

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.

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

<u>Monday 22nd</u>	SPC Book Club	7 pm
<u>Tuesday 23rd</u>	Men's Lunch at Casa Mexico in Hyde Park	Noon
<u>Wednesday 24th</u>	Choir Rehearsal	7 pm

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE MAY 23RD

**The church office will be closed Tuesday, May 30th,
for observance of Memorial Day**

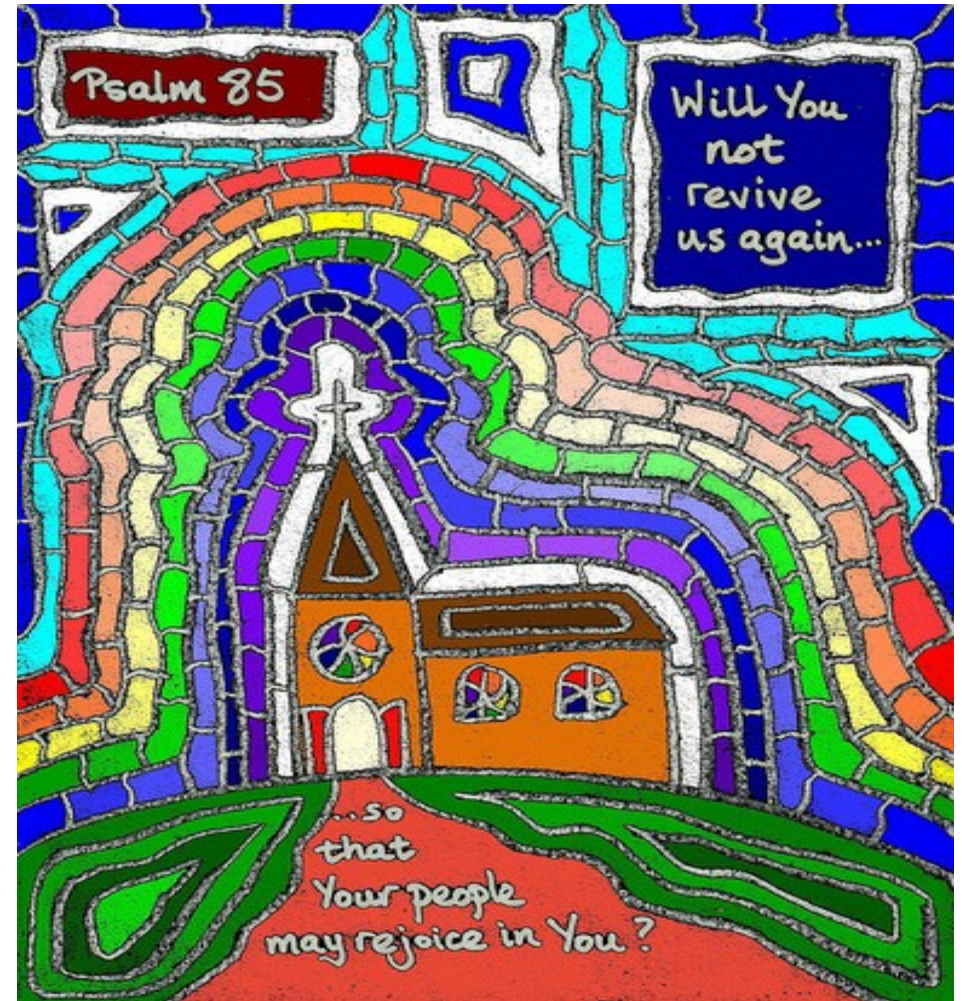
If you signed up to bring donations for VBS, please bring non-perishables next week or June 4th. Perishable items should be brought on June 4th. We still need new or used T-shirts (plain backs/graphics or print okay on the front). There are VBS flyers in the Narthex -take some to share with friends! Volunteer training, decorating and lunch will be June 4th after church (plan on about 90 minutes). Please bring a dish to share.

LITURGIST, GREETER, & USHERS

<u>May 21st</u>	<u>May 28th</u>
Liturgist: Pam O'Connor	Liturgist: Genny Crume
Greeter: Joanne Wiggins	Greeter: Darleen Brown
Ushers: Sally Tollinger Carla Middleton Dave & Lori Stokes	Ushers: Joanne Wiggins Judy Farnsworth Larry & Patsy Chase

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

Welcome to Southminster Sunday ~ May 21, 2017

The Gathering

Prelude Prelude and Fugue in E Minor -J. S. Bach

Choir Introit Come, All You People Zimbabwe Gathering Song
Uyai Mose

Video Meditation

*Call To Worship

We gather as the people of God.

We have come from east and west and from north and south to worship God together.

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We are people of all ages and genders and races, and we are here to worship God together.

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In our diversity we gather, in our unity we worship and are one. Together let us worship God.

*Hymn 307 God of Grace, and God of Glory

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Changeless God, Under the conviction of the Spirit we wonder if the more we do, the worse we are, the more we think we know, the less wise we seem, the more holiness we think we have, the less holy we seem to behave, the more we love, the more there is to love. Our hearts are without affection, and full of leaks. Our memories have no retention, so we forget so easily the lessons learned, and your truths seep away. Give us broken hearts that yet allow us to carry home the water of grace.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

Brothers and sisters, hear the Good News: Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

And now let us share the grace we have received. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

Announcements

*Hymn 493
Choir, vs 1, All vs 2-3

Now There Is No Male or Female
Prayer requests will be collected

The Word

Time with the Children

Children are invited to come forward at this time. Afterwards, all children are welcome to remain in worship. People of all ages are invited to use the prayer center at the front of the sanctuary. There is nursery care upstairs for pre-school aged and younger children.

Handbells

Recollection

- Timothy H. Waugh

Prayer for Illumination

Risen Christ, you opened the scriptures to your disciples and made their hearts burn within them. Open our eyes, our ears, and our hearts, so we might recognize you once again in these words of scripture, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Scripture

Galatians 1:13-17, 2:11-21

Sermon

The Response and the Sending

Offering and Offertory

How Great Thou Art

-arr. Mark Griffin

*Doxology Hymn#609

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 296

Go in Grace and Make Disciples

*Benediction

Postlude

March from Scipio

-L. Beethoven

Participating in Worship Today

Rev. Marci Glass ~ Preaching

Susan Pohl ~ Organist

Phyllis Tincher ~ Handbell Director

Claudia Sutherland ~ Choir Director

Jill Gertje, Bruce Walters, Kiran Spees and Mark Griffin ~ Special Music

Congregation speaks together the **BOLD-FACED** words

*Please stand as you are able