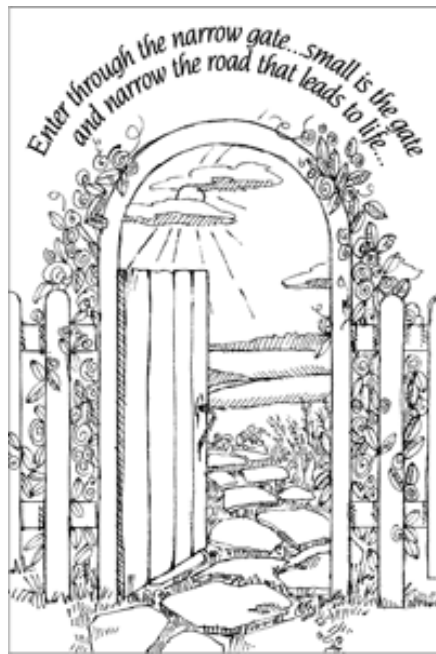


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*Southminster Presbyterian Church of Springfield, MO, is called by God to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, to minister in love to the needs of members of the congregation and residents of the community, and to promote peace and justice in the world.*

*"Someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith."*

*James 2:18*

**Ministers: All Members of the Congregation**

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Associates in Education:  
Andrew and Gaye Sands  
Director of Music: Dr. Rose Mary Owens

Pianist: Lou Howard  
Organist: Dr. Lynda Crowder  
Administrative Assistant: Brenda Jo Hilburn

SOUTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*Seventh Sunday after Christmas* *February 7, 2010*

*Anyone in need of child care in the nursery,  
please contact the head usher.*

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
\*Indicates Congregation Standing  
Assistant Worship Leader today is Steve Palmer

**Southminster...**  
***A community of faith; living and sharing God's love.***

PRELUDE

Lani Smith

*"God Is Our Refuge and Strength"*

*You are invited to let the music and quiet meditation  
prepare you for a worshipful encounter with God.*

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the names of each family member present today on the Ritual of Friendship located in the pews on the center aisle. Please share any concerns you have by completing a concern card, located in the pew racks, and passing it to the center aisle. Ushers will pick them up during the Children's Sermon so that Pastor may alert the congregation of those in need of our prayers.

***The community gathers before God in Worship***

INTROIT

Stephen Adams

*"Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"*

*Lighting of the Candles by Acolyte Justin Sands*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of God's glory.

**People: We give you thanks, O God, with all our hearts for your steadfast love and faithfulness.**

Leader: Your name, O God, is exalted over all things, and your word goes forth to the ends of the earth.

**People: When we call to you, O God, you answer, and preserve our lives in the midst of trouble.**

Leader: You stretch out your hand to deliver us, and fulfill your purposes through us.

**People: We will sing of the ways of God, for great is the glory of God forever. Amen.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 66

*"To God Be the Glory"*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Depart from us, O God, for we are sinful people. Our lips are unclean and the communities in which we dwell are full of evil. We despair that this desolate wasteland is beyond hope and our confused ways cannot be straightened. Who can save us from ourselves? Do not leave us, O God, but answer us and help us. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

RESPONSE

J. Berthier

*"O Lord Hear My Prayer"*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PSALM LESSON

Pg. 677 (924 LP)

Psalm 119:33-40  
*Read Responsively*

ANTHEM

R. Lowry, Arr. Courtney

*"How Can I Keep From Singing"*  
Southminster Choir  
*The Choir requests no applause*

***The community hears God's Word***

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*(Afterward, children through age 4 may be dismissed to the nursery; Older Children may be dismissed to children's church with Andrew or Gaye Sands)*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Old Testament      Deuteronomy 6:4-15

Pg. 197-198 (260 LP)

New Testament      Matthew 7:13-14

Pg. 9 (1418 LP)

SERMON

Rev. William Luce

*"The Difficulty of Being Religious"*

***The community responds to God's Word***

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

No. 379

*"Take My Life and Let It Be"*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In Unison)

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was**

**conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 623

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

*(With silent prayer)*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Charles Gabriel, Arr. Ham

*"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"*

\*DOXOLOGY

No. 625

*"Praise God"*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)

**May our offerings provide places where the voice of Jesus may be heard. May they empower those who let down the nets at Christ's command to bring others into discipleship. Send us and our gifts on your mission, O God, and equip us by your grace to make a difference as apostles of your good news. Amen.**

\*RESPONSE

J. Berthier

“Alleluia”

***The community departs to serve in the Peace of God***

\*CLOSING HYMN

No. 483

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE

Don Besig

“Go Now In Peace”

Go now in Peace, never be afraid  
God will go with you each hour of every day  
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true  
Know He will guide you in all you do  
Go now in love and show you believe  
Reach out to others so all the world can see  
God will be there, watching from above  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

