**Southminster Presbyterian Church**

**22nd Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Sunday**

**November 6, 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: *When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace;* *By All Your Saints Still Striving; My Life Flows On*

 Our Photo Story today is “Those Who Go Before Us.”

 Welcome, Announcements, and Moment for Mission

 Prelude: *In Christ Alone*

 Lighting the Candles (Romans 8:38-39)

 **For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

 Call to Worship (Psalm 46)

 Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

 **People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
 though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

 **All: We claim God’s words to us: “Be still, and know that I am God!”**

 Hymn 326: *For All the Saints* (verses 1, 2, 3, 5)

 Prayer of Confession: (unison)

**God, we are both saints and sinners. You see us as your beloved children, washed and born new by your mercy, living in the blessings of your grace. In all that we have done wrong, forgive us, please. Continue to mold us more and more into the image of Jesus 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 581: *Glory Be to the Father*

**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.**

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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: Revelation 21:1-5 Pew Bible, p. 259 (N.T.)

 2 Kings 5:15-19a Pew Bible, p. 336 (O.T.)

 Sermon: “A River Runs Through It”

 Saying What We Believe/Affirmation of Faith (unison)
 from *The Heidelberg Catechism* (edited)

Q: What is your only comfort in life and in death? **A: That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

 Hymn 375: *Shall We Gather at the River*  (verses 1, 3, 4)

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

 Offertory Anthem:  *Goin’ Home*

 \**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: *When Peace Like a River*

 *We will receive communion by intinction. Our usher will invite you to come forward
 by pew, beginning from the back. With Christian love we serve gluten-free
 communion bread and alcohol-free grape juice.*

 Prayer after Communion

 Hymn 836: *Abide with Me* (verse 1)

***After the hymn, the piper will lead everyone to the Memorial Garden to dedicate the new bricks that have been placed this year. For people at home, the broadcast will end here.***

Procession and Gathering in the Memorial Garden

Piper: *Mist Covered Mountains; The Old Rugged Cross*

[The piper will lead us to the Memorial Garden.

Please assemble there as we continue to worship]

**Thanksgiving for the lives of those we follow**

 Prayer for the Communion of Saints

Leader: O God, before whom the generations rise and pass away,
 age after age has sought you and found that of your
 faithfulness there is no end.

**People: Be to us now the cloud by day and the fire by night.**

Leader: We thank you for all these your servants who having
 lived this life in faith now dwell eternally with you.

People: **Keep us in communion with them until we meet with
 all the faithful in the joy of your kingdom, through
 the risen Christ we pray. Amen.**

 Prayer (unison)

**O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

 Closing Hymn: *Jesus, Remember Me*

**Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom;**

**Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.**

 Charge and Benediction

 Postlude: *Amazing Grace*

**Participants and Technical Crew**

Rev. Wendy Boden

Liturgist: Terry Kline

Deacon Greeter/Fellowship: Barb Kocinski

Musicians: Tom Anderson, Southminster Choir, Dave Johnston, bagpipes

Worship Associate: David Kozich

Tech support: Chris Kozich, Alec Parks

The flowers today are given by Lanny Russell to celebrate Joey’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>

**Photo Stories/PowerPoints help us feel connected!**Photo Stories/PowerPoints 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:
 **November 20: “Fall Beauty/Trunk or Treat”** Please send us your photos of gorgeous
 fall colors and/or photos of Trunk or Treat fun by Thursday, November 17.
 **December 4: “Advent Wreaths/Candles”** Please send us your photos by Thursday,
 December 1.

**Send photos to David Kozich**, who assembles the Photo Stories: kozichd1@gmail.com. (Email is preferred, but if you need to send a photo to David by text, call the church office to get his cell phone number.) Include ***the date and Photo Story/PowerPoint title for which your photos are to be used.***

**Elders, moderators, and staff**: Please note that **items for the Session docket are due by this Thursday, November 10, at noon**. The Session meeting is Tuesday, November 15.

**Notes from Blair Nelson:**

**Adult Education**: Ever pondered the Sermon on the Mount? You haven't? Then it is about time. You have? Want to do it again (it is well worth your time)? Join us at 11:15 in the Parlor or via this Zoom link for an hour of enriching study, conversation, and fellowship:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82920574961?pwd=dEwxU2NhaFM5VWhPSzBtYkZvUld2dz09>
Meeting ID: 829 2057 4961 Passcode: 537355

**Youth:** We slept out last night for **Sleep Out Saturday!** Next Sunday it will be **Pizza & Games** from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Sleep Out Saturday: The congregation can help!**Your donations support Bridge Communities’ efforts to assist people from homelessness to better lives. If you haven’t already donated in support of one of our sleepers, it’s not too late! Here is the link to donate: <https://www.bridgecommunities.org/group139>
(You may need to scroll down on the page to find the Southminster sleepers’ names.)

