

Welcome to Southminster
Christ's love is here for YOU!

Prayer Requests:

Shirley Allen, Jan Boehm, Dennis Grimm, Jamee Johnson, Chris LaVine serving in Afghanistan, Stella Moore (Ken's mother having radiation treatment), Pam Moseley (traveling mercies), Lewis Passmore (Ashley Vaughn's grandfather), Bill Pearce, Kay Schuler, Janet Wright, Julius Nyaga Church, our sister church in Magumoni Parish in Kenya

August 7, 2011—*Cherokee Presbytery Church of the week:* Menlo Presbyterian Church, originally named Alpine, was organized in 1853 in the western part of Chattooga County near the Alabama border. The congregation is yoked with the Cloudland Church. Menlo is located on Edison Street in Menlo. Membership is 13. The Clerk of Session is Iva Nelle Spears.

This Week's Calendar:

Today	August 7	9:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday school
		11:00 a.m.	Worship – The Sacrament of Holy Communion/ PATH offering & Rally Day
		12:15 p.m.	End of Summer picnic in fellowship hall
Monday	August 8	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study with Golda Fuller & Charles Nyaga
Wednesday	August 10	6:30 p.m.	“Living the Vision: Becoming a Community Ministry” program @ Calvary (2 nd Session)
Thursday	August 11	7:00 p.m.	Choir rehearsals resumes
Sunday	August 14	9:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday school
		10:30 a.m.	Choir warm-up
		11:00 a.m.	Worship

End of Summer Picnic—Immediately following worship today everyone is invited to gather in the fellowship hall for our end of summer picnic and fellowship. If you forgot to bring a side dish, come anyway, as hot dogs and beverages are provided. If you are visitor, please come join us. We'd love to share with you.

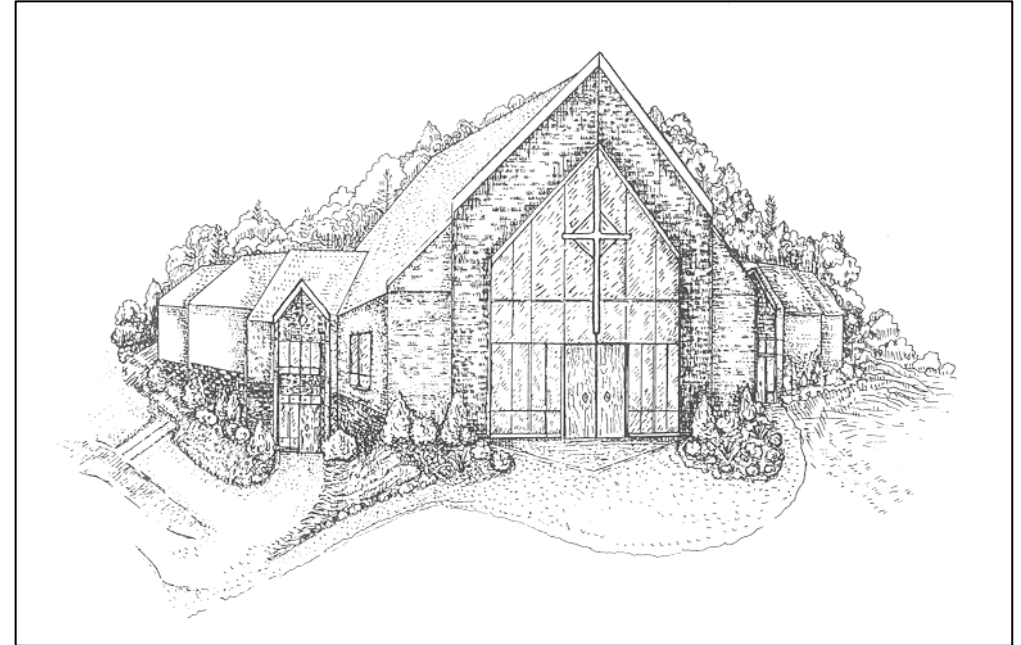
"Living the Vision: Becoming a Community Ministry"

Join us in this five-session program to learn how we can become a viable ministry in South Cobb County as we move forward to form our new church entity. We will meet at the Calvary Presbyterian Church on each of the five Wednesday evenings in August (3, 10, 17, 24, & 31). Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the classes will run from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. each week. The meals are free. A \$5.00 contribution is suggested if you can do that. Don't miss out on this very important opportunity to learn about our community and how we as individuals and as a new church entity can minister to it.

Choir Rehearsal Resumes—

The choir will resume rehearsals this Thursday, August 11, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. and will sing during worship on August 14. Choir warm-up will be held at 10:30 a.m. on August 14. If you are interested in joining the choir, please come to the rehearsal on Thursday evening or contact Pam Hudson.

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Welcome! There's a place for YOU at Southminster!

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August 7, 2011, 11:00 am – The Sacrament of Holy Communion
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

OPENING VOLUNTARY

(Please use the time before the service begins to review the announcements in the bulletin and to quietly prepare your heart for the worship of God.)

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

GREETINGS, WELCOME, AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The word is near to you, on your lips and in your heart.

All: No one who believes in Christ will be put to shame.

One: God is generous to all who call on God.

All: Everyone who calls on the name of the Holy God shall be saved.

*HYMN 391

“Take My Life”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, you are generous to all who call on you. You love without condition or distinction, inviting everyone to know you. Yet we are biased and self-serving, stingy with our affections. We pick favorites, harbor jealousies, and lash out at those who anger us. Forgive us, O God, for our smallness of heart. Assure us of your love for us and enlarge our sympathies for others, that in word and deed we may proclaim your salvation to the world. Hear us now, O Lord, as we continue to pray silently.....Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE Isaiah 1:18

All: Come now, let us argue it out says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

One: God is very good to us. Let us live in joy and peace.

*GLORIA PATRI (unison)

Hymn 579

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

(Please exchange greetings of peace with those near you.)

THE LAW

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

CHILDREN’S TIME

DISMISSAL SONG

“Jesus Loves the Little Children”

(Children ages 6 and up return to your seats with your family.)

EPISTLE READING

Romans 10:5-15

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SPECIAL MUSIC

“Oh, How I Love Jesus”

Men’s Quartet

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 14:22-33

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One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Walking on Water”

Rev. Paulsen

Response to the Word

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional)

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*HYMN 148

“At the Name of Jesus”

COMMISSIONING OF TEACHERS

THE EUCHARIST

(Worshippers are invited to partake of the bread individually as it is served. Please wait to partake of the cup until the minister does so, at which time everyone will partake of the cup at one time.)

Offering of ourselves and our gifts

Offertory

***Doxology – Hymn 592**

*Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Great Thanksgiving

Lord’s Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sending

*HYMN 404

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

PATH OFFERING *(Please bring your PATH offerings forward and place them in the silver offering basket during the singing of this hymn.)*

*BENEDICTION

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** Hymn 404 *“Precious Lord, Take My Hand” (verse 2)*

POSTLUDE

Assisting in Worship: Robert Holman—Pulpit Assistant

Helen James—Children’s Time

Pam Hudson—Church Musician

Dave Markle—Song Leader

Jackie and Dan Searles—Greeters & Offering counters

*All who are able please stand

Nursery provided for infants & children to 5 years – First floor