



SOUTHMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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From the Pastor

As we transition into Summer 2018, Southminster Church has much for which to be thankful. Last fall's recarpeting and refreshing in the Sanctuary, while not exactly intentional, ended up giving us much more flexibility than we ever envisioned. We can have a very traditional worship space (almost exactly as it was before the refresh with the exception of the front platform), or a really different "worship in the round" orientation if it suits our needs. That was a precursor to this spring's water heater burst in the rear of the building which led to a total refresh of the nursery and some additional work in my office. Because of the dedication of the Building and Grounds Team, we've stretched out our dollars far further than we thought possible.

During a period when we've lost some familiar faces, we have also been blessed with wonderful guest traffic in recent Sundays. In my experience, the reasons people choose to attend (or not) worship in a given place and time are complex. No single thing gives rise to new people in the life of a community. More likely, it is the confluence of multiple influences. For example, almost two years ago, the Nurture Team spearheaded a new direction for our youth discipleship and nurture: Discovery Zone. The initial enthusiasm eventually tempered itself to a fairly solid group who gathered weekly. The number of children who were a part of our community didn't change that first year, but of late Discovery Zone seems to have hit its stride and we've got a really solid group of pre-

elementary and young elementary age kids involved. Now, Southminster is a solid option for families with younger kids. That uptick has now spread into our general worship on Sunday.

Through the spring of this year, between 20 and 25 percent of our Sunday morning group is guests, people who don't worship with us on a "regular" basis. That has meant some adjustment to the music, liturgy and "style" of our worship. What was a theoretical conversation a few years ago ("what might church look like for people who weren't raised in our particular kind of church?") is now a very central consideration given the group gathered on Sundays for worship.

We come now to a season of rest. We've accomplished a lot, in some respects more than we could have imagined or asked for. The next few months are important: we have a smallish group of people who through their dedication and hard work project a much larger presence. For next fall to pick up where we are right now, we will need people who are willing to engage, to volunteer, to grow into new roles. For that to happen, we need to get some rest and refreshment in the weeks ahead. As we turn our attention to summer's concerns (traveling, recreation, new adventures), let us do so with grateful hearts for all God has done among us. Let us do so looking forward to what God will do with and among us in the church year to come.

Happy vacationing Southminster!

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2018 Bible-in-a-Year Journey

Fri Jun 1	1 Tim 5-6, Job 13-14
Sat Jun 2	2Tim 1-2, Job 15-16
Mon Jun 4	2Tim 3-4, Job 17-18
Tue Jun 5	Titus 1-2, Job 19-20
Wed Jun 6	Titus 3-Philemon, Job 21-22
Thur Jun 7	Heb 1-2, Job 23-24
Fri Jun 8	Heb 3-4, Job 25-26
Sat Jun 9	Heb 5-6, Job 27-28

Mon Jun 11	Heb 7-8, Job 29-30
Tue Jun 12	Heb 9-10, Job 31-32
Wed Jun 13	Heb 11-13, Job 33-34
Thur Jun 14	Heb 13-James 1, Job 35-36
Fri Jun 15	James 2-3, Job 37-38
Sat Jun 16	James 4-5, Job 39-40
Mon Jun 18	1Peter 1-2, Job 41-42
Tue Jun 19	1Peter 3-4, Ecclesiastes 1-2
Wed Jun 20	1Peter 5-2Peter 1, Ecclesiastes 3-4
Thur Jun 21	2Peter 2-3, Ecclesiastes 5-6
Fri Jun 22	1John 1-2, Ecclesiastes 7-8
Sat Jun 23	1John 3-4, Ecclesiastes 9-10
Mon Jun 25	1John 5-2John, Ecclesiastes 11-12
Tue Jun 26	3John-Jude, Ecc. 13-Song of Solomon 1
Wed Jun 27	Song of Solomon 2-5
Thur Jun 28	Song of Solomon 6-8
Fri Jun 29	Deuteronomy 1-4
Sat Jun 30	Deuteronomy 5-8

Nurture

Marnie Winkelman/Wendy Woodley

On Saturday June 2nd a neighborhood and church wide youth bottle drive will take place from Noon until 2:00pm. Middle school and high school youth will meet at the church and canvass the neighborhood for the collection of bottle and can donations.

Church members can drop off their cans and bottles at the church during this time also. If you prefer to have them picked up at your home, please let Giovanna or Wendy know, we will be happy to do so.

The monies collected from the donations will support funding of the youth “Feet to Faith” mission trip planned for July 22nd through 27th in Canfield, Ohio. The middle school and high school youth and their chaperones will be doing work in both urban and rural mission sites in and around Canfield during their week there. There are 7 middle/high school aged youth, 4 college age young adults and 4 chaperone/sponsors attending the event. This is a great experience for our youth and we appreciate your continued support.

