



SOUTHMINSTER Presbyterian Church

Sunday, June 25, 2023

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

TODAY *The Definition of Family*



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DATES TO REMEMBER

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Rummage Sale July 20-22
Warren Aney Celebration of Life
Tuesday, July 25 at 2 pm
Saying Goodbye to Margherita
Sunday, July 30
All Church Summer Potluck and
Barbecue Sunday, August 13
Southminster Reads Coming Soon



fam-i-ly;
noun

all the descendants of a
common ancestor

Basic math tells us that
all humans share
ancestors, but it's
amazing how recently
those shared ancestors
lived. Thanks to genetic
data in the 21st century,
scientists are
discovering that we really
are all descended from
one mother.





PRELUDE & BRINGING OF THE LIGHT

When the Saints Go Marching In/Glory, Glory Hallelujah, arr. Mark Hayes

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LAY READER

Sandy Ruff

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

“When everything goes to hell, the people who stand by you without flinching -- they are your family.” — Jim Butcher

CALL TO WORSHIP

“Anyone who receives you, receives me,

and anyone who receives me, receives the One who sent me.”

Sisters and brothers, boys and girls:

We gather together in the presence of the God

who receives us with open arms,

who loves us unconditionally, and who bids us do the same to all others

Let us worship God together!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please offer to each other a sign of peace.

OPENING HYMN

#39 “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 10:34-39

“Don’t think that I’ve come to bring peace to the earth. I haven’t come to bring peace but a sword. I’ve come to turn a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.

People’s enemies are members of their own households.

“Those who love father or mother more than me aren’t worthy of me. Those who love son or daughter more than me aren’t worthy of me. Those who don’t pick up their crosses and follow me aren’t worthy of me. Those who find their lives will lose them, and those who lose their lives because of me will find them.

THEME READING

“There is no such thing as a “broken family.” Family is family, and is not determined by marriage certificates, divorce papers, and adoption documents. Families are made in the heart. The only time family becomes null is when those ties in the heart are cut. If you cut those ties, those people are not your family. If you make those ties, those people are your family. And if you hate those ties, those people will still be your family because whatever you hate will always be with you.”

— C. JoyBell C.

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON

The Definition of Family

Rev. Scott Dalgarno



RESPONSIVE HYMN

#50 “Deep in the Shadows of the Past”

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

Musical Moment #5 (excerpt) by S. Rachmaninoff

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

#190 “Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Somewhere Over the Rainbow, arr. Dan Coates

FELLOWSHIP