



The Messenger

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Vacation Church School June 18-21(Monday –Thursday) 9 a.m. to Noon



Join us for Rolling River Rampage and experience the ride of a lifetime with God! Along the river, we will discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise, and we can trust God to be with us through anything. Music, science, creative crafts, fun recreation, and memorable Bible stories will help kids know that God is always with them as they ride the rapids of amazing grace!

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.
(Isaiah 43:2)

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The MESSENGER

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JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers for **Jean Kimmel, Judy Lafferty, Carol Mellott, Tim Thomas and Mary Ballantyne** all are recovering from recent surgeries. Prayers for **B.J. Diedrich, Walt Gehlbach, Jim Klamm, Jim Dollins, and Suzanne Webb** who are residing in care centers.



HARVESTERS

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



- 2 - Don Graves, Austin Mitts
- 3 - Karen Ballantyne, Krista Eyler, Susan Giffen
- 5 - Marvin Schultz, Katherine Scorza
- 7 - David Potter
- 8 - Cameron Thompson
- 10 - Tyler Fischer
- 12 - Cheryl Settle, Catie (Mellott) Beauchamp
- 13 - Matt Blinn
- 15 - Mike Cumming, Tom Fischer, Jeanie Fry, Kathy McKee
- 16 - Becky Hull, Ed Calkins, Rachel Cunningham
- 17 - Brian Smith, Jim Klamm, Rich Warner
- 19 - Dave Dozier, Dan Herring
- 20 - Ginny Lyon, Ava Moran, Cecily Mahan
- 21 - Dawson Rooney, Hatti Ross
- 22 - Adah Cumming, Kyle Lyon,
- 23 - Anna Dozier
- 24 - Angela Fry
- 25 - B.J. Diedrich, Kent Richardson, Christy Smith, Linda Thornburgh
- 27 - Bonnie Patrick
- 29 - Chris Calkins, Philip Rix

Coffee Hour

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS
 May 27 - Rachel Circle
 June 3 - Esther Circle
 June 10 - Deacon's
 June 17 - SPW
 June 24 - Choir

ATTENDANCE

May	13	18 (Morning Light)
		149 (11:00 am)
May	20	14 (Morning Light)
		125 (11:00 am)



I want to thank everyone at Southminster for all of the caring, prayers, cards, calls, physical help, and well wishes that I've received over the past four months. While I still have another surgery and what may be a long healing process, I have peace knowing that I'm not alone in this cancer challenge. I feel so very blessed that God is still on the Throne and that he brought so many wonderful Christians into my life. I can't wait for the day that I can get back into the swing of things and rejoin my church family in all of the wonderful fellowship we share. Not being able to see everyone and participate in our church activities has been the most difficult part of this journey. Thank you all, again, and may each of you have a very blessed, safe and wonderful summer. Never forget how deeply you are loved and appreciated by this "old lady".
 Love, forever
Judy Lafferty

MAY MISSION - COMMUNITY LINC

Thank you so much for your generosity to Community Linc, an organization that houses and feeds homeless families in the community. I'm sure they will appreciate the twin and queen bedding sets, the pillows, the comforters, the towels, and the kitchen supplies you've donated. They continue to be our mission through May, so there's still time to refill the little red wagon for Community Linc.
 Gratefully, Shirley Lewis

From the Associate Pastor...

Dear Fellow Followers of the Way:

Paul in writing to the Romans says: “Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality.” (Romans 12: 9-13) The writer of Hebrews reminds us in chapter 13:2 “Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.”

We are called throughout the Bible to practice hospitality with one another and with strangers. We do this in a variety of ways. The Evangelism committee has been sending out postcards to our neighbors to invite them to various events at the church. Mark Ball has had more recitals and concerts hosted here so people can enter into our space and hopefully be drawn back. We have worked to publicize events on Facebook to help spread the word to friends of friends about what goes on at Southminster.

As part of reaching out to people, the Session voted in April to add a statement of inclusion to the bulletin and to our electronic communications.

Southminster Presbyterian Church welcomes and celebrates the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race or ethnicity, nationality, gender, gender identification or expression, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church.

Southminster is a member congregation of the PC (USA) and is affiliated with More Light Presbyterians.

For some people this statement may seem obvious. Of course we welcome anyone who comes. But for someone who is looking for a church, particularly if you have felt excluded by the church or by others in society, it can be comforting to read a statement like this to know you can find welcome. It is also a reminder to all of us that we are called to welcome all of God’s children to join us in ministry in the name of Jesus Christ. May we all strive to live out the welcome that Christ gave to all those he met and welcome everyone who comes.

