

Service for the Lord's Day

First Sunday after Christmas
December 27 2009 -10:00 A. M.
Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Call to Worship (CTW)

One: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Many: Praise God from heaven, praise him from the mountain top.

Women: Praise God, all his angels and heavenly hosts, the sun, moon and stars.

Men: Praise God, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies.

One: Praise God from the earth

Many: You great sea creatures and all ocean depths,

Women: Lightning and hail, snow and clouds and winds,

Men: Mountains and hills, fruit trees and cedars

One: Wild animals, cattle, small creatures and birds,

Women: Kings of the earth and all nations,

Men: young men and maidens, old men and children.

Many: Let everything give praise to the name of the Lord!

One: His splendor is above the earth and the heavens!

All: Let us worship the Lord!

`Gathering Hymn #270

“Joy to the World”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (CTW)

God of the Ages, our beginning and our end, it's a day for looking at the past, what we've done and where we've been this year. It doesn't take long for us to recall the missteps and the mistakes and the many times we missed the mark. Looking back, we see our sins. We also see your faithfulness. So we offer our confession with a measure of hope that your mercy will cleanse us yet again so that we might follow Jesus Christ into the future you have prepared.

(Silent Prayer) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

† Gloria Patri (Hymn #812)

The Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Proclaiming the Word

The Prayer for Illumination

The Word Read

Old Testament: I Samuel 2:18-20, 26 (page 200)

Epistle: Colossians 3: 12-17 (page 898)

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52 (page 784)

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

A Special Time for Children

Special Music

Phil Hutchinson

The Word Proclaimed

“Two Boys”

*The Invitation

Responding to the Word

† Sermon Hymn #291

“O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”

† The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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

Prayers of the People and 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.

Our Offering to God

† Doxology (Hymn #815)

† Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

† Sending Hymn #258 "Go Tell it on a Mountain"

† Charge

† Benediction

Postlude

† All who are able please stand.

(* **An Invitation to Discipleship** Our mission at Southminster is to be a living witness for Jesus Christ, making disciples both near and far. In fulfillment of that mission, we invite everyone who worships with us to respond with faith, trusting Jesus Christ to be Lord and Savior in every part of life. Sometimes this invitation to discipleship is extended by the pastor at the close of the sermon, or in a special appeal afterwards. If you desire to speak to someone about responding to this invitation, or about joining the Southminster family as we follow Christ together, please contact the pastor or one of our elders. We will be glad to pray with you about any concerns you might have and to welcome you warmly as a member of this congregation.

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Seminarian/Business Administrator, Mr. Ronald L. Rockey

Director of Children's Ministries and Christian Education, Ms. Janet Ingle

Choir Director, Mrs. Beth Glover

Instrumentalist, Kristina Wilcher

Participating in Worship

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| Liturgist | Karen Mitseff-Medlen |
| Acolytes | Joshua Pitts / Logan Straber |
| Greeters | Hospitality Team |

Our assisting elder for December 2009 is Mike Coons

Our deacon servers for December 2009 Brent Walter, Sharon Davis, Richard Calvert

Nursery Helpers for this Sunday:

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| SS Crib Rm. | Janet Ingle / Janice Rockey |
| Crib Room | Andrea Lane / Janet Coons |
| Toddler/Preschool | Ed & Gayle Burton |

Participants for Sunday, January 3, 2009

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| Liturgist | Michelle Straber |
| Acolytes | Communion Pooled |
| Greeters | Hospitality Team |

Nursery Helpers for Sunday January 3, 2009:

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| SS Crib Rm. | Janet Coons / Claire Coons |
| Crib Room | Becca Rockey / Cori Davis |
| Toddler/Preschool | Sharon Davis / Debbie Jones |

Current Church Officers: Session

2009

Rick Brewer
Ethel Pfendler
Glenn Brower

2010

Bill Clark
Mike Coons
Larry Hanni

2011

Jan Albert
John Koeller
Michelle Straber

Board of Deacons

2009

Randy Gill
Debbie Reeder
Christina Myers

2010

Richard Calvert
Sarah Pitts
John Rockey

2011

Sharon Davis
Dave Green
Brent Walter

Attendance:

12/20/2009

133

Offering:

12/20/2009

\$ 3,660.00

Capital Campaign

12/20/2009

\$ 1,285.00

Welcome to Southminster Presbyterian Church

Visitors are invited to:

1. Join with us in a time of fellowship, coffee, juice or milk and cookies immediately after the service in the fellowship hall, the room across from the sanctuary.
2. Take a copy of our newsletter from the table in the narthex.
3. If you are interested in becoming a member, please talk with the pastor or one of the elders.

