

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

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**Prayer Requests:**

Jan Boehm, Louise Cantrell, Edie & O. B. Chaffee, Gail Draper, Pat Dunn, Dennis Grimm, Jamee Johnson, Jill & Mike Kerns, Bob Larsen, Joey Moran, Tim Rolstad, and Tom Shaffer  
Our Christian sympathy is extended to Lottie Kershaw and family in the death on April 22, 2010, of her sister Martha Jean Davis.

**May 2, 2010 – Cherokee Presbytery Church of the week:** Eastminster Presbyterian Church, organized in 1973, located in east Cobb County at 3125 Sewell Mill Road in Marietta. Eastminster is the 28<sup>th</sup> oldest church in Cherokee Presbytery. The Reverend Tim Erskine is Interim Pastor. Allison Scholtens is Director of Christian Education. Active membership is 575. Diane Brock is Clerk of Session.

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**This Week's Calendar:**

Today	May 2	9:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday school
		10:30 a.m.	Choir warm up
		11:00 a.m.	Worship—The Sacrament of Holy Communion & PATH Offering
		11:30 a.m.	Children's Church
		12:15 p.m.	Session lunch and meeting
Wednesday	May 5	7:00 p.m.	Resource Council Meeting
Thursday	May 6	7:00 p.m.	No Choir rehearsal (note change)
Sunday	May 9	9:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday school
		10:30 a.m.	Choir warm up
		11:00 a.m.	Worship—Mother's Day Offering
		11:30 a.m.	Children's Church
		5:00 p.m.	Vespers @ P. V. Led by Jan Boehm

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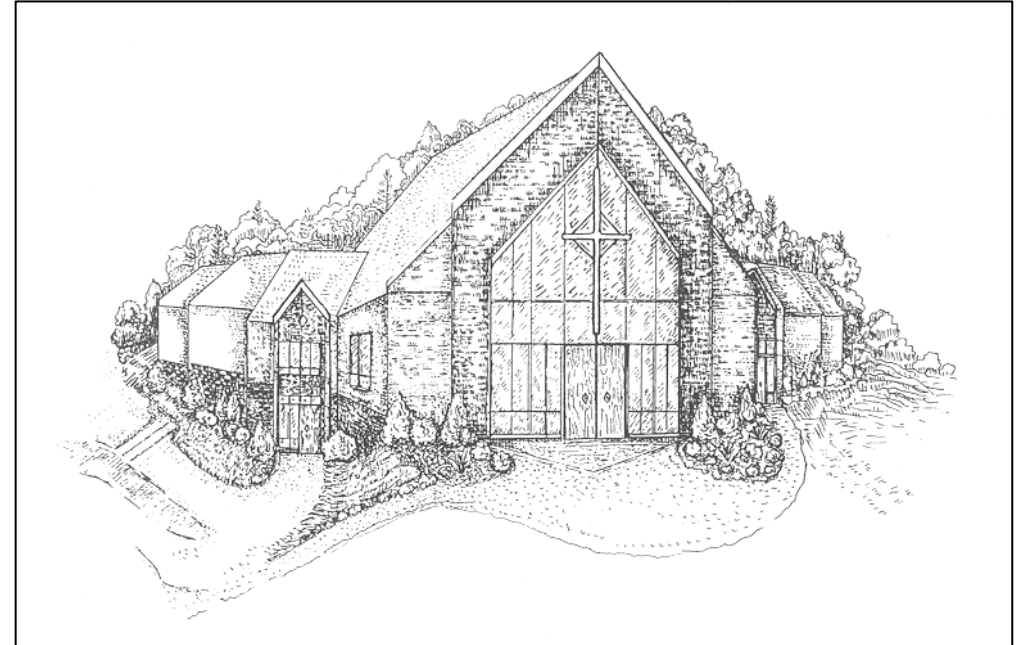
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**MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING**—On Sunday, May 9, Presbyterian congregations in Georgia will unite to honor mothers and others who have had a significant role in our lives by making a gift to the 2010 Mother's Day Offering to support Presbyterian Homes of Georgia *Caring Hands Fund*. Please read the article in the May newsletter and prayerfully consider making a gift in remembrance of your mother's loving care which will benefit residents at the four Georgia retirement communities who have outlived their financial resources.

Mark your calendars for the special worship service at 7:00 p.m. on Ascension Day, Thursday, May 13, at Southminster for both the Calvary and Southminster congregations.

The greeters today are: Pat Mukora and Beth Mukora

# Southminster Presbyterian Church



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# Southminster Presbyterian Church

May 2, 2010, 11:00 am – The Sacrament of Holy Communion  
Fifth Sunday of Easter

## 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: And the one who was seated on the throne proclaimed, “See, I am making all things new.” Praise the Lord!

All: **The Lord’s name be praised!**

\*HYMN 457 *“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”*

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, You are coming to make all things new. We long for you to make us new. Sin has stained and scarred us and has become so familiar to us. We have worshiped you with our lips, but not with our hearts. We have followed you with our words, but not with our lives. We have developed habits of convenience; our ways have become well-worn. Forgive us. Make us new. Start afresh with us, so that we might go in the way of Jesus Christ. Hear us now, O Lord, as we continue to pray silently...Amen**

### \*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: **May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.**

\*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 three years through fifth grade are dismissed to Children’s Church)*

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

Revelation 21:1-6

Pew Bible, page 259

### ANTHEM

*“Blessed Redeemer”*

Choir

### GOSPEL READING

John 13:31-35

Pew Bible, page 108

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

### SERMON

“Whom to Love?”

Rev. Paulsen

## Response to the Word

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**The Apostles’ Creed** (Traditional) Page 14 in front of Hymnal

### \*HYMN 507

*“I Come with Joy”*

### 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–Page 16 in front of Hymnal

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Sending

### \*HYMN INSERT

*“Love Lifted Me”*

**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 510** *“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts” (vss 1 and 5)*

### POSTLUDE

Assisting in Worship: Charles Allen—Pulpit Assistant  
Susan White—Guest musician  
Helen James—Children’s Church

Dave Markle—Song Leader  
Jan Boehm—Children’s Time

\*All who are able please stand.

Nursery provided—First floor