next week Pastor Steve will be working on home projects and preparing for the trip to Colorado. Steve will be back in the office Monday, November 19.

PARKING LOT REMINDER

We have had several incidents of people driving too fast through the parking lot and most concerning, not stopping at the stop bars. Please drive slowly and carefully as we want to be sure our preschool children, staff, members and visitors are safe at all times.

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

CONTRIBUTIONS

Southminster Contributions – 2018*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$9,503	\$36,224	\$26,721
Year to Date	\$418,132	\$455,653	\$37,521

• as of November 5, 2018
Our current estimated full year earnings shortfall is \$(68,600), excluding gain/loss from investments and capitalized assets.

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