**Southminster Presbyterian Church**

**19th Sunday after Pentecost**

**October 16, 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.

 Gathering Music: *God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength;*  *Deep in the Shadows of the Past; Be Thou My Vision;
 Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds; Great Day!*

Our PowerPoint today is “Stewardship and Fellowship.”

 Welcome, Announcements, and Moment for Stewardship

  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 (Psalm 117, The Voice)

 Leader: Praise the Eternal, all nations!

 **People: Raise your voices, all people.**

 Leader: For His unfailing love is great,

 **People: God’s faithful promises know no end.**

 **All:** **Praise the Eternal!**

 Hymn:  *We Fall Down* (sing twice)

 This hymn is on the last page of the bulletin.

 Hymn 519: *You Are My All in All*

 Prayer of Confession: (unison)

**Faithful God, there have been moments when we have been unfaithful to you; that was not our intention. We have forgotten you, and we have not seen you in the eyes of a stranger. We have held our own preferences as if they were gospel rather than opinion. Forgive us, and through your Holy Spirit, renew us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is our Lord and Savior. 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 Blair Baldwin

 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: Joshua 1:9; 5:13-15 Pew Bible, p. 194, 197 (O.T.)

 Joshua 24:14-15 Pew Bible, p. 216 (O.T.)

 Sermon: “We all fall down…”

15 Saying What We Believe/Affirmation of Faith (unison)  (Romans 12:1-2)

**I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

 Hymn 792: *There Is a Balm in Gilead* (all 3 verses)

 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

[The offering plate is at the back of the sanctuary. Please leave your gift or pledge
in the plate on your way into or out of worship.]

 Offertory: *Be Thou My Vision*

 \**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.**

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 Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

 Hymn 65: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* (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**

Pastor Wendy Boden
Liturgist: Blair Nelson
Deacon Greeter/Fellowship: Linda Ellinghausen
Musicians: Tom Anderson, Lynn Ferino, Southminster Choir
Word with Children: Blair Baldwin
Worship Associate: David Kozich
Tech support: Ron Birchall, Chris Kozich

Flowers today are from Julie Storey celebrating Dana’s and Eric’s birthdays.

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. You’re invited to share your photos for these dates:
**October 23 and 30**: “**Stewardship Begins at Home**” – Send photos of your front door,
 taken in any season (maybe decorated?). You might include yourself, your family,
 and/or your pets, if you like. Send photos to David Kozich at kozichd1@gmail.com
 by this Thursday, October 20.

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

**October is stewardship month at Southminster.** We are reflecting on the plans that God has for us here at Southminster, and how we can be part of those plans. If you have not already done so, you are encouraged to make a financial pledge towards the work of Southminster in 2023, if you are able to do so. Pledge cards have been mailed and are also available at Southminster. You are welcome to contact Moderator of Stewardship Chris Kozich directly to communicate or discuss your pledge. Call Southminster for Chris's phone number if you don’t have it or send Chris an email at kintonck@gmail.com.

**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 study the words of the prophet Zechariah:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82920574961?pwd=dEwxU2NhaFM5VWhPSzBtYkZvUld2dz09>
Meeting ID: 829 2057 4961 Passcode: 537355

**Youth:** We helped with the Clean-Up yesterday. Next Sunday: **Pizza & Games** from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Be sure to let Blair know if you are coming.
We’ve also got **Sleep Out Saturday** coming up, November 5-6! It’s your chance to sleep outdoors in a cardboard box… and to learn about homelessness and about how organizations like Bridge Communities work to help people who have been homeless get a fresh start. Blair will be talking more about this but start making your plans now.

**Elders, moderators, and staff, please remember the Session meeting this Tuesday, October 18, at 7:30 p.m. Have you sent in your report/motions for the docket?**

**Presbyterian Readers** will meet at 7:00 p.m. this Wednesday, October 19, via Zoom. Anyone who likes to read and enjoys discussing books is invited! October’s book is *The Other Einstein: A Novel* by Marie Benedict—“A window into a brilliant, fascinating woman whose light was lost in Einstein's enormous shadow. This novel resurrects Einstein's wife, a brilliant physicist in her own right, whose contribution to the special theory of relativity is hotly debated. Was she simply Einstein’s sounding board, an assistant performing complex mathematical equations, or did she contribute something more?”

