**Southminster Presbyterian Church**

**Trinity Sunday/Memorial Day or the 64th Sunday of Covid**

**May 30, 2021**

**9:30 a.m.**

Find the link for the service on one of these sites:

1) our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/>
2) our web site: <https://www.southminsterpc.org/worship-videos>
3) our YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPgWICngOvkmR1OXgCG_wiA/videos>

If the video feed is interrupted during the service, we will continue to record and then post the full video on Facebook and our web site as soon as possible.

 Gathering Music

Our slideshow today is “Outdoor Cooking and Eating with Southminster Families.”

 Welcome, Announcements, and Moment for Mission

 Lighting the Candles (2 Corinthians 5:17)

**So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!**

 Prelude: *Be Still, My Soul*

 Call to Worship (*The Gift of Love*, edited)

 Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, come,

 **People: Our hearts control; we long to be made whole.**

 Leader: Let inward love guide our every deed;

 **All:** **By this we worship and are freed.**

 Hymn 289: *On Pentecost They Gathered* (verse 3)

**God pours the Holy Spirit on all who would believe,**

**On women, men, and children who would God’s grace receive.**

**The Spirit knows no limit, bestowing life and power.**

**The church, formed and reforming, responds in every hour.**

 Prayer of Confession:

**Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—we come not only to worship you but to seek your direction, because there are times when we have lost our way. Forgive us and bring us to a new way of life in which we love you and neighbor more fully, through the power of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

 (Time of silence for personal prayer and confession)

 Declaration of the Grace of God/Assurance of Pardon (Titus 3:4-6, NRSV, edited)

 Leader: Through the loving kindness of God our Savior, we are saved.

 **People: Not by our righteousness, but by God’s mercy.**

 Leader: The Holy Spirit has been poured on us through Jesus Christ.

 **People: We are forgiven!**

 **All: Thanks be to God!**

 Response 288: *Spirit of the Living God* (sing 2 times)

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

 The Passing of the Peace

 Word with Children Chris Kozich

 For children worshiping in the sanctuary, please stay with your families during the Word
 with Children. When our Covid rules change, we will welcome you back up front.

 Prayer for Illumination

 Scripture Lesson: Galatians 4:1-7

 Sermon: “Practicing the Presence”

 Saying What We Believe/Affirmation of Faith (unison)
 from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (11.4)

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.**

 Hymn 291: *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* (verses 1, 2)

Refrain:

**Spirit, spirit of gentleness,**

**Blow through the wilderness, calling and free.**

**Spirit, spirit of restlessness,**

**Stir me from placidness,**

**Wind, wind on the sea.**

**You moved on the waters; you called to the deep;**

**Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;**

**And over the eons you called to each thing,**

**“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.”**

Refrain

**You swept through the desert; you stung with the sand;**

**And you goaded your people with a law and a land.**

**When they were confounded with idols and lies,**

**Then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.**

Refrain

 Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

 Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

 **People**: **hear our prayers.**

**The Lord’s Prayer:**

**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.**

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

 Offertory: *Lord, Reign in Me* Brenton Brown

 \**Doxology* Hymnal #606

**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 Thanksgiving and Dedication

 Hymn: *Spirit Song*  (verse 1)

**Oh let the Son of God enfold you
With His Spirit and His love;
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
Oh let Him have those things that hold you
And His Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

[Chorus]
Jesus, oh Jesus
Come and fill Your lambs;
Jesus, oh Jesus
Come and fill Your lambs.**

 Charge and Benediction (2 Timothy 1:14)

 Leader: Guard the good treasure entrusted to you.
 **People: We will, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.**

 Leader: Now go and serve the Lord,
 **People: For we are blessed to be a blessing!**

 Postlude: *Amazing Grace*

**Participants and Technical Crew**

Rev. Wendy Boden

Liturgists: Blair Nelson, Terry Kline

Acolyte: Abigail Archbold

Musicians: Karen, Tim, Eleanor, and Lucy Archbold; Sean Salins

Worship Associate: David Kozich

Tech support: Ron Birchall, Steve Henkels, Chris Kozich

Flowers today are given by Lynn Ferino in honor of her granddaughter, Tatem’s, confirmation.

