

# Meet the Staff

## Audrey (she/her)

Nursery/Preschool

Cooordinator

Audrey is exceptional at meeting littles at Southmin with a kind, calm, and encouraging presence. She grew up at Southmin, and she continues to be a valuable part of our thriving community.



## Katie (she/her)

Interim Youth

Ministry Director

Katie is a Professional Counselor Associate, a long-standing member at Southmin, and mom of 3 with an M.A. in Counseling Psychology from The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology, a progressive Christian graduate school. Her studies focused on liberation and queer theology, shame and trauma, mindfulness, and best practices for gender-affirming care.



## Contacts

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## Brightwheel

New with us?  
Please register.  
We utilize Brightwheel for  
Check-In and Check-out  
of children programs.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD  
[www.southmin.org](http://www.southmin.org)

## More Information

Trauma-informed  
Attentive to Neurodivergent Needs  
First Aid & CPR Trained

Professional experience providing  
instruction and emotional support  
in Public School settings



**SOUTHMINSTER**  
Presbyterian Church

## Children & Youth Ministries



Learning,  
Loving,  
Serving,  
Growing



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## Monthly Reading to Balsam

Kids take turns reading to Balsam, a puppy training to be an Emotional Support Dog.

## Children Sunday School

Preschool–5th Grade  
10:15 am Sundays in Rm 8

1. Songs
2. Opener
3. Lesson adapted from "Joyful Path" Curriculum by Progressive Christianity
1. Story
2. Activity/Snack



## Music

Sing with us!

**New Children & Youth Choir!**  
Bringing the joy of song into young lives.

## Children Handbells

Join us!

- Babies–8th grade
- **Performances** once a quarter
- **Rehearsals**, same day as performances
- **Call Time** is 9:20 am in the Sanctuary.
- No experience necessary! We'd be thrilled to have you join our rehearsal the day of the performance.

## Youth Band

Recruiting!

**Electric drums? Electric bass guitar?**  
Seeking young musicians or kids with an eagerness to learn. We will develop songs to share at Sunday Worship!



## Youth



### Monthly Social Events

Laser Tag, Bowling, Beach Retreats, Wings & Waves Water Park, Hiking, Live Clue Game

### Youth Sunday School Rooms 3 & 4

- 6th–12<sup>th</sup> graders  
10:15 am in Youth Lounge
1. Treats & Opening Question
  2. Bible Lesson (curriculum by PCUSA)
  3. Hang Time in the Youth Rec Room

### Our Whole Lives (OWL) Program

- Research-based curriculum originally created by the UCC denomination
- Age-appropriate
  - Students learn about Boundaries, Consent, Sexual/Gender Identity, Sex Positivity, Inclusive & Affirming
  - Parent Educational Sessions 1/month after church

### Monthly Community Service

Bethlehem House of Bread Food Pantry, Northwest Children's Outreach, Hands on Portland

### Yearly Mission Trips

(Local, Domestic, International)