**Southminster Presbyterian Church**

**17th Sunday after Pentecost  
World Communion Sunday**

**October 2, 2022**

**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.

For those who are in the sanctuary, please put your phone in airplane mode.

Today we are having communion. Those at home may want to gather the elements (“bread” and “wine” or whatever you have) before the service begins.

Gathering Music: *We Are One in Christ Jesus;* *O Look and Wonder; Come to the Table;* *We Will Walk with God; We Are Marching in the Light of God*

Our PowerPoint today is “World Communion Sunday.”

Welcome, Announcements, and Moment for Mission

Improvisational Prelude

Lighting the Candles (Romans 5:5)

**God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit.**

Call to Worship

Leader: We are invited to a joyful feast, hosted by Jesus Christ.

**People: Come home, and find the bread of life.**

Leader: Come and find a fountain of grace.

**People: All who are lost will find safety here.**

Leader: All who are lonely will find a friend here.

**People: All who are broken will find healing here.**

Leader: All who have been wandering will find a home at the Lord’s Table.

**All: Let us worship God! You are welcome here!**

Hymn 515: *I Come with Joy* (all 5 verses)

Prayer of Confession: (unison) (from *The* *Presbyterian Book of Common Worship*)

**God of Grace, we grieve that the church which shares one Spirit, one faith, one hope, and one calling has become a broken communion in a broken world. The one body spans all time, place, race, and language, but in our fear, we have fled from and fought one another, and in our pride we have mistaken our part for the whole. Forgive our sins as we commit ourselves to seeking and showing the unity of the body of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

(Time of silence for personal prayer and confession)

Declaration of the Grace of God/Assurance of Pardon (Psalm 103:8-12)

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger,   
 abounding in love.

**People: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,**

Leader: So great is his love for those who fear him;

**People: As far as the east is from the west,**  **so far has he removed our transgressions from us.**

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Response 582: *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,**

**And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,**

**And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

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The Passing of the Peace

Word with Children Pastor Wendy

Children worshiping in the sanctuary, please come forward.

*Jesus Loves Me*

**Jesus loves me! This I know,  
For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong.  
They are weak, but he is strong.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

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Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 Pew Bible, p. 172 (N.T.)

Exodus 14:21-29 Pew Bible, p. 61 (O.T.)

Sermon: “All at Sea”

Saying What We Believe/Affirmation of Faith (unison)   
 *The Apostles’ Creed* [Ecumenical]

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven   
and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who   
was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right   
hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living   
and the dead.**

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

Hymn 503: *Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation*  (all 3 verses)

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

Offertory Anthem:  *All Who Hunger*  Sylvia Dunstan/Bob Moore

\**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 Dedication

Service of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

[We extend an invitation to the Lord’s Supper to all who have been baptized. You do   
 not need to be a member of this congregation or a Presbyterian to share in this meal.   
 We remember that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a   
 privilege given to believers who come in faith, repentance, and love.]

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People**: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The minister gives thanks…*

The congregation responds by singing together:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heav’n and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

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*The minister continues the Thanksgiving…*

**According to Christ’s commandment**

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory.**

*The minister continues with Intercessions for the Church and the World  
and Prayers of the People…*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

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

Our 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.**

Words of Institution

Communion

Communion Music: *Bread of Life* David Glenn

*The music during communion gives us time to reflect on God's love and grace found   
 in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. When the music is finished, our pastor will invite   
 everyone to partake by saying, “Take, eat, and drink, all of you.”*

Prayer after Communion

Hymn 526: *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* (all 3 verses)

Charge and Benediction

Leader: Now go and serve the Lord,

**All: For we are blessed to be a blessing!  
 Alleluia, amen!**

Postlude

**Participants and Technical Crew**

Rev. Wendy Boden

Liturgist: Sarah Allen

Deacon Greeter/Fellowship: Nick Kaskovich

Musicians: Tom Anderson, Southminster Choir

Worship Associate: David Kozich

Tech support: Chris Kozich, Alec Parks

The flowers today are given by Lynn Ferino for her son, Jeff’s, birthday.

If you are present for worship, following the service and the meeting, you are invited by the deacons to gather for **in-person fellowship** in the narthex. Coffee and bottled beverages will be served; masks and social distancing are at your discretion.

If you are online, we’re glad to have you! Note that we no longer offer Zoom fellowship.  
 **Sunday Morning Adult Ed. Bible Study, 11:15 a.m.:** Join us by clicking this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82920574961?pwd=dEwxU2NhaFM5VWhPSzBtYkZvUld2dz09>  
Meeting ID: 829 2057 4961 Passcode: 537355If you’re already at church, join Blair with his computer in the parlor.  
  
