

**Contact Judith Foster
to help with...**

SOUTHMINSTER
Presbyterian Church

Advent Fair

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

- Secret Room
- Corn Flake Wreaths
- Cookie Decorating
- Rag Garland
- Lace Snowflakes
- Christmas Cards
- Cookies & Hot Chocolate
- Guessing Jar
- Soup & Bread
- & much, much more!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Poinsettia pick up - Friday, December 2 from 1-3pm
- Advent Fair - Sunday December 4 after 10am service
- Women's potluck - Monday, December 5 at 6pm
(meet at church to carpool at 530pm for potluck)
- Christmas Trains - Tuesday, December 20, from 1-3pm
- Family Celebration of the First Christmas - Saturday, December 24 at 5pm
- Christmas Trains - Saturday, December 24 after 5pm service
- Candlelight Service - Saturday, December 24 at 11pm
- Christmas Day Service - Sunday, December 25 at 10am
- Christmas Trains - Tuesday, December 27, from 1-3pm
- Christmas Trains - Thursday, December 29, from 1-3pm
- New Year's Day Service - Sunday, January 1 at 10am
- Christmas Trains - Sunday, January 1 after 10am service



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Sunday, November 27, 2022

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

Expecting a Vision



This photo represents peas and carrots in color and in color blindness.

We often take our ability to enjoy the varied colors of nature for granted. Statistics show that 1 in 12 men and 1 in 200 women can't fully distinguish these colors due to a condition called color blindness. This condition affects around 300 million people globally. Imagine food or your family or the holidays without color! New glasses are changing that. Check out people's reactions when trying these life changing glasses!



PRELUDE

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent
arr. Craig Curry

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign and date friendship pads
- Christmas Trains - spread the news!
- Advent Fair next Sunday
- Secret room gifts needed
- Poinsettia pick up Friday, December 2
- Holiday Outreach 2022

CENTERING & LIGHTING CANDLES

Lay Reader: Sandy Ruff
Choir Director: Steven Schaefer
Pianist: Kenn Willson
Technical Director: Moses Ram

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

Tom Bodett

They say a person needs just three things
to be truly happy in this world: someone
to love, something to do, and something
to hope for.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

There is an ember of hope -
The banked fire of creation -
It's the promise of God
To Mary
To Joseph
To us.
It glows in every heart;
In every soul it seeks to burst into flame.

We now light the first candle of Advent.

OPENING HYMN

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Hymn #88 verses 1, 6, 7

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and Youth are dismissed.

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING

Habakkuk 1:2-4, 2:1-4

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?
Or cry to you “Violence!”
and you will not save?
Why do you make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.
So the law becomes slack,
and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous;
therefore judgment comes forth
perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what God will say
to me
and what God will answer concerning
my complaint.
Then the Lord answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.
For there is still a vision for the appointed
time;
it speaks of the end and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come; it will not delay.
Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their
faithfulness.

THEME READING

Robert Fulghum

I believe that imagination is stronger than
knowledge. That myth is more potent
than history. That dreams are more
powerful than facts. That hope always
triumphs over experience. That laughter is
the only cure for grief. And I believe that
love is stronger than death.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Once In Royal David's City

SERMON

Expecting a Vision
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Watchman, Tell Us of the Night
Hymn #97 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

Mary's Little Boy Child
Jester Hairston

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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CLOSING HYMN

Be Thou My Vision
Hymn #450 verses 1-2

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

You Shall Go Out with Joy
Geoffrey Andrews

FELLOWSHIP

