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Youth Sunday September 30th, 2018



Love is breaking down the walls, and sometimes the roof! Join us on September 30th for Youth Sunday as the youth lead the congregation in worship. This will be the first time the newly formed Youth Choir will lead the congregation in singing. We are grateful for the leadership of Mark Ball in this endeavor.

The youth of Southminster are grateful for the continuing support of the congregation. Thank you especially to the youth advisors for youth Sunday school and youth group. Thank you also to all the parents of youth for all their work and effort.

FUNDrive™



Clean out your closet and support the youth in 3 easy steps!

Step 1: Clean out your closet and get ready for your fall wardrobe.

Step 2: Fill a 33 gallon trash bag (or several) with the following clean and gently used items: Clothing and Jackets; Shoes and boots; Linens, bedding and towels; Bags, Belts, Jewelry and Backpacks

Step 3: Bring the filled trash bags to Southminster between Sunday, Sept 23rd and Saturday, Sept 29th.

There are 33 gallon trash bags on the Youth Booth for you to take. The youth will take the items to Savers and we will get paid by the pound. Tell your neighbors and friends and ask them to help us as well.

Thank you for your continued support of the Southminster Presbyterian Youth!

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September Mission Emphasis-Kids TLC

One of the annual local mission causes we support is Kids TLC, Transforming Lives in Crisis. TLC provides a safe place for kids to go when their parents are suddenly taken away from them for reasons such as abuse, illness or accident, court order, prison or rehab treatments.

TLC is a caring place for kids to stay for short periods of time, until foster parents can be found to care for them, or when older kids can be transitioned into the community to become productive members of society.

The ages can be anywhere from infants to teenagers with a special need for ages 10-15 right now. The list of needs is long but practical in kind: shampoo, lotion, socks, hair brushes, combs, games, towels & sheets (new or gently used), cleaning supplies, alarm clocks or back packs in which to carry possessions. Many children come to TLC with only the clothes on their backs.

TLC exists to help children and families. They need our help to make a difference in the lives of these kids.

Below is a list of requested items and can be placed in the Red Wagon.

Hygiene Items:

- Men's and women's deodorant
- Full size body wash, shampoo and conditioner
- Tampons/pads

Gift Cards:

- QT gas cards (used to support family therapy and visits)
- Walmart, HyVee, Price Chopper
- Restaurant gift cards; a variety of merchants welcome

Arts and Crafts:

- Colored/printed duct tape
- Poster board
- Paints
- Legos
- Non-spiral/composition notebooks

**World Communion
 Sunday
 Peace and Global
 Witness Offering
 October 7, 2018**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers for **Judy Lafferty** as she continues to receive medical treatment. Prayers for **Gary Kowaleski** as he continues to recuperate from recent heart surgery. Prayers for **Bruce Humphreys** as he undergoes treatment for cancer. Continued prayers for **B.J. Diedrich, Walt Gelbach, Bill Kadyk, Jim Klamm, Jim Dollins, and Suzanne Webb** who are residing in care centers.



HARVESTERS

Our next day for working at Harvesters is Tuesday, **Sept. 18.** Meet at church at **9:30 am** to carpool; we will work 10:00-12:00 and will be back to the church around 12:30. Please contact Pam Nitsche, (913) 831-2262, pnitsche@kc.rr.com if you would like to join us on Sept. 18. Hope you can join us.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

I greatly appreciate all the cards, flowers, visits, meals from Family Life, Ruth Davidson and Ann Tice, and prayers extended to me during my recent recuperation from knee surgery. The first few days were a little rough, but I feel like I'm on the road to recovery. It's great to be back in the office and to see everyone. Thank you again!
 Lynn Tolson



COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

- Sept. 16- Book Club
- Sept. 23 - Esther Circle
- Sept. 30 - Bells
- Oct. 7 - Men's Group

ATTENDANCE

August	26	29 (Morning Light)
		103 (11:00 am)
Sept.	2	22 (Morning Light)
		95 (11:00 am)
Sept.	9	17 (Morning Light)
		102 (11:00 am)



Book Club

The Southminster Book Club will meet **August 27th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Rearick Room at church. We will discuss The Distance Between Us by Reyna Grande. Please join us! All are welcome and happy reading!



Adult Church School Classes:
9:30-10:30 a.m. Sundays
INQUIRING SPIRITS (NW dining room) – This Bible study class is led by Pastor Jeff Clayton. The September study will be based on the book, The Journey to the Common Good, by Walter Brueggemann – looking at our great challenges and calling us to journey together to the common good through neighborliness, covenanting, and reconstruction. Need to hear some hopeful words, then come and join us.