**Young Adults**:  Thanksgiving is a time for our out-towners to migrate home to see family and eat turkey. Which means it is also a time to see old friends. So, put the evening of Nov. 23 (the Wednesday before Turkey Day) on your calendar for **Tacos before Turkey**. We will meet and eat at Wendy and Blair’s from 7:00-8:00 p.m., and we will host a Zoom meeting so folks who cannot be there can tune in and say “Hi!”

**From the Stewardship Ministry**: Thank you to everyone who has already turned in their **pledges for 2023**. If you have not already done so, it is not too late to declare your financial pledge for next year’s budget. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge soon, if you are able to do so. You may make a pledge by turning in a pledge card, or by contacting Stewardship ministry chair Chris Kozich directly – her email is kintonck@gmail.com.

**Notes from the Mission Ministry: Share the Spirit**The time of year is soon upon us with the holiday season when the Southminster family supports the **People's Resource Center's Share the Spirit** program. Our more financially vulnerable neighbors in the DuPage community are given assistance to enhance their shopping experience for the holidays. This year, members and friends of Southminster may partake in giving donations. As advised by PRC, this year will consist only of gift cards through Jubilee Bucks via Bobbi Frey. Purchases of these gift cards will be *only for $25.00 cards from Amazon, Jewel, Mariano’s, Target, or Walmart*. Special order forms for Jubilee Bucks/Share the Spirit can be found on the shelf opposite the church office. Ordering has begun and will continue through November 13. (Scroll down for more information about Jubilee Bucks/Share the Spirit.)

**Notes from the Worship Ministry:**It's not too early to think about **Christmas poinsettias**! Worship Ministry will again be ordering 3 branch blooming poinsettias to beautify the sanctuary for Christmas; the cost is $40 each. We are hoping for **12 red** and **2 white**. Kindly sign up on the flower bulletin board at church or contact Sarah Allen by phone or text (630-988-8231) by **December 4.**

**Women’s Circle to Arrange Flowers in November**:
ALL women are invited to attend the November 18 meeting of Women’s Circle. Linda Ellinghausen will be guiding us in making fall/Thanksgiving flower arrangements. Please let Linda know by this Wednesday, November 9, if you want to join in making arrangements; the cost will be $13.00. Women who would rather watch others do the arranging are welcome, too!

**Presbyterian Readers** meet at 7:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month—this month it will be November 16—currently by Zoom. The book for November is *A Redbird Christmas* by Fannie Flagg.
The Readers will NOT meet in December.
To join the book discussion, use the following link at 7:00 p.m. on November 16:
[Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86861724721?pwd=TE0yYXZGZUtUNkdvYWh4UEhaTFc0dz09) Meeting ID: 868 6172 4721 Passcode: 600865
The same Zoom link is good for all of 2022.

The **Thank Offering** will be received on November 20 during worship… with a reminder to count our blessings and bring our coins to add to the big punch bowl. The Thank Offering is an effort of Presbyterian Women’s Circle, but everyone who has blessings to count is invited to participate!

**Jubilee Bucks** (from Bobbi Frey):
Thanks to all who have ordered Jubilee Bucks, we have made $1,377.74 in “free” money so far this year for our church! Your next chance to order is next Sunday, November 13.

One of the projects Mission supports is **PRC’s Share the Spirit (STS)** by purchasing gift cards for them to distribute to families with children. They are asking for $25 gift cards to Amazon, Target, Walmart, Jewel, and Mariano’s. These cards can be ordered any time between now and November 13 and will be held and delivered together for STS. Purchase gift cards through Jubilee Bucks and you’ll be supporting two good causes – Southminster *and* Share the Spirit!