Pastor Clint has been leading small group studies on the material covered in the readings from the Journey through the Bible in a year. Adult classes are offered on Sunday morning and on online Wednesday evening at 8:00pm. The number of people following the reading plan has been encouraging and attendance of the classes has been amazing. This journey through the Bible continues to be a great learning experience for all of us.

The Pentecost biblical lesson series began on May 20th and the Pentecost stories Wind, Fire and Faith will be studied through to the last Discovery Zone session on June 10th at 10am. This last morning we will do a review and quiz session on the stories we’ve covered since the beginning of this year.

The weekly Sunday evening youth group meetings for middle and high school will resume in September, they will not be meeting regularly in June, July or August.

Congratulations 2018 Graduates! All 2018 graduates will be recognized on June 10th during the 11:00am worship service. We will be recognizing Scott Fraser graduating from John F. Kennedy High School, Ashley Nutter graduating from Allen Park High School and Veronica Dor for completing an Associates in Nursing from Mercy College of Ohio in Toledo.



The 2018 Vacation Bible School program held this year will be in partnership with our neighbor St. Constance located at 21555 Kinyon St. They will be hosting the event at their church during the week of July 16th from 6:15-8:15pm, Monday through Thursday. The theme selected is “God’s Team” a sports based program. We will be meeting with them in the middle of the month for a planning meeting. If you are interested in helping with

the program and joining in this ecumenical VBS, please let Wendy know. St. Constance is excited and happy to be partnering with us in this fun filled week with them.

In early August there will be an all ages Family Fellowship Outing to a local waterpark. Turtle Cove or the wave pool at Lake Erie Metro Park are currently being considered. The date and time have not been determined at this time..

Church Life

Gus Cline

Make sure your Summer calendars include the following exciting Church events!

Church Picnic- Sunday, June 24th after service.

Fun,Food,Fellowship and games. Church will provide Hot Dogs and beverages and the congregation will help with Potluck. Sign up sheet will be in fellowship hall the next few Sundays leading up to the picnic.



Toledo Mudhens Baseball Game Sunday Evening, July 1st. Tickets for the game are 15.00 and 35.00 for game and bus ride. Sign up sheet in fellowship hall and spots are filling up quickly! Don't delay!

Annual Church Camping Week end Friday August 24th- Sunday August 26th. More info coming soon.

Book Club

Joyce Rowley

We enjoyed our discussion of the second half of All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr on May 11. This book is based on World War II, centered mainly in France. We have read many books based on World War II....each have taken many twists and turns and each are being highly recommended.

Our June 8 book has been chosen, but we are not sharing the title



Come and join us for a discussion of a very short and humorous read. We promise you will leave with a smile on your face. As always, we assure you that you do not need to read the book.....just come to listen and we are confident you will share in our laughter.

During the months of July and August we will not be meeting. We will read books of our choice during the summer months and will share our “reads” when we resume our gatherings on September 8th.

Barring any unforeseen circumstances, we always gather about 10:30, on the second Friday of each month, in either the Double Classroom or Fellowship Hall and are generally on our way by the Noon Hour. We are a very informal group and we always are happy to see new faces. Please remember it is not necessary to have read the book – if you would like to join us, just to see what our discussions entail, we would welcome your presence. As we always say, “Give it a try – you may find you will like it”, or “life is too short not to try something new” ☺

Expressions

Michele Hintz

The Expressions committee is currently researching the idea of having a Clothes Closet set up at a local elementary or middle school. At the end of April, a subset of the committee visited the currently operational one in Trenton to use as a guide, and then we will continue to further plans with one of our own at one of the neighborhood schools. This will be an ongoing project to support,

once we get established - the goal is to have something in place and ready to go before the Fall.

Grief Share: we are currently in the process of working with Allen Park Presbyterian to combine our resources together to host this service to the community in the near future – please watch for further information and details in the upcoming months.

Please watch for more info as the summer goes on to possibly help Fish & Loaves if they need any assistance with food collections.

Clothes Swap: Saturday, August 18th - This will be open to the community and will encourage parents/grandparents to bring in gently used, clean, outgrown clothing in exchange for clothing in the kids 'new' sizes. We will have drop off times the week prior and will be asking for much help in the sorting and organizing of bundles. Please watch for more details in the upcoming months – just remember to save the clothes your kids and grandkids have outgrown this year!

Animalpalooza: Sunday, September 30th – save the date for this great event which will include Blessing of the Animals.