You are invited to join us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/>), where we have a live sharing of “**Heart to Heart**” with Pastor Wendy Boden at 4:20 p.m. most weeks Tuesday through Friday.   
  
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>

**PowerPoint/slideshows help us feel connected!**PowerPoint/slideshows help us prepare for worship, connect with one another, and make sure that our at-home people get both sound and sight. No photos are needed for the PowerPoints for the next few weeks but watch for upcoming requests.

**We are requesting** **photos for All Saints Sunday, November 6**. Scroll down for the announcement about All Saints.

**Notes from Blair Nelson:**

**Adult Education**: Please join us at 11:15 a.m. in the Parlor or online via the Zoom link below as we continue our study of Matthew’s Gospel:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82920574961?pwd=dEwxU2NhaFM5VWhPSzBtYkZvUld2dz09>  
Meeting ID: 829 2057 4961 Passcode: 537355  
  
**Youth**:  Pizza and Games today, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Bring your smiling face (and the rest of you), a friend, $5 for the meal, and an inquiring mind (for the Deep Thoughts).  
  
  
**All women invited: First Wednesday Women’s Breakfasts**! Our next informal women’s breakfast will be held at Danby’s Station at 8:30 a.m. next Wednesday, October 5. Call or email Gretchen Fleming—(630)858-9377 or [gretchen\_fleming@yahoo.com](mailto:gretchen_fleming@yahoo.com))—if you need further information.

**Fall Clean-Up Day!**  
**Save the date: Saturday, October 15, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**We’ll have a formidable list of outside and inside projects waiting for volunteers. Any amount of time you can help, even if it is just an hour or 2 will be appreciated. The Property Ministry will provide snacks and drinks (coffee & water). Rain date is Saturday, October 22.  
  
**Notes from Christian Ed.: Trunk or Treat!**  
Have you ever been “Trunk or Treating”? It’s like Trick or Treating except instead of kids coming to your door for treats, they come to your car trunk.   
  
The Christian Ed. Ministry is hosting a Trunk or Treat event in our parking lot on Sunday, October 30, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. We would like you to participate – you can decorate your car as much or as little as you like and pass out treats to the kids as they come to “trunk or treat.” This is open to our church family and to the public. Bring your friends and neighbors. In case of rain, we’ll be in Fellowship Hall.  
  
Let Blair Baldwin or Deb Bohi know if you’ll be joining the fun by hosting a trunk.  
  
  
**Looking Ahead: All Saints Sunday, November 6, 2022**We will celebrate All Saints Day on Sunday, November 6. Our PowerPoint/slideshow that day will include photos of people who have died since our last All Saints Day service (November 7, 2021). You are invited to send David Kozich a photo for that PowerPoint; the picture should have the person’s name, their date of death, your name, and their relationship to you. The photo deadline is October 27. Please be timely because putting names and dates on pictures is time intensive. (If their service was held here and included a PowerPoint, then we already have their photo.) David’s email is [kozichd1@gmail.com](mailto:kozichd1@gmail.com)   
  
During our Prayers of the People on All Saints Sunday, we will pray for those who died during the past year (since All Saints Day 2021). If you have someone you would like to include, please send their name and their date of death to the office ([admin@southminsterpc.org](mailto:admin@southminsterpc.org)) by Tuesday, November 1.  
  
Please do not send either photos or names/dates to the pastor.  
  
Pastor Wendy issued this invitation: Consider joining me at the **Glen Ellyn Interfaith Prayer Breakfast** on Wednesday, October 26, from 7:00-9:00 a.m. at the Abbington (Rt. 53 and Butterfield Road). The featured speaker will be April Redzic, Executive Director of PADS. I am sponsoring a table at the Prayer Breakfast and looking forward to having Southminster members join me. Please let me know no later than October 15 if you are interested in attending.  
  