Grace, Mercy and Peace





June 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 8:30am Morning Light 9:15 am Coffee Hour 9:30 am Church School 11:00 am Worship	4	5 9:00 am SPW Coord. Team PRESBYTERY (Atchison)	6 7:00 am Men's Group	7 9:30 am Cross-Lines Food Kitchen 6:30 pm Family Life Christian Ed. 7:00 pm Evangelism B & G Worship	8	9
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">IHN Host Week 6/3-6/10</div>						
10 8:30am Morning Light 9:15 am Coffee Hour 9:30 am Church School 11:00 am Worship Noon Congregational Meeting	11 6:00 pm Personnel 7:00 pm Stewardship Messenger Items Due	12 10:00 am Harvesters (meet at 9:30 am to carpool) 7:00 pm Deacons	13 7:00 am Men's Group	14 1:00 pm Tabitha Craft Circle 7:00 pm Worship	15	16
17 8:30am Morning Light 9:15 am Coffee Hour 9:30 am Church School 11:00 am Worship	18 9:00 am-Noon Vacation Bible School	19 9:00 am-Noon Vacation Bible School 10:00 am Lakeview Worship Service	20 9:00 am-Noon Vacation Bible School 7:00 am Men's Group	21 9:00 am-Noon Vacation Bible School 6:30 pm Administration 7:00 pm Session	22	23
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Vacation Bible School 6/18-6/21</div>						
24 8:30am Morning Light 9:15 am Coffee Hour 9:30 am Church School 11:00 am Worship 5:00 pm Home Grown Concert	25	26 7:00 am Circles meet at First Watch-Fairway	27 7:00 am Men's Group	28 1:00 pm Tabitha Craft Circle 7:00 pm Book Club	29	30



INTERGENERATIONAL SUMMER CHURCH SCHOOL
EAT.PLAY.LOVE. – Summer Sundays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

EAT – come and feed your stomach (light breakfast) and feed your soul (Bible study)	PLAY – come and laugh and play together. Let’s build community through fun!	LOVE – come and show love through mission learning and serving.
June 3-The Temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness	July 1-Escape Room Play with Karen Wright	August 5-Learning about Living Waters for the World and new water project in Mexico.
June 10-Jesus Teaches Nicodemus	July 8-Sports Play (whiffle ball golf, badminton, croquet, bocce ball, hula hoops and more...)	August 12-Hands-on mission projects including Harvesters Give Lunch and PDA kits.
June 17-Samaritan Woman at the Well	July 15-Music Play, enjoy all kinds of music exploration.	August 19-Pancake Kick Off – enjoy yummy pancakes and learn about the new church school year.
June 24-Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind	July 22-Games Play – Kahoot, Speak-Out and other hilarious games.	August 26-First Sunday of the 2018-2019 church school year. All classes will be meeting.
	July 29-Nature Play – take a walk to the park (or ride), enjoy playground, donuts, bubbles, being outside.	Outreach



SPW News...

- The next Board meeting will be **June 5** at 9:00 am.
- **Second Saturday Breakfast** will be held on **June 9** at **You Say Tomato**, 2801 Holmes, KCMO, 9:00 am. All girls and women are really welcome!
- **Tabitha Craft Circle, June 7th and 21st 1:00 pm** in the library.
- **Women of Cana** will be **June 25** at Susan Giffen’s, 5-7 pm.
- **June 26, 7:00 am**, all circles meet at **First Watch - Fairway**



Mark Your Calendars!

Music Camp

July 16-19
9:00 am -Noon

Register online at
www.southminsterpres.com

CHRISTMAS IN JULY IS COMING AND CARDS ARE ALREADY HERE!

- SPW has two beautiful cards: One is a 4"x5.5" notecard (10/\$7) with photo of our hanging cross against the bright skylight, and the second card is a 5"x7" Christmas card (10/\$15) with our Chrismon tree. Photos by Sam Lutz.
- Christmas In July is coming sooner than you think - can you help by volunteering? donating books? treasures? baked goods? crafts? All proceeds benefit mission projects.



Katie Cunningham - Shawnee Mission North, will be attending K-State.

Morgan Johnson - Olathe South High School, will be attending JCCC.

Logan Mitts-Shawnee Mission Northwest, will be attending KU.

Christopher Warner-Blue Valley North, will be attending JCCC.

Mark Your Calendars!

Home Grown Concert

To celebrate our new piano and the talents of our Southminster members

June 24, 5:00 pm

Followed by an Ice Cream Social

Hosted by Family Life



Summer Camps at Heartland Presbyterian Center

Heartland Presbyterian Center, near Parkville, Missouri, offers a wonderful summer camp experience for children who have completed the 2nd grade through senior high youth. Check out the website www.heartlandcamps.org and register online. Your C.E. Committee has scholarships for Southminster members equal to one-half of the registration fee (maximum \$250). They will bill us at the end of the season for this amount for each camper (so make your payments 1/2 of fee or up to maximum \$250 less than total). Please let the C.E. Committee know of your questions or interest (Madeline Dasch, chair or Pastor Karen).



RETURN SERVICE REQUEST

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