Trunk or Treat : Sunday, October 28th

Next meeting: Committee Day – June 3rd @ 3pm

We would like to encourage anyone interested in joining the Expressions Committee to come to our next meeting and learn about how YOU can help spread God's plans for helping in our Neighborhood!! Hope to see you there!

Support Christ Our Redeemer - Allen Park Shoe Drive

Wanted.....Your Gently Used or New Shoes

Christ Our Redeemer Shoe Drive Family Event

Saturday May 19th 2018 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Bring Wearable Gently Used or New Shoes for Tickets

Drawings

Food



Cookie Painting

Games for the Kids

Tickets can be used for drawingsFood.....Games.....ETC.....

Come on by: We are located at 14722 Morris Ave Allen park, Michigan

www.christourredeemerlutheran.com

email us at: christourredeemer@comcast.net

SHOE DRIVE: Collection drop off through June 30th

Collection drop offs are:

Southgate CITGO (Recycle Bin)
16001 Goddard

Woodhaven (Front Porch)
19129 Hyde Park Ct

Downriver Stone Design (Wyandotte)
2836 Biddle Ave

Deacon Highlights

Mary Cline

From the Deacons

We would like to spotlight a new ministry that we introduced a few months ago, the Meal Train. It's an online way to sign up to provide meals for people in our congregation and their families as they go through a hospital stay or a life changing event. Here's how it works -

Step 1 - We identify a congregant who could use our support and enter their name, email address, and where to drop off meals.

Step 2 - We enter the dates meals would be helpful.

Step 3 - We enter our friend's food likes, dislikes, allergies, and the best time to drop off a meal.

Step 4 - We invite you, congregation members by email to sign up for the Meal Train and reserve a night to provide for a meal.

We feel this is the perfect way to provide meal giving. We would like your help. It can be online or not. Please contact Kandi Wood or Mary Cline for more information.



A friend loves
at all times,
and kinsfolk
are born to
share adversity.

Proverbs 17:17, NRSV



May Session Motions

Connie Dainus

Motioned by Rich Pratt and seconded to approve study leave for the weeks of July 8 to 13 (Worship Planning and Series Study Time) and August 5 to 11 (Mediation Skills Training). Motion carried.

Motioned by Rich Pratt and seconded to approve vacation for the weeks of July 29 to August 4, August 12 to 18, November 19 (Tuesday of Thanksgiving Week) to November 26 (Tuesday following Thanksgiving week), and December 30 to January 5. Motion carried.

Motioned by Administration committee to approve the funeral and wedding policies. Motion carried.

Motioned by Administration committee to approve the purchase of a new computer and monitor for the finance office. Monies to be taken from #IT Long Term Fund. Motion carried.

Motioned by Administration committee to accept the financial review for 2017. Motion carried.

Senior Luncheon

Kay Snaddon

We will meet for our Senior lunch program on **Monday, June 11th at 12 noon**. The menu will be Sliders and make your own Sundae for a small donation of \$3.00. Plan to attend and bring your

friends. This is open to ages 55 and older. **Please note this is the last lunch until September. Have a wonderful summer!**

June, July, August Anniversaries

Darvin & Carla Long 6-28	48 Years
Ron & Dorothy Gillespie 7-9	51 Years
Chad & Darcy Matthies 7-14	23 Years
Tim & Laurie Barclay 7-15	39 Years
Bruno & Barb Ettore 7-20	26 Years
Ron & Jackie Jensen 7-22	45 Years
Dale & Vicki Simon 7-24	41 Years
Brian & Michele Hintz 7-29	22 Years
Jerry & Bess Kirkland 8-13	57 Years
Dave & Pat Fraser 8-19	23 Years
Ron & Pat Wells 8-25	50 Years
Gary & Candi Cash 8-30	20 Years

Memorials

In Memory of John Fields, Jr

Barbara McNab, Savastano Family, Jerry & Pat VanHook

In Memory of Arnold Aue

Phyllis Fink, Ron & Dorothy Gillespie, Ron & Pat Wells, Kay Snaddon, Mark & Terri Donnan, Bert & Wendy Woodley, Nancy Gillespie, Jerry & Bess Kirkland, Dave & Sharilyn Bullion, Carolyn Koziol, Ron & Patricia Smith, Larry & Carol Showler, Jerry & Diann DuPuis, Jean Page, George & Sue Smith, Marilyn White,

Preston & Elizabeth Storms, William & Mary Wonnacott, Bill & Jenny Cairns, Al & Barb MacDonald, Nancy Rand, Darwin & Carla Long, Bruce Aue, Shirley Aue, Pat & Vorrey Holmes, Phyllis Hunt, Jerry & Pat VanHook