  
**Jubilee Bucks** (from Bobbi Frey): **Order today, October 2**!  
Today is your next opportunity to order Jubilee Bucks. Take advantage of ordering cards to use to pay for groceries and household supplies - plus give Southminster “free” money. Email [bobbifrey@aol.com](mailto:bobbifrey@aol.com) by 9:00 Sunday night with your order. Cards will be delivered to you (usually Tuesday) and payment can be made at that time. Next order date will be October 23.  
If you’re not sure what cards are available, be sure to pick up an order form at church (on the shelf in the hallway opposite the church office); a copy of the form is also emailed every Friday along with the Sunday worship bulletin. **Donations for PRC (People’s Resource Center)** (also from Bobbi Frey):   
Every Monday we deliver another trunk full of food, personal care items, and cleaning supplies. All donations are so very much appreciated! A greater number of families are in need of food. The average number of families using PRC has grown to over 450 per week, and PRC projects the number will rise as we approach Christmas. Donations can be left in the front entry at church or on the Freys’ front porch – no contribution is too small.  
 **Care Notes:**“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” -Philippians 4:6   
Even though we aren’t all together for worship, we are still collecting prayer requests! Please email or leave a message on our answering machine at 630-469-9149 if you won’t be present to fill out a prayer request slip.  
  
***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 flowers today** are from Lynn Ferino for the birthday of her son, Jeff.  
**We celebrate joys**:  
 - The 51st wedding anniversary of Jim and Francine Long on September 25  
  - the wedding to be held at Southminster today at 2:00 p.m. uniting Andy Russell and Nicole Rodosky   
 - a super fun hot dog fellowship last Sunday!  
**We pray for the whole world and our nation**.  
  - All those people and places in the path of Hurricane Ian: Cuba, where the entire island was without power; Rita Zapel and her family, in Florida for her brother’s surgery but in the path of the storm. (They took precautions… and the surgery has been postponed.); Bob and Rose Audette, the Vanderfords, Doug and Cindy Learned, and all the others we know in Florida. So far, we have heard all are safe.  
  - We pray for an end to gun violence in our nation.  
  - Puerto Rico, badly damaged by Hurricane Fiona   
  - flooding in many parts of the world; record heat and drought in others   
  - Ukraine, the Holy Land, and Pakistan  
 - the people of Iran as they fight for civil rights  
**We pray for those who mourn. Please lift up grieving families and friends:”**  - Former member John Wallace died September 1. Please remember Frasia and family and John’s many friends as they mourn him. A memorial service will be held Sunday, October 9, at 1:00 p.m. at Wildwood Presbyterian Church, 18630 West Old Gages Lake Road, Grayslake, IL 60030. View John’s obituary [here](https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/john-wallace-obituary?id=36536330); this includes memorial donation links as well as links for viewing the service live or recorded.  
  - the family and friends of Allie McConville, a 2016 graduate of Glenbard South. We have no details at this time about a service.   
  - Pastor Abel (former pastor of our sister church in Cuba) and his family on the death of his mother, Magdalena  
**We lift up those who are affected by cancer, as well as their support systems**.   
  - Please also remember Rod Boehmer, Dan Bohi, Tammy Grey, Shelayne Larson, Jan Mazur, Meagan Nielson, Kurt Parent, Jim Rundquist, Connie Vernon, Beverly Webb, and others we name in our hearts.  
 - Karin Formento as we rejoice with her family because she now has a clear bill of health.  
**We pray for all who are infected with and/or affected by COVID**.  
**We pray for all who are dealing with mental or physical health challenges**.   
 - We pray for Vicki, who is undergoing open heart surgery  
  - Adam Ferguson (Paul Anderson’s nephew) lost a foot in a motorcycle accident. Please pray for healing and ability to adjust to life as it comes.  
  - Heidi Shierry, dealing with continuing health concerns, and Steve, as he supports and cares for her  
  - continued prayers for healing for Victor King and Blair  
  - those who have chronic or progressive illnesses  
  - people receiving new treatments  
  - people giving up addictions  
  - people struggling with difficult family concerns  
  - prayers for personal peace  
  - the many people who struggle with depression  
**We pray for those who are far from home**.  
**We continue to pray for our friends and family who work in the health fields**: nurses, doctors, and all other health care workers.  
**Food Pantries**: Glen Ellyn Food Pantry, People’s Resource Center, Lakeview Food Pantry (which now has been renamed Nourishing Hope), Glen Ellyn Food Pantry, and our members who serve them  
**Local government bodies/boards**: Prayers for the DuPage County Board, the Village of Glen Ellyn Board, the Village of Glen Ellyn Task Force on Affordable Housing, the boards of the local school districts: 41, 44, 87, 89, 200, COD, and our library boards

**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) in October, call Barb Zink (630-668-2387). 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](mailto:wendy@southminsterpc.org). (Please note that she can only read email when she is in the office.) You may also call your deacon if you need help from the church.