To order, just email bobbifrey@aol.com any time before 9:00 p.m. on November 13 with your order: merchant, number and denomination of cards, and total order. If you include cards you wish to donate along with your regular Jubilee Bucks order, just designate which cards are for STS. **Donations for PRC (People’s Resource Center)** (also from Bobbi Frey):
Every week a trunkload of food, personal items, and cleaning products is delivered 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.
 **Joys and Concerns**
**The flowers today** are from Lanny Russell celebrating Joey’s birthday.
**We celebrate joys**.
**We pray for the Jeremiah 29 discernment task force.
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
 - Paul Pelosi, husband of Senator Nancy Pelosi of CA, who was attacked in their home. We pray that God would keep all the public servants and their families safe.
  - We pray for Hope Presbyterian in Wheaton, now entering the search process for an interim pastor
**We pray for those who mourn. Please lift up grieving families and friends:**
  - Anna Nelson’s friend, Becca Pressler, who suffered 3 strokes after contracting Covid, has died. Please pray for her husband, Todd, and the rest of her family and friends.
  - Blair Nelson and family in the death of his Uncle Ron
**We lift up those who are affected by cancer, as well as their support systems:**
  -  Linda Wolf Jeziorski, who has High Risk MDS; please pray for her as she receives experimental treatments.
  - Andrea Schmidt’s friend Peggy, who has reoccurring cancer
  - Tracy Nelson, battling cancer and the very challenging side-effects of chemo
 - We rejoice that Shelayne Larson, Kurt Parent, and Rita Zapel’s brother, John, have had a good reports!
  - Please also remember Rod Boehmer, Dan Bohi, Tammy Grey, Jan Mazur, Meagan Nielson, Charlene Simpson, Jim Sundquist, Connie Vernon, Beverly Webb, and others we name in our hearts.
**We pray for all who are infected with and/or affected by Covid.**
 - Marc, father of Barb’s son-in-law, who in addition to numerous serious health conditions now has Covid, as does Sharon, his wife.
**We pray for all who are dealing with mental or physical health challenges:** - Sandy Phee had heart surgery this week. No visitors, please, but cards are welcome.
 - Cathy Hoffman, friend of Angela Smith, as she recovers from a stroke
 - The Kevorkian family with multiply health problems
  - Linda H. who is recuperating from heart bypass surgery
  - Vicki, recovering from surgery
  - Barb’s cousin, Linda M., recovering from brain surgery. It went well, but now she is waiting for the pathology report.
  - Barb’s friend, Bill, who is being treated for blood clots in his leg and lungs
  - Heidi Sherry’s brain tumor is gone (after several months of radiation treatments! We continue to pray for her health.
  - Kathy Davidson, recovering from hip surgery
  - Those who have chronic or progressive illnesses
  - People receiving new treatments
  - People waiting for surgery
  - People giving up addictions
  - People struggling with difficult family concerns/marital circumstances
  - 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 November, call Louanne Jourdan (home: 630-793-9338 or cell: 630-244-6866). 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.-3:00 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, November 6 – All Saints Sunday, Communion
End of Daylight Saving Time** **SOS Breakfast** at 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
 **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
 **Nominating** at 11:15 a.m. in the Choir Room
**Monday, November 7 – Pastor’s Sabbath** Voting equipment will be delivered in the morning; election judges will be here
 around 6:00 p.m. to set up in Fellowship Hall
**Tuesday-Friday – Pastor Wendy’s Heart to Heart** on Facebook live at 4:20 p.m.
**Tuesday, November 8 – Election Day
Fellowship Hall will be in use all day as a polling place.** **Knitting Circle** at 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor
 **Deacons** at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor
 A.A. at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room
**Wednesday, November 9** Voting equipment will be picked up during the morning
 **eNotes** go out
**Thursday, November 10**
 **Session docket deadline**
 Pastor Wendy moderates Session at Hope Presbyterian Church at 7:00 p.m. **Friday, November 11** A.A. at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall  **Next Sunday, November 13
Order Jubilee Bucks gift cards** by emailing bobbifrey@aol.com before 9:00 p.m. ***This is your only chance to order cards for Share the Spirit!*** **Worship** at 9:30 a.m. in person and also live on Facebook
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 **Youth: Pizza & Games** from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

**Bearing Fruit – November 6, 2022**Please remember that the session is beginning to work on the 2023 budget and would like to have all information on pledges turned in to the office or offering plate.

Today is the conclusion of **Sleep Out Saturday**. It is reported that at this writing Southminster’s collection is over $1,800 so far, mostly from people outside of Southminster. You may donate after the event. Please consider supporting our youth as they “Sleep Out Saturday” to help end homelessness through the assistance of Bridge Communities. Here is the link to donate: <https://www.bridgecommunities.org/group139>.

Today we are sharing in the Lord’s Supper with a special emphasis on **All Saint’s Day**. The Lord’s Table has a pall on it representing death, and our bread will be shortbread, a tradition of the Scottish church for communion. We serve it as a reminder that though death is a great loss for those of us left behind, there is sweetness for those who have gone on because they are with our risen Lord. Death does not have the last word! Our Photo Story includes pictures of people who have gone before, some of whom were from the fall of 2021 and earlier. We felt it was important to include them in the photo story and in the necrology because the pandemic was a time out of time.

For the first time since the pandemic began, we will be dedicating bricks in our Memorial Garden, where our service will conclude. For those of you at home, the service will conclude with Dave Johnston piping the congregation out to the tune of “Misty Mountain/Old Rugged Cross.” Please see the attachment for the list of names that we will offer up in prayer, thanking God for the gift of their lives. In worship, in mission, we bear the fruit of God’s love.