

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 ~ 6:30pm
At Louie's in Meridian

The Annual Hopefully Yours Sales is scheduled for the end of April. Have you started your spring cleaning yet? Don't forget that your donations will gladly be taken off your hands by the Presbyterian Women of Southminster. Contact Lindy if you have any questions about what they are looking for.

April newsletter deadline is Tuesday, 21st

**SOUTHMINSTER ORDER OF ST. LUKE
PRAYER MINISTRY**

All are welcome to join us the third Monday of each month at 7pm in the upstairs conference room for prayer. We are honored to be able to pray for you! You can stay after we pray for you and participate in our study work and follow-up prayers or leave as your schedule allows.

Scan this QR code with your phone and it will take you to the donation page.



**What's
Happening**

<u>Monday ~ 20th</u>	
Merry Martha Circle	7:30am
OSL	7:00pm
<u>Tuesday ~ 21st</u>	
Men's Breakfast	6:30am
<u>Wednesday ~ 22nd</u>	
PW CT	9:30am
Bell/Choir Rehearsal	6 & 7pm
<u>Thursday ~ 23rd</u>	
The Church Office hours today will be 11 - 4	
Marci will be out of the office this upcoming week. Please contact your Deacon or the church office if you have a pastoral need during this time.	

LITURGIST, GREETER, & USHERS

<u>March 19th</u>		<u>March 26th-Women's Sunday</u>	
Liturgist:	Jill Gertje	Greeter:	Carol Town
Greeter:	Kem Clark-Tanner	Ushers:	Sally Tollinger Lori Stokes Sydney Middleton Kate Anderson
Ushers:	Priscilla Oja Mike Zeller Harvey Pitman Eleanor Pitman		



Hosting today's coffee fellowship are Carol Town, Loleeta Gwin and Pricilla Oja.

Welcome to Southminster Presbyterian Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

IN THE HOUR OF TRAIL

-ARR C. UEHLEIN

OPENING PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP FROM PSALM 119**

MY SOUL KEEPS YOUR DECREES; I LOVE THEM EXCEEDINGLY. I KEEP YOUR PRECEPTS AND DECREES, FOR ALL MY WAYS ARE BEFORE YOU.

LET MY CRY COME BEFORE YOU, O LORD; GIVE ME UNDERSTANDING ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD. LET MY SUPPLICATION COME BEFORE YOU; DELIVER ME ACCORDING TO YOUR PROMISE.

MY LIPS WILL POUR FORTH PRAISE, BECAUSE YOU TEACH ME YOUR STATUTES. MY TONGUE WILL SING OF YOUR PROMISE, FOR ALL YOUR COMMANDMENTS ARE RIGHT.

LET YOUR HAND BE READY TO HELP ME, FOR I HAVE CHOSEN YOUR PRECEPTS. I LONG FOR YOUR SALVATION, O LORD, AND YOUR LAW IS MY DELIGHT. LET ME LIVE THAT I MAY PRAISE YOU, AND LET YOUR ORDINANCES HELP ME.

***HYMN 515**

I COME WITH JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WE COME BEFORE YOU JUST AS WE ARE, PRETENDING NOTHING, HIDING NOTHING. YOU KNOW THE DEEPEST WORKINGS OF OUR HEARTS AND MINDS, AND THAT WE HAVE FAILED TO BE YOUR FAITHFUL SERVANTS AND WITNESSES. DELIVER US FROM THE PAIN AND DEATH WE HAVE SECURED FOR OURSELVES THROUGH OUR SIN AND INACTION. HEAR US, GRACIOUS GOD.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

FOR YOU KNOW THE GENEROUS LOVE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, WHO Poured HIMSELF OUT FOR OUR BENEFIT SO THAT WE MIGHT LIVE. TRUST IN GOD'S PROMISE TO CALL US WHERE ARE NEEDED, TO BRING HELP ALONG THE WAY, AND TO WORK THROUGH OUR CONFUSION AND RESISTANCE TO BRING ABOUT GRACE AND PEACE. TRUST IN GOD'S PROMISE THAT IN JESUS CHRIST WE ARE FORGIVEN. LET US SHARE THE GRACE WE HAVE RECEIVED.

THE PEACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST BE WITH YOU ALL.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

FEEL FREE TO MOVE AROUND THE SANCTUARY AS YOU GREET ONE ANOTHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUTHMINSTER BELLS

LET US BREAK BREAD

-ARR. BY MICHAEL HELMAN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD AT THIS TIME. AFTERWARD, ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO REMAIN IN WORSHIP. THERE IS NURSERY CARE UPSTAIRS FOR PRE-SCHOOL AGED AND YOUNGER CHILDREN.

***HYMN 618 O LOVE, HOW DEEP, HOW BROAD, HOW HIGH**

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS WILL BE COLLECTED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MERCIFUL GOD, YOUR WORD IS THE WISDOM WE SEEK. HELP US SO TO HEAR THAT WE MAY TRULY UNDERSTAND ; THAT UNDERSTANDING, WE MAY BELIEVE, AND BELIEVING, WE MAY FOLLOW IN ALL FAITHFULNESS AND OBEDIENCE, SEEKING YOUR HONOR AND GLORY IN ALL WE DO. AMEN.

CONGREGATION SPEAKS TOGETHER THE **BOLD-FACED** TYPED WORDS

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

SCRIPTURE

LUKE 15:1-32

SERMON

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

CHANCEL CHOIR COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

-SETTING BY ROLAND E. MARTIN

***DOXOLOGY HYMN 607**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME. THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN. GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD; AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS. AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL, FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER. AMEN.

***HYMN 435**

THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

AGINCOURT HYMN

-J. DUNSTABLE

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY
REV. RUTH GOLDTHWAITE ~ PREACHING
SUSAN POHL ~ ORGANIST
CLAUDIA SUTHERLAND ~ CHOIR DIRECTOR
PHYLLIS TINCHER ~ HANDBELL DIRECTOR