June, July, August Birthdays

Candi Cash	6-3	Darvin Long	7-18
Cordelia Matthies	6-4	Terriann Donnan	7-23
Ron Wells	6-7	Ron Gillespie	7-25
Janice Waid	6-7	Chad Matthies	8-1
Patrick Holmes	6-11	Emma Cash	8-1
Karen Miller	6-12	Pam Hutchens	8-3
Barb Ettore	6-16	Pat Tucker	8-4
Kandi Wood	6-18	Mark Donnan	8-6
Al MacDonald	6-18	Melissa Gillespie	8-7
Avery Cash	6-19	Giovanna Savastano	8-8
Pat Morton	6-27	Fred Mount	8-8
Kaila Hamilton	6-28	Jenny Cairns	8-10
Sharilyn Bullion	6-29	Sue Landis	8-13
Dale Simon	6-30	John Gillespie	8-16
Moira Gillespie	7-2	Pat Wells	8-19
Greg Walker	7-5	Mia Cates	8-19
Gloria Olsowy	7-7	Dave Calendine	8-20
Margie Hudson	7-8	Wendy Woodley	8-22
Karen Miller	7-12	Dorothy Gillespie	8-25
Nancy Gillespie	7-13	Scott Barclay	8-29
Filomena Savastano	7-14	Sue Smith	8-30
Joyce Rowley	7-18		

Upcoming Dates

Sun Jun 3, 10, 17, 24	10:00 a.m. Discovery Zone 11:00 a.m. Worship
Sun Jun 3	3-6:00 p.m. Committee Day
Fri Jun 8	10:30 a.m. Book Club
Sun Jun 10	10:00 a.m. Discovery Zone Wrap Up Graduation 12:30 p.m. Deacon Meeting
Mon Jun 11	Noon Senior Lunch ends until September
Tue Jun 12	8:00 p.m. Band Rehearsal
Thur Jun 14	6:30 p.m. Worship Committee
Sun Jun 17	Father's Day 7:00 p.m. Sarah Circle ends until September
Tue Jun 19	8:00 p.m. Band Rehearsal
Thur Jun 21	7:00 p.m. Session
Sun Jun 24	Noon -3:15 p.m. Church Picnic
Tue Jun 26	8:00 p.m. Band Rehearsal

FOR THOSE HEALING IN THE HOSPITAL

FOR THOSE HEALING AT HOME

Jerry Kirkland, Vorrey Holmes, Pat Morton, Mary Wright, Shirley Aue, Laurie Barclay, David Grove, Don Hardy, Patrick Gillespie, Nancy Gillespie, Jan Waid, Dave Fraser, Jean Page

PRAY FOR THOSE NEEDING LONG-TERM AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

The family of Arnold Aue on his recent death, Marnie Winkleman, Bernadine, Joan Watson, Lina Laurin (Gloria Olsowy niece), Sandy Tipshus (Vicki Simon sister), Debra Creech, Patricia Kurish, Donna Clark, Joe Kurish (Elda Moore children), Laura Mount (Fred Mount daughter), Jerry Pawelczyk (Shirley Petlicki friend), Ralph Schall (Hope Lambrix uncle), Sheila Morais, Dorothy Davies (Judy Nowak friend), Barbara Willis (Terri Donnan friend), Kara Westra (Connie Dainus friend), Steve Premo, Tammy Lathrup, Mickey Corcoran & families, Sarah Tyler (Stephanie Pratt friends), Chuck Stevens, Carol Barnard, Darcy Matthies, Ed Schenken (Jean Page friend), Brian

(Gloria Olsowy friend), Ann Rowley Smith (Joyce's daughter), Brenda Price (Cash family), Michelle Sample (Dale and Vicki Simon's daughter), Nancy (Marlene Jones sister), Paula Schultz (Laurie Barclay friend), Dave Consiglio & Jason Dornoff (Sue Frederick friends), Kristy McMillan (Patty Lalinsky friend), Andrea Green, Karen S (Daniel Bartok friends), Jamie Crigger (Phyllis Hunt friend), William & Brenda Martinelli (friends of Southminster), Carolyn Politi (Shirley Aue friend), Nan Bouchard, Elda Moore, Ken Renner & Sue Landis, Michael & Linda Crosby (Shirley Petlicki family), Phyllis Marken (Pat Tucker sister), Gordon Watson (Joan Watson family),

THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY

Our President & Cabinet, Robert Fraser, Bradley Schleicher II, Kevin Moody, Stacy Denise Cain, Ryan Bies, Dan Zajac, Kenny Trapp

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Weekly Worship Schedule:

Family Worship Service 11 am
Discovery Zone (Learning Time) 10 am
High School Groups 10 a.m.

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