



SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 18, 2022

AN INCLUSIVE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH.
OUR MISSION IS TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S LOVE IN THE WORLD.

TODAY: The Long Road to Growing Up

CLOSING HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand
#834 all verses

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Give Thanks
by Henry Smith, arr. Mark Hayes

FELLOWSHIP

Please join us in the Petersen Gallery
to celebrate Wally's 90th!

THANK YOU!

The Staff wishes to thank everyone for their kindness, generosity, time, and genuine appreciation as expressed at last week's Staff Appreciation celebration. We are blessed to be part of the Southminster community.

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PRELUDE

Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy
arr. Shackley

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us after services for a celebration of Wally's 90th!
- Please sign friendship pads

CENTERING & LIGHTING CANDLES

Lay Reader: Kurt Sand

Choir Director: Steven Schaefer

Pianist: Kenn Willson

Handbell Director: Dan Anajovich

Flowers: Molly Cherry in memory of her parents and brothers

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

J.D. Salinger

The mark of the immature man is that he wants to die nobly for a cause, while the mark of the mature man is that he wants to live humbly for one.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather, as God's people, bringing our fears and pain, knowing that when our spirits have grown cold, God may rekindle the gift of faith in us.

We gather, as God's people, hanging our broken hearts on the branches of the tree of life. Knowing that God can transform those we disagree with into sisters and brothers.

We gather, as God's people, hungering for healing and hope, **knowing that even when life is no picnic,** God prepares a feast for us.

OPENING HYMN

Jesus, Lover of My Soul
#440 all verses

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and Youth are dismissed.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Luke 16:1-13

He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a steward, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.' And the steward said to himself, '

What shall I do, since my master is taking the stewardship away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that people may receive me into their houses when I am put out of the stewardship.'

So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' And he said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' The master commended the dishonest steward for his shrewdness; for the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means

of unrighteous mammon, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal habitations.

"He who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and he who is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon."

THEME READING

Maya Angelou

Most people don't grow up. Most people age. They find parking spaces, honor their credit cards, get married, have children, and call that maturity. What that is, is aging.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Appalachian Sunrise
by Scott Pfitzinger
Southminster Handbell Choir

SERMON

The Long Road to Growing Up
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

HYMN OF RESPONSE

O Master, Let me Walk with Thee
#738 all verses

CORPORATE PRAYER

from the New Zealand Book of Prayer

Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe;
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed US. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trial too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
arr. Mark Hayes

DOXOLOGY

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.
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