

SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 16, 2023

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

TODAY God, The Extravagant

DATES TO REMEMBER

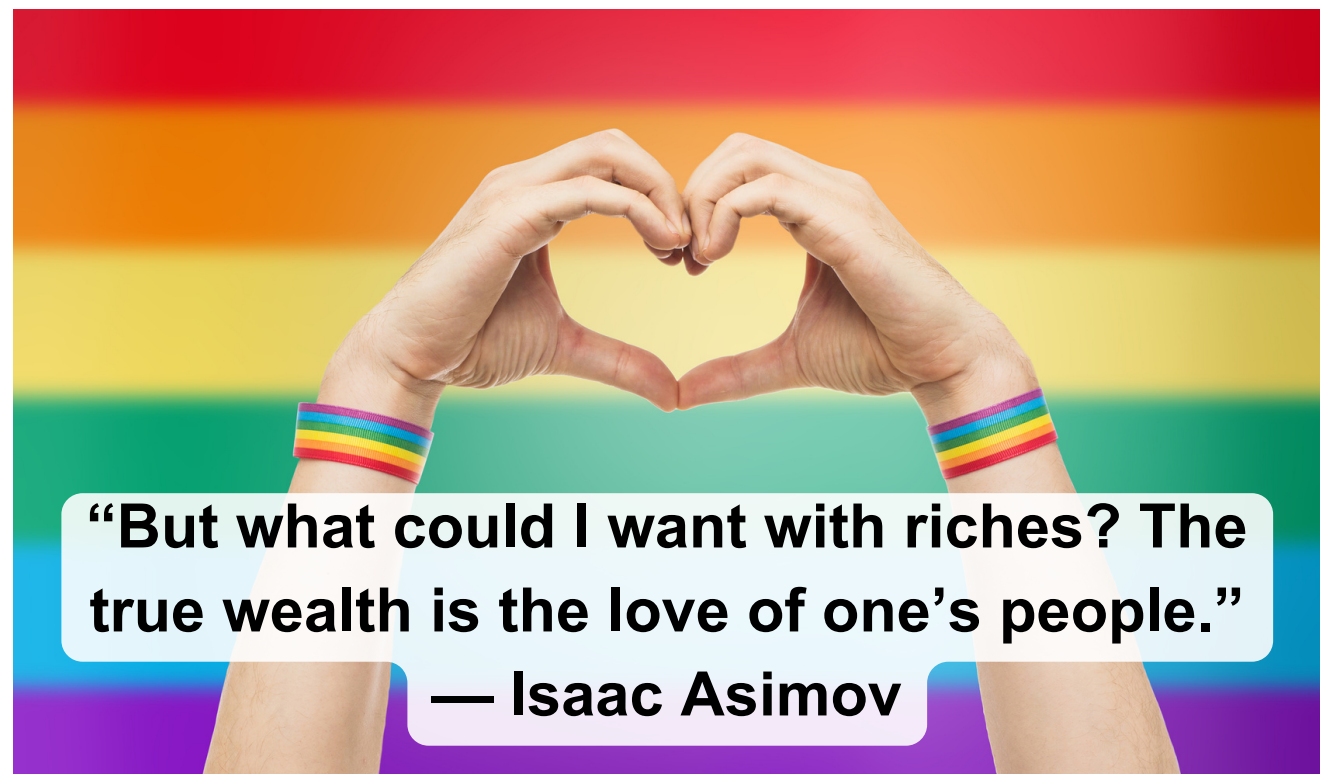
- College Gathering & BBQ - TODAY at the Ludwig home from 5:30-8:30 pm
- Mariners Gathering Friday, July 21 at 6 pm at the home of June Carlson and Andy Gordon
- Rummage Sale July 20-22, Volunteer Sign-up Sheets available in Petersen Gallery, Drop-off now through July 19
- Sign Up for Summer Music – See Steven
- Drop-In Choir Practice Sunday, July 23 at 9:15 - 9:45 am. Everyone welcome!
- Warren Aney Celebration of Life Tuesday, July 25 at 2 pm
- Saying Goodbye to Margherita Sunday, July 30
- Bert Schmidt Celebration of Life Saturday, August 12 at 2 pm
- All Church Summer Potluck and Barbecue Sunday, August 13
- Southminster Reads *Saving Grace*

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“But what could I want with riches? The true wealth is the love of one’s people.”

— Isaac Asimov



PRELUDE & BRINGING OF THE LIGHT

We Shall Behold God, Arr. by Mark Hayes

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- College Gathering & BBQ - TODAY at the Ludwig home from 5:30-8:30 pm
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- Westside Interfaith Neighbors Event POSTPONED
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LAY READER

Dan Rasmussen

THIS IS A
SAFE
SPACE



PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

“War represents the seemingly endless conflict between governments seeking power and control versus individual persons seeking freedom and liberty.”

— Kilroy J. Oldster

CALL TO WORSHIP

What mysteries there are in God’s world!

We, so sophisticated, stand in awe at the wonders of the natural world.

We look at the tiniest of seeds and wonder what will happen.

From that small seed will grow a large shrub.

Although we consider our gifts to be small and insignificant,

God will use our gifts in miraculous ways.

Praise the God of small seeds and mighty power.

Amen.

— by Nancy C. Townley

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

#816 “If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee”

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 13: 1-9

That day Jesus went out of the house and sat down beside the lake. Such large crowds gathered around him that he climbed into a boat and sat down. The whole crowd was standing on the shore. He said many things to them in parables: “A farmer went out to scatter seed. As he was scattering seed, some fell on the path, and birds came and ate it. Other seed fell on rocky ground where the soil was shallow. They sprouted immediately because the soil wasn’t deep. But when the sun came up, it scorched the plants, and they dried up because they had no roots. Other seed fell among thorny plants. The thorny plants grew and choked them. Other seed fell on good soil and bore fruit, in one case a yield of one hundred to one, in another case a yield of sixty to one, and in another case a yield of thirty to one. Everyone who has ears should pay attention.”

THEME READING

“I could not find any evidence that her circumstances had harmed Jane Austen's work in the slightest. That, perhaps, was the chief miracle about it. Here was a woman about the year 1800 writing without hate, without bitterness, without fear, without protest, without preaching. Her mind consumed all impediments.”

— Harold Bloom

SPECIAL MUSIC

How Great Thou Art Words and Music by Stuart K. Hine, Arr. by Mark Hayes

SERMON

God, The Extravagant
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN

#7 “Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth”

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

It Is Well With My Soul
Music by Philip P. Bliss, Arr. by 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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CLOSING HYMN

#203
“Jesu, Jesu Fill Us With Your Love”

BENEDICTION



POSTLUDE

Sonata No. 16 in C Major K. 545 Mvt. 1
By Mozart

FELLOWSHIP

