



SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 12, 2023

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

TODAY

When Time Is Short



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Southminster 101 TODAY and Sunday,
November 19 at 11:30 am (after worship)
in the Sanctuary
Family Promise hosting week is
November 19 - 25
Children's Handbells November 19, and 26



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**Now is the time to unite the soul and the world.
Now is the time to see the sunlight dancing as one
with the shadows. - Rumi**



PRELUDE & BRINGING OF THE LIGHT

Medley- of TUNES:
Laude Anima and Lobe den Herren

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Special Congregational Hybrid Meeting in the Sanctuary after service TODAY
- Water to Wine at the home of Donna Bekooy TODAY at 2 pm
- Southminster 101 TODAY and Sunday, November 19 at 11:30 am (after worship) in the Sanctuary
- Family Promise hosting week is November 19 - 25
- Minute for Stewardship
- Children's Handbells Sunday, November 19 and 26

LAY READER

Rick Collins

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"The story of my recent life.' I like that phrase. It makes more sense than 'the story of my life', because we get so many lives between birth and death. A life to be a child. A life to come of age. A life to wander, to settle, to fall in love, to parent, to test our promise, to realize our mortality- and in some lucky cases, to do something after that realization."

~ Mitch Albom



CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Isaiah 55)

Come, all you who are thirsty,

come to the waters;

and you who have no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without cost.

Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy?

Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest fare.

Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you,

Says God.

Let us rejoice and worship.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us offer signs of Christ's peace to one another.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

OPENING HYMN

#315 In The Midst of New Dimensions

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 25:1-13

"Then the reign of God will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 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, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

THEME READING

"To be the father of growing daughters is to understand something of what Yeats evokes with his imperishable phrase 'terrible beauty.' Nothing can make one so happily exhilarated or so frightened: it's a solid lesson in the limitations of self to realize that your heart is running around inside someone else's body. It also makes me quite astonishingly calm at the thought of death: I know whom I would die to protect and I also understand that nobody but a lugubrious serf can possibly wish for a father who never goes away." ~ Christopher Hitchens

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON

When Time Is Short
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN

#350
Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

CORPORATE PRAYER

by Fred F. Keip
Indwelling God,
infused throughout all existence,
we honor you with many names.
Your realm is within the human heart.
We accept life for all that it can be,
on earth as throughout all creation.
May we continue to draw sustenance from this earth,
and may we receive forgiveness equal to our own.
May we ever move from separation toward union,
to live in grace, with love in our hearts,
forever and ever.
Amen.

OFFERTORY

Here I am to Worship, arr. Lloyd Larson

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

#695 Change My Heart O God
(twice through)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

This Little Light of Mine, arr. by Mark Hayes

FELLOWSHIP

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

