

Visitors.....if you are joining us today for the first time, and would like more information about Southminster, please fill out the **Connection Card** that can be found in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

**Brewed
Thought**

TONIGHT, August 20th ~ 6:30
at Louie's in Meridian

Stay up to date with what's happening this week at Southminster

Wednesday PW—CT Mtg 9:30am

The church office hours for August 24th, 29th, 30th and 31st will be 9 - Noon



On August 27 come meet your Deacon at our potluck Brunch. Bring a dish to share after church and visit with your Deacon.

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY

August 20th

Preaching: Deanna Watson
Liturgist: Lisa Baker
Greeter: Genny Crume
Ushers: Carol Town
 Judy Varvel
 Glen McConaughy
 Rich Anderson
Special Music: Randy Marshal &
 Claudia Sutherland

August 27th

Preaching: Randy Marshall
Liturgist: Kate Savage
Greeter: Carla Middleton
Ushers: Beth Baker
 Mary Lou Downey
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Welcome to Southminster Presbyterian



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An open and affirming community, seeking a caring and just society.

Welcome to Southminster Sunday ~ August 20, 2017

The Gathering

Prelude

Lord, Here I Am
-Arr A.L. Page

Opening Prayer

Video Meditation

*Call to Worship

The Lion of Judah, the Root of David is among us.

Christ has ransomed saints from every people.

Worthy is the Lamb who gave himself freely.

To receive wisdom and honor, glory and blessing!

*Hymn 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We live in a world of anguish, and our sin only multiplies our suffering. Our despair discourages others. Our hopelessness paralyzes us from carrying out your work in the world. We pray for mercy, for strength, and for our faith to be restored, knowing that all good things come from you. Amen

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

God will indeed make all things new. Our Creator knows, hears, and answers the cries of our hearts. Despair no more, for the One who comes in power also comes in love, and death has no dominion in the world to come. Receive our Lord's promise of pardon, renewal, and peace that knows no end. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you

Feel free to move around the sanctuary greeting new friends and old

Announcements

*Hymn 369

Blessing and Honor

Prayer cards collected during this hymn

Special Music

His Eye is on the Sparrow

-Arr. By Tom Fettke

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Prepare our hearts, oh God, to hear and accept your word. Silence in us any voices but your own, so that your holy word finds its way into our thoughts and deeds, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture

Revelation 5:1-13

Sermon

The Response and the Sending

Offering and Offertory

There Is a Balm in Gilead

-Arr. R. J. Powell

*Doxology #609

Prayers of the People

We pray for the Church, the world, and all those in need. You bear God's word, O Christ, even as you embody that word. Speak in our time – to us and through us- that the spirit's power may move us as it did your first followers. Holy Lord,

Hear our Prayer.

The Church stands as a beacon of hope in a world that often loses heart. Keep us true to our mission and lead us away from the preoccupation with petty, superficial, and nonessential things, lest our witness lose its power. Holy Lord,

Hear our Prayer.

A new school year is the perfect time to remind ourselves of what lies at the heart of our proclamations: your eternal, unyielding love, O God. Place it firmly within our hearts that it might guide our minds, our words, our actions. Holy Lord,

Hear our Prayer.

From your wounds, we receive healing, sweet Lamb of God. You who have known deep suffering have the power to soothe our broken souls. Lay your hands upon those whom we lift up in prayer to you, especially....Holy Lord,

Hear our Prayer.

The prayers of your saints are like sweet incense. Have mercy on us for the sake of all the faithful, and keep us united as one family in you. Holy Lord,

Hear our Prayer.

We lay our supplications and praise before your throne, trusting always that you receive our prayers with love and mercy, for the sake of the Lamb who offered himself up for us. We pray these things in the name of your son Jesus Christ who taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 215

What Wondrous Love is This

Postlude

Toccata in C Minor

-J. G. Walther