



Southminster Presbyterian Church

"A Christ-centered ... intentionally missional congregation ..."

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Celebration of Worship

May 26, 2024

11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Dulce Carmen
Ziebell

Elizabeth Peters

Ringing of the Hour

Welcome

Fred Barnes

* Call to Worship

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come into God's presence with singing!

People: **For the Lord is a gracious God,
Whose mercy is everlasting;
And whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

* Hymn of Praise #485

To God Be the Glory

Call to Confess

Jennifer Stampfel

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.
We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with you, God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.
In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.
Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.

Do not cast us from your presence,
or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation
And sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. ...

(Moment of Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Glory to God #579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.

Announcements

Moment for Ministry

Beth Frear-Hosking

Hymn

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know, as He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee, saying, "Let them come to Me."
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Children's Message

The children will be dismissed for their own message and then return later in the service.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

John 3:1-17

p. 863

Sermon

"Is Faith a Noun or a Verb?"

* Hymn of Response #306

Fairest Lord Jesus

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Doug Marshall

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness

*** Praise to God #592**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** Prayer of Dedication**

*** Hymn of Dedication #326**

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

Charge and Benediction

Congregational Response

To God be the Glory [Refrain]

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

And give him the glory: great things He hath done!

*** Postlude**

God of Our Fathers
Lehenbauer

** If you are able, please stand.*



With gratitude we welcome Elizabeth Peters as our organist today.

Welcome

If you are visiting with us this morning, WELCOME!

Please complete a CONNECT Card so we can be in touch with you.

Thank you for sharing Worship with us this morning.

Church Staff

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