



SOUTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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.

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation
Associates in Education: Andrew & Gaye Sands
Director of Music: Dr. Rose Mary Owens

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

"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

Palm Sunday

March 28, 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 Brenda Stone

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

PRELUDE

Arr. Dick Tarrant

"Were You There?" with "Amazing Grace"

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.

The community gathers before God in Worship

INTROIT

Stephen R. Adams

"Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"

Lighting of the candles by Acolyte Cody Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The great entrance is prepared. In the olive grove leaves are still and the wind is hushed.

People: In reverence they welcome the Messiah.

Leader: Silently he rides the beast of burden and peace into Jerusalem.

People: As he draws near, the silence melts into joyful clamor.

Leader: This is he who has taught and healed, and raised the dead. The Messiah is in our midst.

People: With the joyful throng and the bountiful earth, we praise Christ our King.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 174

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All we like sheep have gone astray, O Lord, each of us to our own way. Jesus suffered the betrayal of Judas, the abandonment of his disciples, the denial of Peter, the discouraging sleep of James and John. We confess we see their unfaithfulness in ourselves. The enemies of Jesus cursed him, tormented him, and called for his death. Our hearts break in pondering our own roles. The brokenness of our world is made manifest in the brokenness of our lives, and Jesus' suffering lays it bare. Forgive us, O God, for the wrongs we have done, for the good we failed to do, and for our lack of faithfulness. We cling to your grace in the strong name of the Messiah who comes. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

RESPONSE

J. Berthier

"O Lord Hear My Prayer"

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The community hears God's Word

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 31:9-16

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SANCTUS

(HOLY IS THE LORD)

A Musical offering for Palm Sunday

Presented by

THE SOUTHMINSTER CHURCH CHOIR
Dr. Rose Mary Owens, Director of Music
Lou Howard, Keyboard

Narration Written by Dr. Betty Gipson

And

Presented by Mrs. Jane Bogue

The performance today is given in memory of faithful choir members who have passed away within the past few days and months—Helen Lee, Bill Stype, Joann Ryan and Trudi Scott.

The community responds to God's Word

*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

MINUTE FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

String Quartet

DOXOLOGY

No. 625

"Praise God"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In Unison)

O God, as the gift of palm branches were laid before Jesus that day, we lay our gifts before you today as we enter Holy Week. Bless, we pray, all that we bring to you. Lead us to be loyal in serving you that our actions and our lives will prepare your way and make straight your path, that all the world may know you as Savior and King. Amen.

*RESPONSE

J. Berthier

"Alleluia"

The community departs to serve in the Peace of God

*CLOSING HYMN

No. 173

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

Don Besig

"Go Now In Peace"

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

POSTLUDE

Arr. Norman Warren

"St. Theodulph"



Our Holy Week programs continue on Thursday, April 1st. All the programs will be held in the Narthex beginning at 6:50.

“The Sign of Jonah” by Dr. Reed Lessing

Jonah ... for Lent? Sounds fishy, but it's a natural fit. When the Jews asked Jesus for a sign, he said, “I will give you only the sign of Jonah.” After three days in the belly of the earth, Jesus rose with the news of God’s prodigal grace. This series of special services explores the meaning of “The Sign of Jonah” as we follow Jonah on his journey and Jesus on his way to the cross.

HOLY WEEK

April 1—Maundy Thursday	“On the same Page”	Jonah 4:1-2
April 2—Good Friday	“The Answer”	Jonah 4:5-11
April 3—Easter	“The Sign of Life!”	Matthew 12:38-41

A Pancake Breakfast will be held in Fellowship Hall on Easter Sunday following the 8:30 am Youth Early Morning Service. The Seekers group will be serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, juice, and milk beginning at 9:15 am. If you would like to attend, please sign the sign-up sheet located in the Narthex.

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 give them verbally when the Pastor asks.

**Presbytery Prayer
Support of the Week**
Gibson Chapel Presbyterian Church,
Springfield, MO
has approximately 52 members.
They are being served by
The Reverend Don Glunt.

JOYS

Birthdays: March 31: Toni Montgomery; April 3: David Cottrill; 4: Vera Goodall

CONCERNS

Please extend sympathies to the family of Trudi Scott who passed away last Saturday, March 20th.
The Interim Pastor Search Committee who is seeking an interim pastor.

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**

Mary Beth Bird
@ **Quail Creek**

Lea Barcomb
Dorothy Johnson
Dale McDonald
Betty Mulford
Sharol Neely
Betty Potts
@ **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 about the church, contact one of the Elders.

Events this week – March 28th through April 4th, 2010

TODAY



Silver Dollar City Christian Weekend

- 8:30 AM** Lamp Lighter Church
- 9:30 AM** **Sunday School**
- 10:45 AM** **Morning Worship: Choir Cantata**
Easter lily order deadline
Coffee Sales following morning worship
- 1:30 PM** Ukrainian Church

Monday

- 7:00 PM** Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesday

- 9:30 AM** **Kathy Kaps**
- 6:00 PM** Overeaters Anonymous
- 6:30 PM** Sweet Adeline's
- 7:00 PM** Ukrainian Church
- 7:30 PM** 12 Step Group (Closed)

Wednesday

- 8:30 AM** TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Meeting
- 5:00 PM** Alcoholics Anonymous
- No Wonderful Wednesdays Services this week***



- 7:00 PM** **Maundy Thursday Services with communion**



- 7:00 PM** **Good Friday Services**
- 7:00 PM** Alcoholics Anonymous

Saturday

- 8:30 AM** 12 Step Group (Closed)
- 12:00 NOON** Overeaters Anonymous

Next Sunday



- 8:30 AM** Lamp Lighter Church
- 8:30 AM** **Easter Sunrise Service**
- 9:15 AM** **Pancake Breakfast**
- 9:30 AM** **Easter Egg Hunt**
- 10:45 AM** **Morning Worship**
"The Sign of Jonah" series conclusion
Blood pressure checks following morning worship
- 1:30 PM** Ukrainian Church