

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

Men's breakfast & study	6:30am
Men's lunch	Noon
Session work group	7:00pm

Wednesday

Bell/Choir Rehearsal	6 & 7pm
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Thursday

SAGES	11:30
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Saturday

Sabbath Service	5pm
Chili Cook-off after the service	

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

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

January 13th Saturday Sabbath

Preaching: Marci Glass
 Liturgist: Kate Savage
 Greeter: Denise Smithers
 Ushers: Bruce & LeAnn Mohr
 Evan & Nina Chambers
 Servers: Susan Pohl
 Denise Smithers
 Liz Leonardson
 Sam Whitaker

Welcome to Southminster Presbyterian



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Sunday, January 7, 2018

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

The Gathering

Prelude

We Three Kings arr. B.K. Smith

***Call To Worship**

The wise men came from far in the east, following God's call to "come and see" the Christ child.

We have come from east and west, north and south to see again the Christ who has been born.

They brought him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

We bring the gift of our very selves, offering our lives to the one whose light shines in the darkness.

They bowed down and worshipped him, recognizing God in human flesh.

We worship the Christ-child, giving thanks to God for coming into our world. God is with us! Let us worship God!

***Hymn 152**

What Star is This, with Beams So Bright

Call To Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of glory, you send you love like a star, that all may find their way to you. Yet all too often, we see only our own shadows. Remind us to look to you, our light, rather than turning again and again to the darkness. We have gifts to share, yet we confess that we sometimes hoard our gifts. Other times we don't consider our gifts worthy of sharing. Remind us, that all of our gifts are from you and remind us of our call to share them. Help us to see the gifts in others as well, that they may better use and share what you have given them. And help us to understand that we have each received different gifts. Keep us from turning your good gifts into exhibitions of our own self importance. Lift our heads, O God, that we may follow your light. Take away our fear and fill us with wonder, that we too may worship Christ with all who follow the star. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon and Sharing of the Peace

God's grace is abundant. God's love is never ending. Friends, the gospel affirms that in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Feel free to move around and greet new friends and old

Announcements

Time with Children

Chancel Choir

Carols for Seekers

-arr by Joseph Martin

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Dear God, your people are listening. May the words we hear today be your Word. May your Spirit open our hearts, minds, and souls to receive you now. Amen

Scripture

John 1:35 - 51

Sermon

The Response and the Sending

Offering/Offertory

My Gift to You

J. Wood

*Doxology #609

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Communion and Epiphany Star Words

*Hymn 156

Sing of God Made Manifest

Benediction

Postlude

We Three Kings of Orient Are

-arr. C. Uehlein

Participating in Worship Today

Marci Glass ~ Preaching

Lisa Baker ~ Liturgist

Susan Pohl ~ Organist

Evelyn Cates ~ Piano Accompanist

*Please stand as you are able

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