We will be choosing a Christmas/holiday-themed book for the November meeting, so please bring suggestions. The Readers will NOT meet in December.

To join the book discussion, use the following link at 7:00 p.m. on October 19:
[Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86861724721?pwd=TE0yYXZGZUtUNkdvYWh4UEhaTFc0dz09) Meeting ID: 868 6172 4721 Passcode: 600865

**Women’s Circle To Visit Re:New in Glen Ellyn:** Women’s Circle will meet this Friday, October 21, at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor. ALL women are invited to attend. We will have a brief business meeting and refreshments, then we will carpool to downtown Glen Ellyn for a tour of the Re:New store on Main Street. Re:new Project is a faith-based non-profit providing dignified work for refugee women. Those interested will go on to A Toda Madre for lunch.

Pastor Wendy issued this invitation: Consider joining me at the **Glen Ellyn Interfaith Prayer Breakfast: “Together We Pray”** 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, President and CEO of DuPage PADS. I am looking forward to having Southminster members join me. If you haven’t already reserved your place at the Southminster table, tickets are $30 at the door.

**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.

Please let Blair Baldwin (BlairBaldwin@southminsterpc.org) or Deb Bohi (debbohi@gmail.com)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.

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) by Tuesday, November 1.

Please do not send either photos or names/dates to the pastor.

A note from Mission: Thank you all for your contributions to the **Peace and Global Witness Offering**. We raised $605 and $150 of that goes to our Cuba sister church.

**Sponsor a Sleeper in Support of Sleep Out Saturday**Every year on the first Saturday of November, Bridge Communities invites people throughout DuPage County to spend one night sleeping outdoors in tents, cars, or cardboard boxes. It’s a way to draw attention to homelessness and to raise money to get homeless people into homes of their own. Once again, you can support Sleep Out Saturday and Bridge Communities without sleeping outside: you can sponsor sleepers from Southminster’s youth group! The donation link will be coming – watch eNotes or coming Sunday bulletins. It is simple: you just choose the sleeper you wish to sponsor and make your donation online.

**A Community Note from Sinfonietta DuPage:**Join us for the start of the fall season! Sinfonietta DuPage offers an exceptional opportunity to play classical repertoire in a beautiful setting!

\* Expand your performance opportunities and/or renew your former experience

\* Perform with professional soloists from groups including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Lyric Opera

\* No audition required, no membership fees ($40 suggested donation per person is requested)

\* All strings are welcome, limited wind positions (student - adult)

\* Tuesday evening rehearsals at Peace Lutheran Church on Butterfield Road

Contact information: Dan D’Andrea: 630.322.9187 (voice only) or email scsdpd@aol.com

Like us on Facebook: @sinfoniettadupage <https://www.facebook.com/sinfoniettadupage/?ref=page_internal>