If you are present for worship, following the service you are invited by the deacons to gather for **in-person fellowship** of beverages and conversation out in front of the building. Please wait until you are outside to visit.

If you are online, join us for **Zoom fellowship** at 10:30 a.m. following the worship service.
Lynn Ferino is hosting the fellowship in May. Join Zoom gathering:
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7762411838?pwd=UWNIeFUrOVMrTFBFU25ScGRUWFAxQT09>
(Meeting ID: 776 241 1838 Passcode: 2e0tYT Lynn says clicking the link should be all you need.)

You are invited to join us on Facebook ([https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/](https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)), where we have a live sharing of “**Heart to Heart**” Tuesday-Friday at 4:16 p.m.

Even though we have returned to in-person worship, we will also continue to be live on **Sunday morning for worship** at 9:30 a.m. (slideshow beginning at 9:15)
at <https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/>
*If for any reason the feed falters, rest assured that a recording will be posted to Facebook and You Tube as soon as possible.*

You can also find links to recordings of the weekday sessions, special services, and Sunday worship posted on our web site: <https://www.southminsterpc.org/worship-videos> or by going to our YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPgWICngOvkmR1OXgCG_wiA/videos>

**Sunday Morning Adult Ed. Bible Study:** Join us for our discussion of 2 Peter this Sunday from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. via this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82920574961?pwd=dEwxU2NhaFM5VWhPSzBtYkZvUld2dz09>
Meeting ID: 829 2057 4961 Passcode: 537355

**Slideshows help us feel connected! Please help us.**
June 20 is Father’s Day. Please send photos of fathers and other men you love to Sue Knisely (sueknisely@gmail.com) before Thursday evening, June 17.
On June 27 we will feature Southminster folks having summer fun. (We welcome vintage or throwback photos, too.) Send those to Chris Kozich (kintonck@gmail.com) by Thursday evening, June 24.
If you have the magic skill of PowerPoint please connect with
 Wendy@southminsterpc.org.

**Notes from Blair Nelson:**
**Youth**:  No event this weekend—enjoy that Memorial Day hot dog with your family! Remember **Rummage Sale** is the following weekend. We need everyone at church at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 5. Also, **Mission Team**, our commissioning is on June 6, so be sure to be in church (and we have the sale afterward) wearing one of your Mission Trip/Workcamp T-shirts.

**Rummage Sale Details**:  Sounds of joy ring through the land at the much-anticipated return of Southminster’s annual Rummage Sale. And it is coming next weekend: Saturday, June 5, (8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) and Sunday, June 6, (after worship to 2:00 p.m.). If the weather is bad, the sale will be the following weekend. Of course, it cannot happen without your help! First, we need donations of items to sell:
 - Please **price all donation except clothes and books** (we have set prices for those). Price stickers are on the name-tap counter need the main entrance or use masking tape, if that’s easier.
 - **Please do not donate electronics**! (They don’t sell, and we have to pay to recycle them.)
 - **Bring your donations** to Fellowship Hall beginning after worship today right up to sale time on Saturday. Contact Blair at 630-917-6035, for access to the building or help transporting items.
 - Also, we could use some **help setting up**, beginning at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday. So, if you have a strong back, join us for the sweat!
 - **Shop**! Come browse, buy, and **get your car washed** for a free-will donation.
Remember that all this is in support of our Youth Mission Team, heading to Mission, S.D., for a week of workcamp, June 19-26.

 **Notes from the Mission Ministry: Last chance to participate!
*Gifts Grow ends tomorrow***
For just four weeks in May, you have an opportunity to give a donation to your favorite Southminster-sponsored mission organization and have your mission dollars matched. Please take advantage of this opportunity to help others.

Write a check to Southminster Presbyterian Church and write on the memo line or an accompanying note the name(s) of the mission(s) you wish to support and the amount donated to each mission.