SEEKERS CLASS – short-term classes (5 weeks or less) with a variety of topics, but this year focusing on the theme “Won’t You Be My Neighbor?”

9/16 Civility: In Defense of Civility, Larry Williams

9/23 Civility: When Christians Get It Wrong, Rita & Larry Williams

9/30 Mr. Rogers Sunday (2018 documentary DVD discussion), led by Ruth Ann Unruh

SOUTHMINSTER “YEAR OF THE BIBLE”

Knowledge of the scriptures is a crucial element in the life of a faithful congregation. In order to increase the level of biblical knowledge at Southminster, the Christian Education Committee handed out over 50 copies of the “Year of the Bible” participant booklet last fall at Church School Kick-Off and challenged the congregation to use this guide to read their way through the entire Bible. Some people started this challenge in September 2017 and completed in August 2018. Other started in January 2018 and will complete it in December 2018. The readings are printed on the Facebook “Year of the Bible” group page. Also, beginning September 1, 2018, we are posting the Common Lectionary Readings for Sundays (a new challenge for those who completed “Year of the Bible) – upcoming scriptures for the next Sunday worship. To gain access to the Facebook group private page, please contact Pastor Karen. Another access to the readings for the Common Lectionary can be found on www.workingpreacher.org. Not only are the scripture readings written out, but also there is a commentary.



SPW News...

Please join us for any or all of the following events!

- **Women’s Fall Luncheon**
- SAVE THE DATE for the Women’s Fall Banquet, **September 23rd** at noon in Fellowship Hall.
- **Bible Study Circles**
- **September 25** Join us at one of the three circle times - 6:30 AM and 9:30 AM at the church (these circles will be studying Lesson 2) or 7:00 PM at Helen Wycoff’s house.
- **Craft (Tabitha) Circle**
- **September 27** at 1pm at the church. We meet in the library.
- The next board meeting will be **October 2** at 9:00 am



SAVE THE DATE!!

SPW Fall Banquet
Noon

Fellowship Hall

\$10 for adults

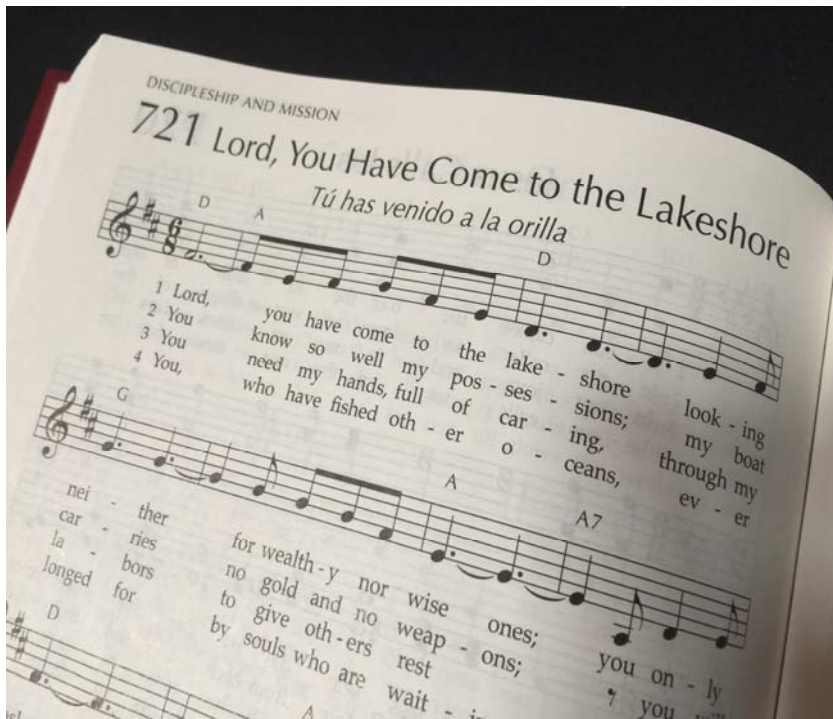
\$5 for children 7 and under

Entertainment by the
Leawood Singers
directed by
Stephanie Henry

Stewardship
Emphasis 2018

“Living Into
Hope: God’s
Future is Our
Future

Stewardship
Celebration
Dinner
Sunday Oct. 14
at Noon



All Are Welcome
Gospel Songs
Spirituals
Favorite Hymns
Child and Family
Friendly
Beautiful Songs
from Diverse
Cultures
Fellowship at Lucky
Brew Grille after
the singing!

community sing
Sunday, Sept. 30 5 p.m.



Mark Ball, song enlivener

A Community SING is for everyone – no musical skills required! Singing together enlivens the spirit, refreshes the soul, strengthens faith, and reminds us that we belong to each other. Invite a friend or two to join you for an hour of beautiful singing.

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