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Presbyterian BINGO NIGHT!!!

Join us on Sunday, Feb. 18th, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
and support the Southminster Youth Group.

\$15 for adults and \$7 for kids over 3.
Includes buffet dinner and a book of bingo sheets
Extra books of cards will be available to purchase.

We will play 10 rounds of Bingo and enjoy entertainment from members of the Southminster Presbyterian Youth. There are prizes to choose from for the winners of each game.
Tickets on Sale on Sunday mornings or talk to Karen

**PANCAKE
SUPPER**

ASH WEDNESDAY – PANCAKE SUPPER
February 14th, 5:00-6:45 p.m.

There will be some special features added to the fun this year – festive Valentine/Love décor, heart-shaped cookie cutters to transform pancakes, pancake races for the kids, and making special “Alleluia” wands to be hidden in the sanctuary until Easter morning! This will be a great way to both celebrate Valentine’s Day with your loved ones, and celebrate the start of the Lenten season. See you in the Fellowship Hall to fill your stomach and then in the sanctuary at 7:00 to feed your spirit. Pancake tickets are \$6/adults, \$4/kids through 6th grade, and \$15/family maximum

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**The MESSENGER**

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**Year of the Bible – January questions**

1. What does the rainbow after the flood symbolize?
  2. Who were the two sets of brothers among the disciples?
  3. What is the reaction of Abraham and Sarah to the news that God will give them a son?
  4. When Abraham was asked to sacrifice Isaac, who carried the wood?
  5. Laban tricks Jacob, the trickster. How?
  6. While Jesus considers natural descent and family important, what is still more important?
  7. Jacob loses Rachel as she bears which of his twelve sons?
  8. What are the names of Jesus’ brothers?
  9. Shortly after being sold as a slave in Egypt, Joseph’s position worsens. Why?
  10. What does God tell Moses to say to the children of Israel when they ask the name of God who sent him?
  11. Was Aaron older or younger than his brother Moses?
  12. What Jewish group did not believe in a resurrection of the dead?
- (See back page for answers.)



**CHRISTMAS IN JULY!**

Yes, we are already thinking about Christmas – in July! Your SPW Board is planning a fun event, and we are hoping to get everyone on board for the fun. If you don’t know already, our Presbyterian Women contribute greatly to outreach projects in our community and around the globe. Every fundraiser we sponsor allows us to do this wonderful giving. And that is also true of “Christmas in July.” We are planning an event on Saturday, July 14, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. to provide a nice brunch/lunch, crafts, “treasures,” and used books for sale. We are already looking for everyone to help us – do you make a craft you might donate? Do you have some used books? do you have “treasures” around your house that you could pass along? Would you like to teach a craft to a class and then have them donate? Think this all over, mark your calendar, and let the SPW Fundraising Committee know of your interest (Denise Blinn, Becky Hull, Ruth Davidson).

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Prayers for healing for **Mary Buller** as she recuperates from recent surgery. Prayers for **Marcia Staples** who continues in rehab after surgery on both wrists. Prayers for **DeAnn Warner** who is receiving palliative care at home after a recurrence of lymphoma. Prayers for **Bill and Ginny Kadyk** as they continue to adjust to their new home in St. Louis. Prayers for **B.J. Diedrich, Walt Gehlbach, Jim and Carolyn Klamm, Jim Dollins, Suzanne Webb and Harriette Coughenour** who are residing in care centers.

Coffee Hour

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS**

Feb. 11 - Building and Grounds  
 Feb. 18 - Deacons  
 Feb. 25 - Bells  
 Mar. 4 - Men’s Group

**ATTENDANCE**

|      |    |    |                 |
|------|----|----|-----------------|
| Jan. | 28 | 22 | (Morning Light) |
|      |    |    | 107 (11:00 am)  |
| Feb. | 4  | 25 | (Morning Light) |
|      |    |    | 104 (11:00 am)  |



**HARVESTERS**

Our next day for working at Harvesters is Tuesday, February 13. Meet at church at **9:30 am** to carpool; we will work 10:00-12:00 and will be back to church around 12:30. Please contact Pam Nitsche, (913) 963-5006 (cell), [pnitsche@kc.rr.com](mailto:pnitsche@kc.rr.com) if you would like to join us on February 13.



**Book Club**

The Southminster Book Club will meet **February 22, 7:00 p.m.**, in the Rearick Room at church. We will discuss The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah. Please join us! All are welcome and happy reading!



## OUTGROWN SWEATERS

Do you have sweaters at your house that are seldom worn or ones your children have out grown? There is a need for them and we can help fill it. The special Sweater Drive will kick off Sunday, February 11 and end March 18. That gives us all plenty of time to check our closets and even ask others to do the same. An information table in the lounge will be up starting Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup>.

## SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP

Have you noticed in your box of pledge envelopes, there are a couple of special envelopes in the front? One is the "Initial Offering Envelope." Monies collected from that envelope will go to meet our ongoing financial obligations. Donations enclosed in the other one, "Per Capita Apportionment," will be sent on to the denomination for administrative support. The current Per Capita amount is \$43.29 per member. That's not per family; that is per member. Please use that envelope to remit your per capita amount. Thank you for your support and consideration.

