

Southminster Presbyterian Church

May 23 2010, 11:00 a.m.- Pentecost Sunday

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

THE ANNOUNCEMENT Psalms 118:1

Hebrew—Pete Paulsen *Kiswahili*—Doin Kibaara *Kimeru*—Charles Nyaga
Kikuyu—Pat Mukora *German*—Rosalie Morgan *French*—Rosalie Morgan
English—Ruth Webb

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP “God, You’re Gracious, Strong, and Fair”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: How many and great are your works, O Lord!

All: In wisdom you have made them all.

One: You send forth your Spirit, and they are created.

All: And so you renew the face of the earth.

One: Bless the Lord!

All: The Lord’s name be praised!

*HYMN Insert “Open My Eyes That I May See”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of fire and wind, holy and powerful, mighty and mysterious, we are drawn by your Spirit to this place. As we gather and behold your glory, we are aware of how unworthy we are to be in your presence. We have ignored your word. We have rejected your gifts. We have failed in your work. Ignoring the truth of Pentecost, we continue to exclude those who are different from us. We divide our loyalties. We divide our hearts. Let your Spirit burn away our sins and fill us with faith and courage, so that we might live into the promise of this day, and receive the fullness of what you have prepared for us all, in Jesus Christ. Fill us with your Spirit as we continue to pray in silence...*(Please use these moments of silence to offer your personal prayer of confession.)* Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE (from Romans 4:13-25)

One: Who is in a position to condemn?

All: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us. Christ will come again.

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, in Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI (unison)

Hymn 579

*THE 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 Word

*HYMN 315

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Unison reading of hymn 322 “Spirit of the Living God”

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

Acts 2:1-21

Pew Bible, page 119

ANTHEM

“Cleanse Me”

Choir

GOSPEL READING

John 14:8-17, 25-27

Pew Bible, page 108

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“A Realistic Pentecost”

Rev. Paulsen

Response to the Word

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Declaration of Barmen, 1934)

One: What is the church’s commission?

All: The church’s commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of free grace of God to all people in Christ’s stead, and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work through sermon and Sacrament.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (unison)

Hymn 592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CALL TO PRAYER SONG

*All your anxiety, all your care, Bring to the Mercy Seat and leave it there,
Never a burden He doth not bear, Never a friend like Jesus.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER (traditional)

Hymnal page 16

Sending

*HYMN 326

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE HYMN 326 –verse 1

Assisting in worship today:

Pam Hudson—Church Musician

Kate Tutwiler—Pulpit Assistant

Pat Mukora—Children’s Time

Dave Markle—Song Leader

Beverly & Nicole Larsen—Children’s Church

Charles Nyaga & Doin Kibaara—Greeters

*All who are able, please stand

Nursery provided—First floor

Welcome to Southminster

Christ's love is here for YOU!

Prayer Requests:

Wayne Allen (Judy Curlee's brother), Jan Boehm, Edie & O. B. Chaffee, Pat Dunn, Dennis Grimm, Jamee Johnson, Jill & Mike Kerns, Bob Larsen (David Larsen's father), Tim Rolstad, Dorothy Ross (Helen James sister)
Julius Nyaga Church, our sister church in Magumoni Parish in Kenya

Remember in prayer the family of the Rev. Dr. Mark Preston Weaver who died on Thursday, May 13, 2010, at a hospice facility following a recent illness. He was currently the organizing pastor of Grace Presbyterian N. C. D. in Dawsonville, GA., and was the Moderator of Cherokee Presbytery for 2010.

Pray for the family of Howard McClelland who passed away on Friday, May 14, 2010, after a brief illness. He was Clerk of Session for Ray-Thomas Memorial PC and also served on the Administrative Division for Cherokee Presbytery from 2002-2006.

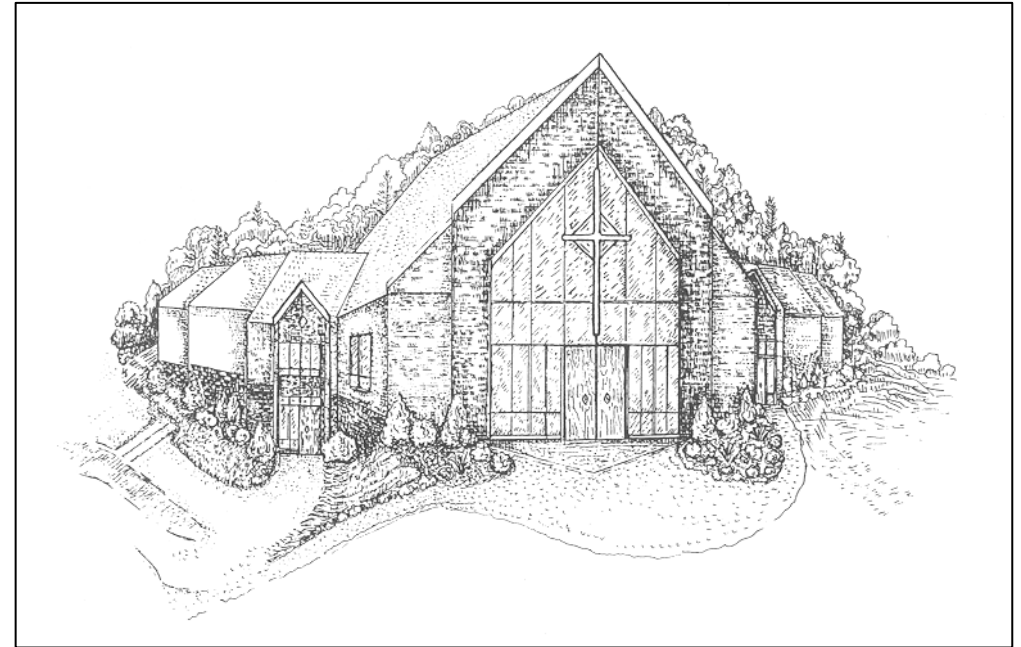
May 23, 2010 – Prayers for Camp Cherokee: The 2010 Summer Camp schedule begins next week and goes through July. On Saturday, May 30, campers ranging from 2nd grade to 12th grade will be signing in at Cherokee Retreat Center for five days of fun in Christian community. Weekly sessions are scheduled through July. Visit www.cherokeeretreatcenter.com to see what's going on, and to register. Pray for Director Kelly Howington, the camp staff, and the campers.

This Week's Calendar:

Today	May 23	9:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday school
		10:30 a.m.	Choir warm-up
		11:00 a.m.	Worship/Pentecost Sunday
		11:30 a.m.	Children's Church
Tuesday	May 25	10:00 a.m.	Cherokee Presbytery Meeting @ Eastminster
		7:00 p.m.	Tuesday Evening Prayer Service
Thursday	May 27	7:00 p.m.	Choir rehearsal
Sunday	May 30	9:30 a.m.	Adult Sunday school
		10:30 a.m.	Choir warm-up
		11:00 a.m.	Worship/Trinity Sunday

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010, - **Life Line Screening** will be here in our fellowship hall all that day. Brochures are available with all the information you need to register for this testing. Spread the word to your friends and neighbors. You might just help to save a life!

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

Proclaim—Build—Create—Serve

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