Large print bulletins and children's bulletins are available on the table in the narthex or from any deacon.

We value your attendance, praises, prayer concerns and suggestions.

Prayer Cards are available in the pews. Please take a moment prior to the start of service to fill out the prayer card with prayer requests you wish to bring to the attention of the pastor, elders, deacons and congregation. Please print or write legibly **and pass the cards to the side aisle prior to the first hymn** at which time the deacons will collect the cards and deliver all cards with prayer requests to the pastor. All cards collected from the worship service will be taken to the pastor's office for recording prayer requests.

Assistive Listening System devices are now available for the hearing impaired. Please see Conrad Rockey or Mike Coons before worship service.

Sunday Service Recordings Now Available on CD. If you would like to borrow a CD for yourself or a shut-in, they are located in the library. Please record your name on the check-out list). Please contact Conrad Rockey for a copy of a particular service you wish to keep.

Remember in Prayer... Please inform the church of deletions or updates.

Remember shut-ins with cards, phone calls and visits (phone first) (Shut-ins): Bea Snyder, Nancy Rabourn.

Other prayer concerns:

December 20, Family of John Marciano (Louis Rockey's brother-in-law) November **15,** Dennis Morgan & family passing of his wife Ruth (Sara Pitts) Lucille Morgan (Sarah Pitts); Marlin Gunn, **November 11,** John Butler in the hospital (Hazel) Stephanie Roberts (Sister of Lori Green);

Yoga Class in January - we still have space for a few more - sign up sheet is in the Gathering Place.

YEAR-END COMMITTEE REPORTS

All year-end Committee reports due in the office on or before December 30th.
Thank you Roger

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the following slate for election to Session and the Board of Deacons. **For Session, we nominate Karen Mitseff-Medlen, Don Rockey and Glenn Brower (2nd Term) and for the Board of Deacons we nominate Elaine Hulsman, Janet Coons and Chris Myers (2nd Term).** The Committee is appreciative of the willingness of all those who expressed a willingness to serve. We would appreciate the Congregation's prayerful consideration of these candidates. This slate will be formally presented for election at the Congregational meeting on January 10th. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the meeting. Given the significant responsibilities and time commitment required of officers of the church, we ask that you obtain the consent of the person being nominated prior to exercising your right to place a name in nomination from the floor. Thanks for your help.
Glenn Brower

Slumber Party

Friday, January 8th – 8 pm to 8 am – Home of Terry Rockey

Attention ALL GIRLS – (Grades 6 thru 12)

Come enjoy a night of fun, food and fellowship.

This will kickoff our session II bible study *Living as a Woman of God* beginning on January 12, 2010, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. For details and to signup call: Claire Coons @ 796-9754 or Terry Rockey @ 627-5576

OUR WORK AND WORSHIP

December 27, 2009 – January 3, 2009

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| Today 12/27 | 9:00am | Sunday school for all ages |
| | 10:00am | Worship Service |
| | 11:00am | Fellowship |
| | No Kids' Hour | |
| | No Sr. or Jr. High Youth Group | |
| Sunday 01/03 | 9:00 am | Sunday school for all ages |
| | 10:00 am | Worship Service |
| | 11:00 am | Fellowship |
| | No Kids' Hour | |
| | No Sr. or Jr. High Youth Group | |

Prepare for Worship

January 3rd

Second Sunday after Christmas
Jesus Revealed
Jeremiah 31:7-14, Ephesians 1:3-14,
John 1: (1-9), 10-18

January 10th

Baptism of the Lord
Jesus Revealed: The Challenge of Naming
Jeremiah 31:1-9, 31-34, Matthew 1:1-2, 6-7,
11-12, 17-24

January 17th

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jesus Revealed: The Paradigm Shattering
Teacher
Deuteronomy 5:6-22, Matthew 5: 43-48,
Mark 1: 14-27

January 24th

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jesus Revealed: Messenger of the Kingdom of
God.
Isaiah 52: 7-10, Psalm 145: 10-13,
Matthew 11: 1-24