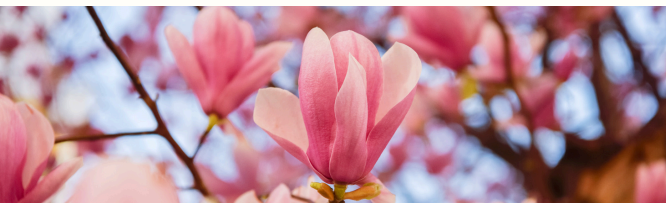


SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 30, 2025

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



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Saturday, April 5 from 8:30 to 11 am
Grubby Saturday

- **Sunday, April 6 at 11 am**
Southminster Spring Potluck

- Saturday, April 12 at 7:30 pm
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- **Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday**

- Sunday, April 13 from 11:20 am to 1:00 pm
OWL parent/caregiver meeting in room 8

- **Sunday, April 13 at 2 pm Water to Wine**

- Thursday, April 17 at 7 pm
Maundy Thursday Service

- **Friday, April 18 at 6 pm Mariners Gathering**

- Sunday, April 20 Easter

- **Saturday, April 26**

Rebuilding Together Workday - Save the Date!



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TODAY
***"There was a man who
had two sons .."***



**The past is behind, learn from it. The future is
ahead, prepare for it. The present is here, live it.**

-Thomas S. Monson

PRELUDE
Prelude in C-Sharp Minor,
Sergei Rachmaninoff

- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- Please sign the friendship pads.
 - TODAY at 11:15 am recognizing Rev. C. Bunny Oliver and Warm Springs Mission Church presentation
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 - Lay Readers: Keli-i & Ashley Fernandez

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION & MOVEMENT PRAYER (TAIZE)
*Bless the Lord, my soul,
and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul,
who leads me into light.*



CALL TO WORSHIP
let this be the welcoming place
the place of return

**let it be built by a love
that bends towards
those who return**

for it is a love that has been waiting
like a candle in the window

**ever lighting the way back
and never willing to let go
the hope that each
child of God will come home**

let it be the place where the only appropriate
response to love that has come to the end of
its longing is to kill the fatted calf,

**To feast and celebrate
send up balloons for that
which has been lost and
has returned to be
among us once more**
~ Roddy Hamilton

OPENING HYMN
#366 Love Divine All Loves Excelling

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 are dismissed.

NEW TESTAMENT READING
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent

READING CONTINUED
everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe-the best one-and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

THEME READING
“Farewells can be shattering, but returns are surely worse. Solid flesh can never live up to the bright shadow cast by its absence. Time and distance blur the edges; then suddenly the beloved has arrived, and it's noon with its merciless light, and every spot and pore and wrinkle and bristle stands clear.”
~ Margaret Atwood, *The Blind Assassin*

SPECIAL MUSIC
Set Me as a Seal by Richard Nance
French Horn, Francis VanBockel

SERMON
“*There was a man who had two sons ..*”
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN
#762 When the Poor Ones

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
Doctor Gradus Ad Parnassum, Claude Debussy

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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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
Pure Spirit, Steve Allee

FELLOWSHIP