Southminster-supported mission include:

Bridge Communities People’s Resource Center

Cuba Sister Church Ministry Rebuilding Together Aurora

DuPage PADS Walk-In Ministry

Metropolitan Family Services World Relief

 (formerly Family Shelter Service) Youth Mission Trip

When you donate a gift of $15 to any one of these missions, Southminster will contribute an additional gift of $15 to the same mission; a $50 gift is matched with $50, and so on. Please take advantage of this opportunity to watch your Mission “Gifts Grow.”

Program restrictions:

**Gifts must be received by May 31, 2021**

You must designate your gift to a mission already supported by Southminster Church.

If we receive more than $5,000 in total gifts, we will have to adjust the percentage matched.

Only gifts up to $300 per family will be matched.

Only $1,000 will be matched to any one mission.

The Mission Ministry reserves the right to designate use within a given fund.

March Mission Madness will not be doubled.

 Watch for the “Gifts Grow” display that will be on our church website. It is amazing what your gifts can do!

 **Jubilee Bucks** (from Bobbi Frey):So far this year Jubilee Bucks has earned $783.07 in “free money” for Southminster! Looking ahead, our dates to order in June and July will be June 6 and 20, and July 11.

**Donations for PRC (People’s Resource Center)** (also from Bobbi Frey):
For 14 months we have made weekly trips to PRC with trunks filled with food, toiletries, and household supplies. These items have been greatly appreciated! The donation box stays out 24/7 at 2S033 Taylor Rd., GE.

**Care Notes:**“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” -Philippians 4:6
Generally, we share our prayer requests at worship services on blue slips, but since we are not all meeting together, we’re missing our blue slips. We are still collecting prayer requests! Please leave a message on our answering machine at 630-469-9149.

***Friends, with our new communication style the eNotes Joys and Concerns (sent most Wednesdays) will include new information and members’ ongoing concerns. For the eNotes/Dialog (sent on the first Wednesday of the month) and Sunday bulletins our list will be full and complete.*

