WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*For those who are able, please stand Prelude: Madi Zuro

- Pastor Scott Come 'n Go tomorrow (July 12) 9-11am at SW Watson and First St.
- Please pick up community art paintings today
- Southminster Reads 2021 book: In Defense of Kindness...
- Something every Sunday this summer for Children and Youth.
- Save the date: All church picnic July 25 at noon Shiffler Park
- Rummage Sale: August 5-7. Donations now being accepted.

CENTERING & LIGHTING CANDLES

Lay Reader: Mark Mullins Pianist: Madi Zuro

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

Shannon L. Alder

"The only real battle in life is between hanging on and letting go."

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We look to the rulers of this earth for leadership, justice, and hope.

We look to these bodies of ours for stability, fulfillment, and joy.

We look to families and friends for love, compassion, and support.

When rulers betray, when bodies fail, when family or friends disappoint,

God offers another perspective. Come, sisters and brothers,

Today, may Southminster be for us God's family.

*OPENING HYMN

Lord. When I Came Into This Life #691

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Children & Youth are dismissed for outside programming.

SUNG RESPONSIVE CHORUS

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.

Good works of service are for offering. When we are giving, or when receiving.

We belong to God. We belong to God. We belong to God. We belong to God.

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING

Amos 7:7-17 Revised Common Lectionary

This is what the Lord showed me: God was standing by a wall, with a plumb line in God's hand. God said to me, "Amos, what do you see?"

"A plumb line," I said.

Then the Lord said,
"See, I am setting a plumb line
in the middle of my people Israel.
I will never again forgive them.

The shrines of Isaac will be made desolate, and the holy places of Israel will be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel,

reported to Israel's King Jeroboam, "Amos has plotted against you within the house of Israel. The land isn't able to cope with everything that he is saying. Amos has said, 'Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will be forced out of its land."

Amaziah said to Amos, "You who see things, go, run away to the land of Judah, eat your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's holy place and his royal house."

Amos answered Amaziah, "I am not a prophet, nor am I a prophet's son; but I am a shepherd, and a trimmer of sycamore trees. But the Lord took me from shepherding the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

"Now then hear the Lord's word.
You say, 'Don't prophesy against Israel,
and don't preach
against the house of Isaac.'

"Therefore, the Lord proclaims:

'Your wife will become a prostitute in the city,

and your sons and your daughters will fall by the sword,
and your land will be measured an

and your land will be measured and divided up;

you yourself will die in an unclean land, and Israel will surely be taken away from its land."

THEME READING

Jennifer Elisabeth, Born Ready

"Starting over can be the scariest thing in the entire world, whether it's leaving a lover, a school, a team, a friend or anything else that feels like a core part of our identity but when your gut is telling you that something here isn't right or feels unsafe, I really want you to listen and trust in that voice"

SERMON

"Starting Over" Rev. Scott Dalgarno

*RESPONSIVE HYMN

Live Into Hope #772

PASTORAL PRAYER & JESUS PRAYER

O God, our Divine Parent, may your presence be ever revered. May your peace and justice dwell among us. May your love and compassion live within and between us. Nourish us daily with the necessities of life; sustenance for our bodies, and inspiration for our spirits. And may the forgiveness we give be that which we receive; the kindness we show be that which we perceive. Lead us on virtuous paths, and distance us from evil. For your world is our world, and your reign our reign; then, now, and always. A-men.

*CLOSING SONG

"Shalom, My Friends" by Tarris Rosell

*BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE

FELLOWSHIP

On Zoom or outside!