

Is your 2017 Pledge up to date? All year end giving will need be in to the office by December 31st.

The church office will be closed the following Tuesdays,
Dec 26th & Jan 2nd for the Holidays.

Annual Congregational Meeting January 21st

If you head up a committee your annual report will need to be emailed
or turned in to the office by January 9th.

Reverse Advent Reminder! Don't forget to set aside one new or good condition
used item each day of advent for local charities. Bring your donations to the
church on or before Sunday, January 7th.

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP

December 24th

9:30 Lessons and Carols

Greeter: Genny Crume
Ushers: Larry Chase
Patsy Chase
Glenn Romig
Harvey Pitman
Advent Readers:
Devin Erickson & Children

Today's Participants:

Kiran Spees, Evelyn Cates,
Bruce Walters, Ian Bott,
Michelle Green, Ann Dearson
Liz Leonardson, Caitlin Lister,
& Steve Sanderson

5:00pm

Liturgist: Kiran Spees
Greeter: Genny Crume
Ushers: Rex & Lindy Reagan
Joanne Wiggins
Darla Wilson
Advent Readers:
Harvey-Sermon Family

7:00pm Candlelight

Liturgist: Kathryn Nicholas
Greeter: TBA
Ushers: Andy Winkle
Helen Winkle
Martha Daltoso
Gabiella Daltoso
Advent Readers:
Baker Family

December 31st

Preaching: Randy Marshall
Liturgist: Marie Collier
Greeter: Darleen Brown
Ushers: Sally Tollinger
Judy Varvel
Rich Anderson
Glen McConaughy

Welcome to Southminster Presbyterian



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Sunday, December 24, 2017

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

The Gathering

Prelude

In The Bleak Midwinter
-arr. D. Lasky

Opening Prayer

Advent Candle Lighting

.....When we light the candle of Love, we stop in awe of God's unending love.

Whatever we face in life, God's steadfast love surrounds us.

*Hymn 133

vs. 1-4

Oh Come All Ye Faithful

Lesson 1

Genesis 3:8-19

Prayer of Confession

Creative, passionate God, you delight to shape the world in beauty and harmony. You invite us to participate in the balance of creation. We grow in wisdom as our experience unfolds; we take good learning out of difficult situations yet also find our well-meant endeavors leading to unintended consequences. Too often we give in to temptation that disrupts the joyous, chaotic order of the universe. We cannot undo all our mistakes, yet we can turn once more to the living presence of Jesus and find new ways to live and love each other and the earth.

Do not let our hearts be fearful, but let us in silence acknowledge our sin and seek the forgiveness that restores your peace.

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Sharing of the Peace

Even as Adam and Eve faced the consequences of their sin, our God prepared a way for them still to be connected to the earth and to the living presence of God. So it is with all of us: God, is born in our hearts this day, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Let us share the peace we have received. May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Hymn 138

Who Would Think That What was Needed

Lesson 2

Gen 22:15-18

Hymn 97

Verses 1 and 3

Watchman Tell Us Of The Night

Lesson 3

*Hymn 86

verses 1, 2, and 4

Lesson 4

*Hymn 129

verses 1 and 2

Time With the Children

Lesson 5

Hymn 108

verses 1, 2, and 3

Meditation

Offering/Offertory

Lesson 6

*Hymn 99

verses 1, 2, and 4

Lesson 7

Hymn 146

verses 1 and 3

Lesson 8

*Hymn 147

verses 1 and 2

Lesson 9

*Hymn 113

Benediction

Postlude

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

The People who Walked in Darkness

Isaiah 11:1-9

Lo How a Rose

John 1:1-14

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Coventry Carol
-arr. L. Smith

Luke 1:26-35. 38

My Soul Gives Glory to My God

Luke 2:1, 3-7

Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

Luke 2:8-16

The First Nowell

Matthew 2:1-12

Angels We Have Heard on High

People Look East
-arr. R. Nelson