



SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 28, 2024

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



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sunday, August 4 at 9 am Next Pop-Up Choir in the Choir Room
- Sunday, August 4 after service Adult Ed discussion in person and on Zoom, Topic: "The Religious History of Abortion: Patriarchy and the Future of Religion"
- Sunday, August 11 at 2 pm Water to Wine at the home of Kirstin Fredrickson and Martin Baker
- Friday, August 16 at 6 pm Mariners Gathering Roger and Sharon Davidson hosting
- Sunday, August 18 after service All Church Potluck and BBQ



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TODAY
Working on God

**"Life is a balance
of holding on
and letting go."
~ Rumi**

PRELUDE
Blessed Assurance, Arr. Mark Hayes

- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- Please sign friendship pads
 - Summer Reading: “Poverty: by America”
 - TODAY after service Adult Ed: The Critical Role of Congregations in Protecting Our Diverse Democracy Against Christian Nationalists in person and on Zoom
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 - Thank you Grubby Saturday volunteers!
 - Please sign up to help with flowers and coffee
 - Lay Reader: Mary Gehr

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION
“Learning to let go should be learned before learning to get. Life should be touched, not strangled. You’ve got to relax, let it happen at times, and at other times move forward with it.”
~ Ray Bradbury



CALL TO WORSHIP
We come believing in our emptiness,
**believing that we will never have enough,
believing that what we have is unworthy.**
We come fearful of sharing,
**fearful of losing our tenuous grip on security,
fearful of touching and knowing the pain of others.**
We come overwhelmed by the hunger,
**overwhelmed by the suffering of children near and far,
overwhelmed by the endless tales of senseless violence,
greed, and death.**
We come aching from the weight of the responsibility,
**aching from the chilling challenge of knowing our abundance,
aching from the gnawing awareness that we have much to share.**
We come clinging to our meager lunches;
bless them, and us.
break them, and us.
share them, and us.

OPENING HYMN
#14 For The Beauty of the Earth

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.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING
Mark 6:30-34
The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he began to teach them many things.

THEME READING
“The most confused you will ever get is when you try to convince your heart and spirit of something your mind knows is a lie.”
~ Shannon L. Adler

SPECIAL MUSIC
Piano Sonata No. 8, Op. 13
III. Rondo (Allegro)
by L. V. Beethoven (1770-1827)

SERMON
Working on God
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN
#803 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need



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
Canzona by Johann Kaspar Kerll (1627-1693)

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
#274 You Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
I'll Fly Away by Albert E. Brumley
Arr. Mark Hayes

FELLOWSHIP