



**SOUTHMINSTER**

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 20, 2025

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



### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Saturday, July 26 at 8 am, Grubby Saturday
- Sunday, August 3rd at 11:15 am  
Southminster Summer Picnic Potluck
- Thursday, August 14 at 11:30 am, Rummage Sale  
Thank You Brunch in the Petersen Gallery

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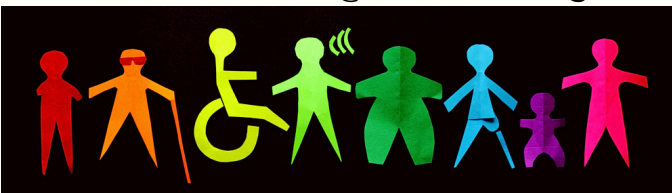
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# TODAY

## “God, Science, and Common Sense”

**We can see in creation the  
greatness and beauty of God.**

~ **Randy Alcorn, Author & Co-pastor**

**Good Shepherd Community Church**  
**near Gresham, Oregon**



## PRELUDE

Amazing Grace by John Newton

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign the friendship pads
- TODAY at 2 pm Water to Wine at Willamette View. Contact Craig Butler at [craig.butler3@frontier.com](mailto:craig.butler3@frontier.com)
- Saturday, July 26 at 8 am Grubby Saturday. Contact Audrey Scheidler at [ascheid62@hotmail.com](mailto:ascheid62@hotmail.com)
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- Summer Reading: *"The Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World"*
- Lay Reader: Jaki Schmunk
- Hymn Leaders: Diane Bender & Claire Schrader

## PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"I do not feel obliged to believe that the same God who has endowed us with sense, reason, and intellect has intended us to forgo their use."

~ Galileo Galilei,

*Letter to the Grand Duchess Christina*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Come with your questions,  
come with your awe!

**For the God who broods  
over the chaos meets us  
in this place.**

Come with your energy,  
come with your weariness!

**For the God who breathes  
new life into the dust  
meets us in this place.**

Come with your sadness,  
come with your joy!

**For the God who dared  
to become human  
meets us in this place.**

~ Katherine Hawker

## 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.

## OPENING HYMN

#23

God, You Spin The Whirling Planets

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Children and youth are dismissed.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1-5, 26-31

When God began to create the heavens and the earth, the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Then God said, "Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humans in God's image, in the image of God. God created them; male and female. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be

## READING

fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

## THEME READING

"We are here because one odd group of fishes had a peculiar fin anatomy that could transform into legs for terrestrial creatures; because the earth never froze entirely during an ice age; because a small and tenuous species, arising in Africa a quarter of a million years ago, has managed, so far, to survive by hook and by crook."

~ Stephen Jay Gould

## SPECIAL MUSIC

## SERMON

*"God, Science, and Common Sense"*  
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

Solfeggietto by C.P.E Bach

## 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

#66 Every Time I Feel The Spirit

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Waltz for Debbie Bill Evan's Gene &  
Gene Lees

## FELLOWSHIP