

SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 9, 2023

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Water to Wine TODAY at Rick & Jean Collins at 2 pm
- College Gathering & BBQ - Sunday, July 16 at the Ludwig home from 5:30-8:30 pm
- Westside Interfaith Neighbors Event Sunday, July 16 at 10 am
- 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 *Saving Grace*

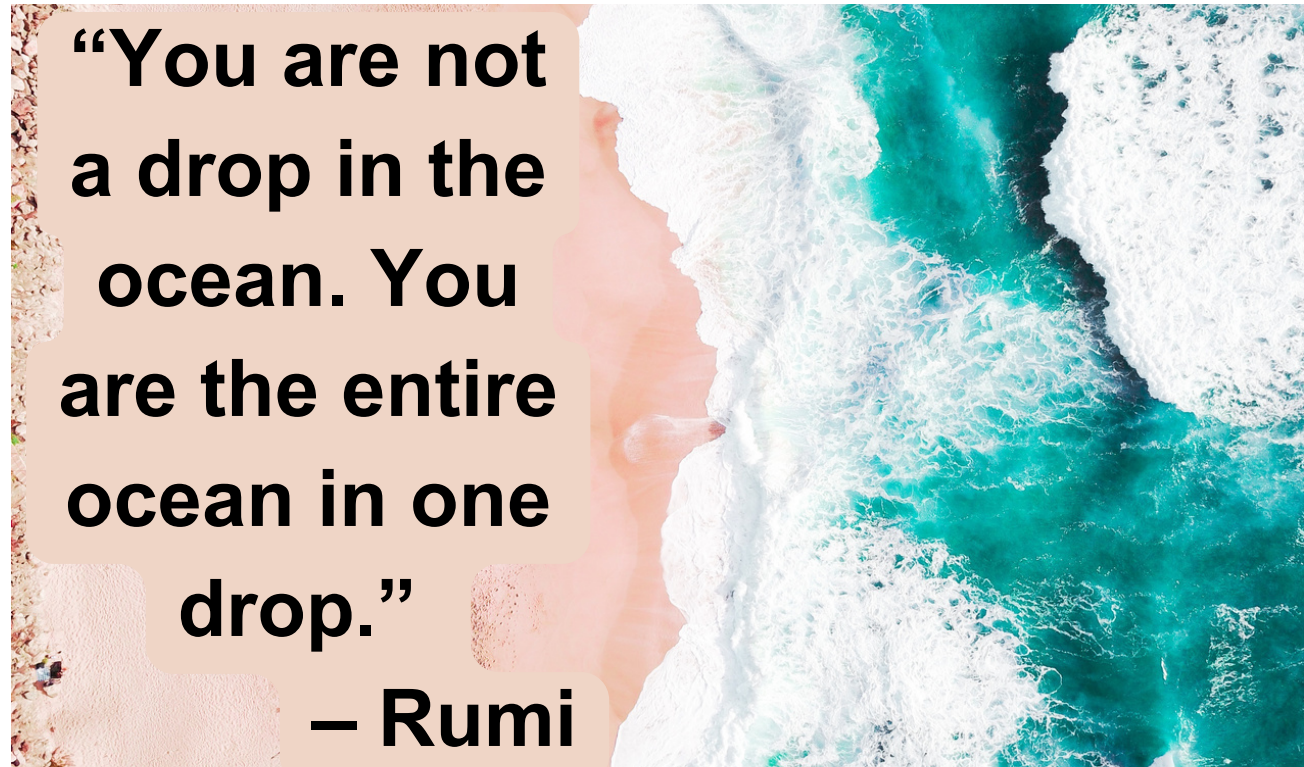
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TODAY *The Great Consolation*





PRELUDE & BRINGING OF THE LIGHT

I'll Fly Away by Albert E. Brumley
arr., Mark Hayes

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LAY READER

Claire Shrader

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in thee." —St. Augustine

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all that are weary, all that are carrying burdens too heavy to bear alone

Jesus, give us rest

Come, take what Jesus has to offer: love, forgiveness, and grace

Christ, give us peace

Come, find rest and wisdom

Jesus offers us rest for our souls

Come, let us worship our God

Let us follow the one who leads us into life.

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

#366 "Love Divine, All Love Excelling"

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-26, 28-30

"To what will I compare this generation? It is like a child sitting in the marketplaces calling out to others, 'We played the flute for you and you didn't dance. We sang a funeral song and you didn't mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' Yet the Human One came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunk, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved to be right by her works."

At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, God, Lord of heaven and earth, because you've hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have shown them to babies. Indeed, this brings you happiness.

"Come to me, all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. Put on my yoke, and learn from me. I'm gentle and humble. And you will find rest for yourselves. My yoke is easy to bear, and my burden is light."

THEME READING

"God uses broken things. It takes broken soil to produce a crop, broken clouds to give rain, broken grain to give bread, broken bread to give strength. It is the broken alabaster box that gives forth perfume. It is Peter, weeping bitterly, who returns to greater power than ever."

— Vance Havner

SPECIAL MUSIC

In the Garden by C. Austin Miles
arr., Mark Hayes

SERMON

The Great Consolation
Rev. Scott Dalgarno



RESPONSIVE HYMN

#835 "Just a Closer Walk With Thee"

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

Be Still and Know with Be Still My Soul
(Finlandia) 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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CLOSING HYMN

#697 "Take My Life"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Pathetique

Sonata Op. 18 Mvt. 3 Beethoven

FELLOWSHIP