



SOUTHMINSTER Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 25, 2022

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

TODAY Where Gladness and Hunger Meet

Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya



Kuol Agany with brothers John & Madut - South Sudanese refugees at Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya where school is not free and opportunities to earn money are few. As world grain prices have increased, rations from the UNHCR have been cut, and each month Kuol and his family do not receive enough for them to eat every day. Can you help them? See Alice Check for more info.

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PRELUDE

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy
arr. Shackley

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign friendship pads
- Water to Wine October 9
- Children's Choir with Jenn!
- Nimble Fingers needs you.
- Adult Ed Class: Economic Justice:
From Genesis to Today

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Alice Check
Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya

CENTERING & LIGHTING

CANDLES

Lay Reader: Vicki March
Choir Director: Steven Schaefer
Pianist: Kenn Willson

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

Frederick Buechner
Wishful Thinking: A Theological ABC

If you don't have doubts you're either kidding yourself or asleep. Doubts are the ants-in-the-pants of faith. They keep it alive and moving.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

written by Kristin Minister (2016)

God is a verb
Living within you and me
Fleshing our flesh
Rejoicing our joy
Crying our sorrow
And empowering us to swim upstream.

Goading despair with a healing
That cancels resignation,
We act as if we are secure,
Laughing as we falter,
Singing through our pain
And celebrating the gift of being.

OPENING HYMN

Christ Has Called Us To New Visions
Tune: Hyfrydol #2 356

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
Please share Christ's peace to one another.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and Youth are dismissed.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 25:1-13

Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'

Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise men answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, rather go to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while

they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

THEME READING

Frederick Buechner
Wishful Thinking: A Theological ABC

Of the seven deadly sins, anger is possibly the most fun. To lick your wounds, to smack your lips over grievances long past, to roll over your tongue the prospect of bitter confrontations still to come, to savor to the last toothsome morsel both the pain you are given and the pain you are giving back--in many ways it is a feast fit for a king. The chief drawback is that what you are wolfing down is yourself. The skeleton at the feast is you.

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

INTRO VIDEO TO SERMON

Where Gladness and Hunger Meet
Rev. Don Ludwig

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Faith Has Set Us On a Journey
Tune: Holy Manna - #268

A TIME FOR MEDITATION AND NAMING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Starhawk, Dreaming the Dark

Community,
Somewhere, there are people
To whom we can speak with passion
Without having the words catch in our throats.
Somewhere a circle of hands will open to receive us,
Eyes will light up as we enter, voices will celebrate with us
Whenever we come into our own power.
Community means strength that joins our strength
To do the work that needs to be done.
Arms to hold us when we falter.
A circle of healing. A circle of friends.
Someplace where
We can be free. A-men.

OFFERING

Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us
arr. Shackley

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

CLOSING HYMN

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me
Hymn #700

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

All Creatures of Our God and King
arr. Shackley

FELLOWSHIP