**Office Schedule:** Barb’s regular schedule is to be in the office Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays full days (approx. 8:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m.) while her son attends his day program full time on those days. Mondays and Wednesdays she works from home.

Grace and peace to you! 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. Online giving through Vanco is also now an option – see the June Dialog for details or contact Ron Birchall. ***(Note that when signing up at Vanco, the correct church phone number to enter is 630-469-9149.)***

**Dates to remember this week:**     
**Sunday, October 2  
World Communion Sunday; Dedication of Peace and Global Witness Offering  
Order Jubilee Bucks gift cards** by emailing [bobbifrey@aol.com](mailto:bobbifrey@aol.com) before 9:00 p.m. **Worship** at 9:30 a.m. in person and also live on Facebook  
 **In-person Fellowship** with Breads of the World  
 **Adult Ed. Bible Study** at 11:15 a.m. via Zoom or by joining Blair at his computer in the Parlor/Library  
 **Wedding**: Andy Russell and Nicole Rodosky, 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary  **Youth: Pizza & Games** from 4:00-6:00 p.m. downstairs **Sunday afternoon through Monday – Pastor Wendy Boden will be at a Presbytery retreat  
Tuesday-Friday – Pastor Wendy’s Heart to Heart** on Facebook live at 4:20 p.m.   
**Tuesday, October 4**  
 **Mission Ministry** meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor/Library  
 A.A. meets at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall  
**Wednesday, October 5**  
 **Women’s Breakfast** at 8:30 a.m. at Danby’s Station  
 **October eNotes/Dialog goes out**  
**Thursday, October 6  
 Pastor Wendy will attend a Glen Ellyn Religious Leaders lunch as noon  
Friday, October 7** A.A. meets at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall  
**Next** **Sunday, October 9** **Worship** at 9:30 a.m. in person and also live on Facebook  
 **In-person Fellowship** in the Narthex following worship  
 **Nominating** will meet at 11:00 a.m. in the pastor’s office   
 **Adult Ed. Bible Study** at 11:15 a.m. via Zoom or by joining Blair at his computer in the Parlor/Library  
 **Youth: Forest Preserve Hike** from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Watch for details from Blair.

**Bearing Fruit – October 2, 2022**

**World Communion Sunday**  
  
Today is a return to a more demonstrative version of community… that is, putting the community in communion. Because of the pandemic we have had to be flexible. We have encouraged people at home to gather what they have on hand to represent Bread and Fruit of the Vine. We have also delivered communion elements through our deacons. In our sanctuary we have offered on a small table “Communicables”-prepackaged communion elements as a step toward making communion hygienic. These will continue to be offered for those who want them. Today we invite you to come forward to receive the elements in an expression of Christian Community. Our usher will invite you by row, beginning in the back, so that you may come forward and receive a piece of bread (gf) and a cup from the fruit of the vine (grape juice). Please do what is most comfortable for you.  
  
The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday, which celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. Paul tells us that we are to “discern the body” when we partake of Holy Communion, mindful that we note our relationship to all our brothers and sisters in Christ in the celebration. (1 Cor. 11:21). Therefore, World Communion Sunday is also a time when we receive the annual [Peace and Global Witness Offering](http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/peace-global.html) as a way of continuing the ancient Christian practice of sharing what we have with sisters and brothers. World Communion Sunday is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. The first celebration occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA, in 1933 where Dr. Hugh Thompson Kerr served as pastor.  
  
Dr. Kerr first conceived the notion of World Communion Sunday (originally called World Wide Communion Sunday) during his year as moderator of the General Assembly (1930). Dr. Kerr’s younger son, the Rev. Dr. Donald Craig Kerr, who was sixteen in 1933, relates it was an attempt to bring churches together in a service of Christian unity—in which everyone might receive both inspiration and information, and above all, to know how important the Church of Jesus Christ is, and how each congregation is interconnected one with another.   
  
The concept spread very slowly at the [start](https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/special-days-and-emphases/world-communion-sunday/). People did not give it a lot of thought. It was during the Second World War that the spirit caught hold, because we were trying to hold the world together. World Wide Communion symbolized the effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense. It emphasized that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
  
Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936. Churches in other denominations were invited to celebrate with us from the beginning, but it wasn’t until 1940 when the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches (a predecessor body of the National Council of Churches) promoted extending the celebration to a number of churches around the world that the practice became widespread. Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the world, demonstrating that the church founded on Jesus Christ peacefully shares God-given goods in a world increasingly destabilized by globalization and global market economies based on greed.  
 (Office of Theology and Worship PCUSA)