Joys and Concerns**
  - the Messmore family on the death of April’s father, Barry James, on Tuesday night
 - Dave Zink, who is hospitalized at CDH
 - Pat Wiedner, recovering from surgery and doing well
 - beloved pets that are ill, and the people who love them: Zoe Zapel’s dog has been hospitalized with heat stroke; Becky Doppelt’s dog is beginning cancer treatments.
 - Judith, a friend of the Ellsworths, who has continuing health and financial issues
 - There have been 231 shootings of multiple people in the United States in the first 146 days of 2021, killing 260 people and injuring 864, including the 9 people killed in San Jose this week.
 - those affected by the eruption of the volcano in Congo
  - Congratulations to our graduates: Daniel Kozich, the University of Illinois, and Billy Petersen, Texas Christian University!
  - Linda Wolf Jeziorski, healing for her sprained ankle
  - ongoing concerns for the Rogers and the water damage done to their home
  - prayers for Colombia, Haiti, Myanmar, and India
  - We are grateful for what appears to be a pause to the hostilities in the Holy Land. We continue to pray for peace.
**We pray for those who mourn:**
 - Betsy and Floyd and family on the death of Jess Wood, wife of Betsy’s nephew, James **We pray for all who are infected with and/or affected by COVID:**
 - We rejoice that the Rogers were able to get their first shots yesterday.
  - Donna Marton’s brother, Richard, in a nursing home recovering from Covid
  - Mary, who is on a ventilator due to Covid. Mary is in a high-risk category.
  - Prayers for parents, guardians, teachers, students, and all who are trying to navigate school and sports during this pandemic, and all those who are still feeling vulnerable.
  - those facing unforeseen consequences from the pandemic
**We pray for all who are dealing with mental or physical health challenges.**
  - prayers for Linda Meester, who is at Rush Copley Hospital with multiple issues.
  - Grace is recovering from surgery on her broken hip. She is recovering at Oak Brook Care: Grace Van Beveren, c/o Oak Brook Care, 2013 Midwest Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523-1312.
  - Bill Curry is also at Oak Brook Care. In order to visit, you must call the day before to make arrangements.
  - Betsy Rogers, health concerns
  - people struggling with difficult family concerns
 - Tom Freeman, a friend of Lanny’s
  - Pat Wiedner’s brother, Terry, recovering in a nursing facility
**We pray for all who are affected by cancer:**
  - Dan Bohi
  - Haley Jablonski
  - Betsy’s friend, Heidi
  - We rejoice for Lanny’s friend, Tony Bednarz, who got a super report on his bone marrow biopsy. We continue to pray for his good health.
  - Lisa B undergoing treatment for Stage 4 colon cancer that has metastasized to her lungs
  - Deshaun, who has thyroid cancer. She is the sister of Wendy’s friend, Tiffany.
  - Devin Leftwich, who has cancer
  - Kurt Parent and his wife, Marla. Kurt is recovering from extensive surgery for esophageal cancer. He is doing well and is trying to gain weight.
  - the Bohis’ friend, Teri, who is recovering and doing well from her breast cancer surgery
  - Sandy Lopata’s friend, Rebecca Moeckler, who has pancreatic cancer and is struggling with chemo **We pray for those who are far from home:**
  - for the reunion of children and parents at the U.S.-Mexican border
**We continue to pray for our friends and family in the health fields**:
**Nurses:**Andee Benson and Nikki Mendoza, both daughters of Pete and Pam Petersen
Rachel Kralicek: Heather’s daughter
Lindsey Ellinghausen: granddaughter of Ellinghausens
Sara Russell Humes: Lanny’s daughter
Samantha Linde, granddaughter of Ralph and Caroline, Critical Care/ICU nurse
Kaitlyn Harper: niece of the Smiths, once again caring for COVID patients
**Doctors:**Nathan and Erin Allen (Allens’ son and daughter in law)
Francine Long (a longtime friend of our church community)
Otis Miller and Jon Thomas (Janey Sarther’s brother and brother in law)
Jessica McIntyre (a friend of our church community)
Will Perkinson (member and on call)
Claudia Adja (Affiliate member in Ghana)
**Other health workers:**Health Department workers
Sammie Dearing: phlebotomy technician (Birchalls’ granddaughter)
David Zoby: Radiologist (Wendy’s step brother)
Laura P. (neighbor of Barb D.), hospital phlebotomist

**Food Pantries**: Glen Ellyn Food Pantry, People’s Resource Center, Lakeview Food Pantry, and our members Bobbi Frey and Anna Nelson, who work with them

**A Special Request for Prayer**We are all feeling the varied pressures of Covid. Some have been vaccinated, some have not. There are frustrations around vaccinations. There is concern about new variations of the virus. There are more than health concerns; there are economic, emotional, and spiritual concerns as well throughout our nation and the world. There is also understandable unrest in our nation around the world issues of race, justice, and disparities of many kinds. We remember in prayer all those who have been affected by our country’s economic slowdown, especially those who have lost their jobs or have faced greatly reduced income. Hold the world in your hands and offer the world to God as we trust in God’s grace and mercy.

**Caring for you!**Our **Congregational Care Committee** is ready to assist in time of need. If you need assistance from the Congregational Care Ministry or Helping Hands during May, call Donna Marton (630-790-3574). In June, call Lois Stevenson (630-858-9315). You may **call Pastor Wendy Boden** on her cell or home phone (if she has shared the numbers with you) or leave a message for her at the church office: 630-469-9149. Email Wendy at wendy@southminsterpc.org. (Please note that she can only read email in the office, and she’s only in her office a short time every day, at least while the church is not open for worship. You may also **call your deacon** if you need help from the church.

Remember that we love God and neighbor. Our address is 680 South Park Blvd., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137 if you would like to set up an online account with your bank or mail in your pledge. Grace and peace to you!

***Prayer requests***