or contact Ann Anderson 630.664-2823 or email annpanderson@gmail.com

**Jubilee Bucks** (from Bobbi Frey):
The next opportunity to order Jubilee Bucks will be October 23 followed by November 13. This is a great way to prepay for groceries and household items and at the same time earn “free” money for Southminster. **Donations for PRC (People’s Resource Center)** (also from Bobbi Frey):
Another weekly trunkload of food, personal items, and cleaning products was delivered Monday to PRC. The number of clients keeps increasing and the need is great. 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 Julie Storey celebrating the birthdays of Dana and Eric.
**We celebrate joys**:
 - Last Sunday morning the Lindes asked prayers for their friend, George Mueller, who was running in the Chicago Marathon. He has run in all 43 marathons, one of only 3 people left still doing this. Caroline has since reported that George finished the race and is already planning for the next one!
**We pray for the whole world and our nation**.
  - All those people and places affected by natural disasters – hurricanes, flooding, drought
  - We pray for an end to gun violence in our nation.
  - 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:”**
 - family and friends of Diane Cassidy, who was the registrar at Glenbard South High School
  - the family and many friends of former member John Wallace, whose life was celebrated at a memorial service last Sunday
 - Two friends of the Bohi family who both passed away September 30. Let us support their families and friends in prayer: Deb Butler (a former member of Southminster) and Gloria Moore.
**We lift up those who are affected by cancer, as well as their support systems**.
 - Tracy Nelson, battling cancer and the very challenging side-effects of chemo
  - 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. We rejoice that Shelayne Larson has had a good report.
**We pray for all who are infected with and/or affected by COVID**.
 - Barb’s friends Bob and Jackie, recovering from Covid and pneumonia, in addition to both having other health complications
**We pray for all who are dealing with mental or physical health challenges**.
 - Kathy Davidson, having hip surgery this week
 - Rita Zapel’s brother, John, who has ongoing medical issues; scheduled (again) for surgery this week
  - We pray for Vicki, who is undergoing open heart surgery
  - Adam Ferguson (Paul Anderson’s nephew), who lost a foot in a motorcycle accident
  - Heidi Shierry, dealing with continuing health concerns, and Steve, as he supports and cares for her
  - 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. (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:**
**October 16** **Worship** at 9:30 a.m. in person and also live on Facebook
 **In-person Fellowship** in the Narthex following worship
 **Staff meeting** in the Sanctuary 11:00-11:15 a.m.
 **Adult Ed. Bible Study** at 11:15 a.m. via Zoom or by joining Blair at his computer
 in the Parlor/Library
**Monday, October 10 – Pastor’s Sabbath
Tuesday-Friday – Pastor Wendy’s Heart to Heart** on Facebook live at 4:20 p.m.
**Tuesday, October 18
 Pastor’s Bible Study** at 2:00 p.m.
 **Session** at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor/Library
 A.A. at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
**Wednesday, October 19**
 **eNotes go out
 Presbyterian Readers** at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
**Friday, October 21
 Women’s Circle** meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor, followed by carpooling to
 downtown Glen Ellyn to the Re:New Project shop and then to A Toda Madre
 for lunch A.A. at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
**Saturday, October 22** If needed: **Rain Date for Fall Clean-Up Day**, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
**Next** **Sunday, October 23** **Order Jubilee Bucks** by emailing bobbifrey@aol.com before 9:00 p.m. **Worship, Dedication of Pledges** at 9:30 a.m. in person and also live
 on Facebook
 **In-person Fellowship** in the Narthex following worship
 **Staff meeting** in the Sanctuary 11:00-11:15 a.m.
 **Adult Ed. Bible Study** at 11:15 a.m. via Zoom or by joining Blair at his computer
 in the Parlor/Library
 **Nominating** at 11:15 a.m. in the Choir Room
 **Youth: Pizza & Games** from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Bearing Fruit – October 16, 2022**

**How do we share God’s love with the next generation?**

It has been said that God has no grandchildren. Each new generation needs to be nurtured in faith and introduced to the love we have found in Jesus Christ. How do we share God’s love with the next generation?

Welcome is an important first step in sharing the love of God. Our **Trunk or Treat** will be on **Sunday,** **October 30 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.** Our goal is welcoming children, and we’re inviting the community. This is a way for us to both welcome children to Southminster and become better acquainted with our neighbors. Imagine bearing the fruit of God’s love simply by driving to church and passing out candy. Rumor has it that the Bohis will be staging their historic, ever-popular “Dunking for Donuts” at Trunk or Treat this year! Join them in bearing the fruit of God’s love. This event cannot happen without your help. Please reach out to Blair Baldwin after worship or by emailing her at Blairbaldwin@southminsterpc.org to ask how you can help welcome children to Southminster.

Another step in welcoming the next generation is giving a sense of belonging and support by sharing in ministry. On **Saturday night, November 5,** Bridge Communities is holding a county-wide and multigenerational event, **Sleep Out Saturday**, to raise support for homeless families. This is a ministry that we at Southminster not only helped begin but continue to support. For many years our youth have slept outside to raise money for Bridge Communities’ work. You are invited to join them – not by sleeping out (though you are invited to do so) but by sponsoring their sleeping out. The link for sponsoring a sleeper will be posted soon. You may join our youth at College of DuPage for a Sleep Out rally complete with dinner, or you can even stop by the church and say, “Thank You” to the youth. Please reach out to Blair Nelson after worship or by emailing him at Blair@southminsterpc.org for details about the event.

Please bear the fruit of God’s love by reaching out to the next generation.