POSTLUDE

David Paxton

“With Wings Like Eagles”

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***Please pick up Lent packets in the Narthex.***

*Remember to sign up for DINNER WITH FRIENDS.  
Registration forms are on the table in the Narthex.*

*The books on the tables by the north windows in the Narthex are from Pastor Bill Havens’ library. Please look through the books and if you see any that you are interested in, feel free to add them to your own library.*

S O U T H M I N S T E R , A P R A Y I N G C H U R C H

*Please call the church office no later than Thursday with your joys or concerns if you want them in the bulletin. During worship, you may write them on a prayer card or give them verbally when the Pastor asks.*

**Presbytery Prayer Support of the Week**  
College of the Ozarks, Point Lookout, Missouri has approximately 20 members. They are being served by a campus minister.

JOYS

*Birthdays:* February 7: Andrew Sands, Donna Johnson, Brandt Shields; 10: Gaye Sands; 12: Gladys Jester.

*Anniversaries:* February 14: Rex & Betty Potts. Chuck Vergien and Bob Bird now at home.

CONCERNS

Rex Potts in Cox South; Jan Stokke Bennett in St John's; Jim Jester at Home; Gladys Jester in St John's; Sylvia "Tenny" Spurlock at Cox.

**ONGOING CONCERNS**

**Members**

Helen Calhoun  
@ **Elfindale Manor**

Ann Pearson  
@ **Jordan Creek**

June Speight  
@ **Magnolia Square**

Carolyn Deeds  
@ **Montclair**

Pat Porter  
@ **Union, MO**

Alma Baird  
Vera Goodall  
@ **Waterford**

Ted von Willer  
@ **V.A. Mt. Vernon**

Betty Reid  
@ **James River Care Center**

Isabel Lairmore  
Madalene Taylor  
@ **The Gardens**

Mary Shelton  
@ **Chicago**

Mescal Kennedy  
@ **Maranatha Manor**

Ruth Peterson  
@ **Culpepper West**

Bob Bird  
Mary Beth Bird  
@ **Quail Creek**

Lea Barcomb  
Dorothy Johnson  
Dale McDonald  
Betty Mulford  
Sharol Neely  
Rex & Betty Potts  
Martie Tyree  
@ **Home**

**Friends & Family**

Jan Bennett  
*daughter of Jean Stokke*

Bryan Billenstein  
*son of Jeanne*

Tami Montgomery  
*daughter of Rich & Toni*

Doug Palmer  
*son of Steve and Patsy*

Jack Shuler  
*grandson of Gondy*

Paul Fulkerson  
*son of Martie Tyree*



# Mini Scroll



We warmly welcome visitors and invite you to consider membership in our community of faith, if you do not have a church home. For more information

*Events this week – February 7th through February 14th, 2010*

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b> Lamp Lighter Church <b>9:30 AM</b> <b>Sunday School</b> <b>10:45 AM</b> <b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Rev. William Luce, Guest Minister</b> <i>Blood pressure checks sales following morning worship</i> <b>1:30 PM</b> Ukrainian Church <b>4:00 PM</b> Conservatory of the Ozarks Faculty Recital
<b>Monday</b>	<b>11:30 AM</b> Holland School Awards Luncheon hosted by the Mission Committee and will be held at the Church <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>Mission Committee Meeting</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Alcoholics Anonymous
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b> <b>Morning PW Circle @ the home of Roberta Nicholson</b> <b>1219 E. Broadmoor, Springfield</b> <b>1:30 PM</b> <b>Afternoon PW Circle @ the home of Sue Moore</b> <b>2611 E. Corona Circle, Springfield</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Overeaters Anonymous <b>6:30 PM</b> Sweet Adelines <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>Evening PW Circle</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Ukrainian Church <b>7:30 PM</b> 12 Step Group (Closed)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b> TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Meeting <b>1:00 PM</b> <b>Property Committee Meeting</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Alcoholics Anonymous <b>5:45 PM</b> <b>Wonderful Wednesdays</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> <b>Dinner Provided by Stewardship Committee</b> <b>7:15 PM</b> <b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b> Ukrainian Church
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b> Alcoholics Anonymous
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b> 12 Step Group (Closed) <b>12:00 NOON</b> Overeaters Anonymous <b>1:00 PM</b> Baby Shower <b>2:00 PM</b> <b>Retirement Reception for Pastor Bill Havens</b>
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b> Lamp Lighter Church <b>9:30 AM</b> <b>Sunday School</b> <b>10:45 AM</b> <b>Morning Worship</b> <b>Rev. Mary Newbern-Williams, Guest Minister</b> <i>Coffee sales following morning worship</i> <b>1:30 PM</b> Ukrainian Church <b>6:00 PM</b> <b>Session Meeting</b>