## Shawnee Mission South KMEA Preview Concert

The Shawnee Mission South High School Heritage Singers, conducted by Jon Duncan, will present their KMEA program at home in the KC area before they travel to perform in Wichita. Come join us at **Southminster Presbyterian Church on Sunday, Feb 11, at 6pm (63rd and Roe)**. The concert is free and the public is invited. 30 minutes of beautiful choral singing. This is a great opportunity to welcome the community to our church, to support public education, and to encourage the efforts of these talented and hard-working young people.

Their program will consist of: *My Spirit is Uncaged* - Rardin, *For You There is No Song* - Byrd, *Yo Le Canto Todo El Dia* - Brunner, *Eloquence* - Haydn, *Miniyama Nayo* - Rudoi, *For Thy Sweet Love* - Young and *Ronde* - Ravel.



## FEBRUARY SEEKERS CLASS

**WISDOM OF SUNDAYS: Life-Changing Insights from Super Soul Conversation**  
By Oprah Winfrey

There is still time to join us for the "Wisdom of Sundays" discussion at 9:30 in the NE dining room. Topics are 2/11 Mindfulness, 2/18 Grace and Gratitude, and 2/28 Love and Connection.

**Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> - MINDFULNESS** (pp. 61-78), led by Pastor Karen

**Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> - GRACE AND GRATITUDE** (pp. 151-172), led by Larry Williams

**Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> - LOVE AND CONNECTION** (pp. 199-219), led by Pastor Karen

### SPW News...



- The next Board meeting will be **March 6th** at 9:00 am
- Second Saturday Breakfast will be held on **February 10** at Ambrosia Café, 7933 Marty, 9:00 am. Carpool at the church at 8:30. All girls and women are really welcome!
- **February 14**, Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper, 5:00-6:45pm
- **February 22nd**, Craft Group, 1:00 pm in the library.
- **Bible Study Circles will meet on Tuesday, February 27th**, at 6:30 and 9:30 AM at the Church and at 7:00 PM at Helen Wycoff's to study Lesson 6, "In Community with the Reality of the Present"
- **Women of Cana**-SPW invites all women of the church to our next social event on Tuesday, March 6th, 5:00pm - ?, at the home of Mary Jorgenson.
- Save the Date: **Spring Gathering of Presbyterian Women of Heartland Presbytery** will be Saturday, April 21, 2018 in Leavenworth. Enjoy P-Dubs from other congregations!

## SING FOR EASTER: A Short Term Singing Opportunity

The Chancel Choir has begun rehearsals for Easter and Eastertide music. The first 30 to 40 minutes of rehearsals is devoted to the music for Easter and Eastertide (the seven Sundays of Easter). Singers who want to join the choir for Easter or the Easter season are welcome to come to this part of the rehearsal, then depart. As we get closer to Easter, the rehearsal commitment will be a bit longer. So, if you want to sing the first Sunday of Easter or all seven, you are welcome to join in the joyful music-making. Adults and high school students are welcome. If you have questions, please speak with Mark Ball, director of music ministry (816-206-8811) or [markball59@sbcglobal.net](mailto:markball59@sbcglobal.net).



## WEDNESDAY LENTEN SUPPERS

5:45 p.m. meal served,  
6:10-7:00 Sing, Study

- ♦ 2/21 - Introduction With Clenched Fists, and Prayer and Silence - Pastor Karen
- ♦ 2/28 - Prayer and Acceptance - Rev. Glenda Watts
- ♦ 3/7 - Prayer and Hope - Pastor Jeff
- ♦ 3/14 - Prayer and Compassion - Rev. Donna Chavez
- ♦ 3/21 - Prayer and Revolution, and With Open Hands - Pastor Jeff

**Sign-up poster in the narthex will help us plan for meals, set-up, and child care/activities if needed. We are asking for sign-ups/RSVP's by the Sunday prior to the Wednesday event.**

## community sing

**Sunday, February 25, 5:00 p.m., Sanctuary  
Mark Ball, song enlivener**

A Community SING is for everyone – no musical skills required! We will sing songs to enliven the spirit and refresh the soul – and to remind us that we belong to each other. THIS SING will focus on songs of the Lenten journey and look ahead to the joyful songs of EASTERTICE.

### Answers – January

1. The rainbow symbolized God's covenant never again to destroy humanity with a flood.
2. Peter and Andrew, James and John.
3. Abraham and Sarah both laugh at the idea that they will have a son.
4. Isaac carried the wood for his own sacrifice.
5. Laban switches daughters on Jacob, so that he is tricked into marrying Rachel's older sister, Leah.
6. Even more important that family or natural descent is doing God's will.
7. Rachel dies while bearing Benjamin.
8. The brothers of Jesus were named James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas; we are not told the names of the sisters.
9. Joseph ends up in prison because, insisting on being honorable and upright, he is falsely accused of immorality.
10. God instructs Moses to tell the children of Israel that the divine name is "I Am" or "I Am Who I Am."
11. Aaron was three years older than his brother Moses.
12. The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection of the dead.



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