**Bearing Fruit – June 6, 2021**

**Youth Mission Team and More**

This week Southminster has been bursting with activity!

First, with great joy we congratulate Meredith Derbyshire and Will Perkinson who were married in our sanctuary on Saturday afternoon. It was a very small gathering, family only, the Worship Arts team spiffed up the place, wishing to make our worship space as lovely as possible. We love you two and support you with our prayers and good wishes as you take this next step in your life, Mr. & Mrs. Perkinson.

This week our Fellowship Hall received your donations toward the Youth Rummage Sale. Thank you very much. It’s amazing what we have hidden in our attics, basements, and garages. The rummage sale continues to 2:00 today. There is also a car wash. Stay after worship or drive on by if you’re worshipping online.

The Youth Rummage Sale/Car Wash supports Southminster’s Youth Mission Team 2021, who are leaving for Mission, South Dakota, on June 19 for a week of workcamp. They will be meeting other youth groups from across the nation, worshipping, studying, and encountering God, and serving the Lakota people. The work part is performing home repair and painting for folks who need the help, mostly the elderly and children. Please pray for safety in travel, rich fellowship, and spiritually enriching moments. This trip often is the most spiritually impactful time in the year for our youth. Pray also for the Lakota people whom our youth will be serving, that they might see Christ in our team’s hearts, smiles, and service.

Care to see the mission team off on Saturday, June 19? Watch eNotes for specifics. The team will be returning late on June 26. The team: Sam Falkman, Nalani Johnson, Rachel Johnston, Blair Nelson, Kevin Schmidt, Kayla Schmidt, Parin Schmidt, Marta Sundquist, Ryan Sundquist, David Vanderford, and Sara Vanderford. Today they are being commissioned during our worship service.

Also today we welcome Cindy Trowbridge as our accompanist and Lynn Ferino and Paul Jeziorski as our song leaders.

Here is Cindy’s professional bio:

**Cynthia Trowbridge (Piano)**performs as a collaborative pianist in recitals and competitions throughout the Chicago area. A member of the piano faculty at the College of DuPage, she teaches private and class piano and serves as staff accompanist. Cindy also does extensive work as an accompanist for vocal and instrumental studios and recitals at Wheaton College. She is the principal pianist for Credo Flute summer festival and has been the pianist for DuPage Opera Theater and music director for Wheaton College’s Opera Music Theater program.
 Ms. Trowbridge holds a Master of Music from Indiana University, where she was a student of Menahem Pressler, and a Bachelor of Music from DePauw University. She studied at the Austro-American Institute in Vienna, Austria, and has performed in Austria and England.

We will be honored to have Cindy with us again on July 25.

We all miss singing in worship, but we are very fortunate to have our own Lynn Ferino and Paul Jeziorski leading us in worship by singing the hymns on our behalf. Lynn is a member of the Worship Arts Ministry and moderator of the Board of Deacons. Paul is a deacon, as well, and has been a very dedicated member of the Worship and Music Ministry. Because of Paul’s efforts we have had a virtual choir sharing once a month. He and his wife, Linda, have also offered their talents in worship as soloists and as a duo and are dedicated members of the Worship and Music Ministry. All three of them are long-time choir members.

If you have music to share, make sure you contact either Pastor Wendy Boden or our Music Director Tom Anderson. (Pastor Wendy: 630-917-6033 or wendy@southminsterpc.org; Tom Anderson: 651-246-5029 or tomanderson101@gmail.com)

Through all of this we bear the fruit of God’s love.