

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.

This Week at Southminster:

Tuesday
Church Office Closed
 Deacons 7:00pm

Wednesday
 PW Gathering 11am
 Bell/Choir Rehearsal 6 & 7pm

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. We will be receiving Star Words on Jan 7th as well.

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.

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP

December 31st

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

January 7th

Preaching: Marci Glass
 Liturgist: Lisa Baker
 Greeter: Kristy Wymond
 Ushers: Ruth Alm
 Marva Wertz
 Greg & Marie Collier
 Servers: Andy Winkle
 Phil Woodford
 Devin Erickson
 LeAnn Mohr

Welcome to Southminster Presbyterian



I RESOLVE...

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Sunday, December 31, 2017

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

The Gathering

Prelude

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

-arr. C. Uehlein

Video Meditation

Opening Prayer

*Call To Worship

Hymn 133

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Call To Confession

Prayer of Confession

Here we are, Lord, at the turning of the year. 2017 has been a year of big events; incidents of joy mingled with tragedy and sadness and even the ordinary that so often defines our days. Thru it all we have looked to you for comfort, in thanksgiving, sometimes even in praise. But how often have we responded to your call; to heal the sick and visit the lonely, to bind up the wounds of the oppressed and speak out for those who have no voice. We would do better, Lord. In the coming year challenge us anew. Awaken your spirit within us. Call us to be your hands, your heart, your voice, your people.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Sharing of the Peace

The love of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Though we wander, God is never far from us. When we turn, God is anxious to welcome us home. When we confess, God is always ready to forgive. In the name of the Lord I declare to you, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

As free and forgiven people let us greet one another with "May the Peace of Christ be with you."

And also with you.

Feel free to move around and greet new friends and old

Announcements

Anthem

The Hills are Bare in Bethlehem

-American Folk Hymn

Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 145

What Child is This?

Scripture

John 1:19-34

Sermon

Offering/Offertory

Sweet Little Jesus Boy

-R. Mac Gimsey, arr. M Bober

*Doxology

Hymn 119

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 136

Go, Tell It On The Mountain

Benediction

Postlude

Sing We Now of Christmas

-arr. J. Bennett

Participating in Worship Today

Randy Marshall ~ Preaching

Susan Pohl ~ Organist & Special Music