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## Welcome to Southminster

*Christ's love is here for YOU!*

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### Prayer Requests:

Jan Boehm, Alton Brisbane (Candace Brisbane's father), Edie & O. B. Chaffee, Doris & Dennis Grimm, Jamee Johnson, Jill & Mike Kerns, Jane & Earl Lavender, Jackie & Mac McCown, the elders elect: Beverly Larsen and Jennifer Whitehead, the Elimu Vision Initiative Julius Nyaga Church, our sister church in Magumoni Parish in Kenya

**October 24, 2010**—*Cherokee Presbytery Church of the Week*: Southminster Presbyterian Church, organized in 1969. The church is located in south Cobb County at 1507 Hurt Road, SW in Marietta, where they are neighbors with Presbyterian Village. The Reverend Peter M. (Pete) Paulsen is Stated Supply Pastor. Membership is 110. Linwood Swain is Clerk of Session.

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### This Week's Calendar:

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| Today    | Oct. 24 | 9:30 a.m.      | Adult Sunday school                                      |
|          |         | 11:00 a.m.     | Worship  |
|          |         | 11:30 a.m.     | Children's Church  |
|          |         | <b>12 noon</b> | <b>Lunch &amp; elder training @ Calvary Presbyterian</b> |
| Tuesday  | Oct. 26 | 7:00 p.m.      | Tuesday Evening Prayer at Jan Boehm's apartment          |
| Thursday | Oct. 28 | 7:00 p.m.      | Choir rehearsal  |
| Sunday   | Oct. 31 | 9:30 a.m.      | Adult Sunday school                                      |
|          |         | 10:30 a.m.     | Choir warm up  |
|          |         | 11:00 a.m.     | Worship  |
|          |         | 11:30 a.m.     | Children's Church  |

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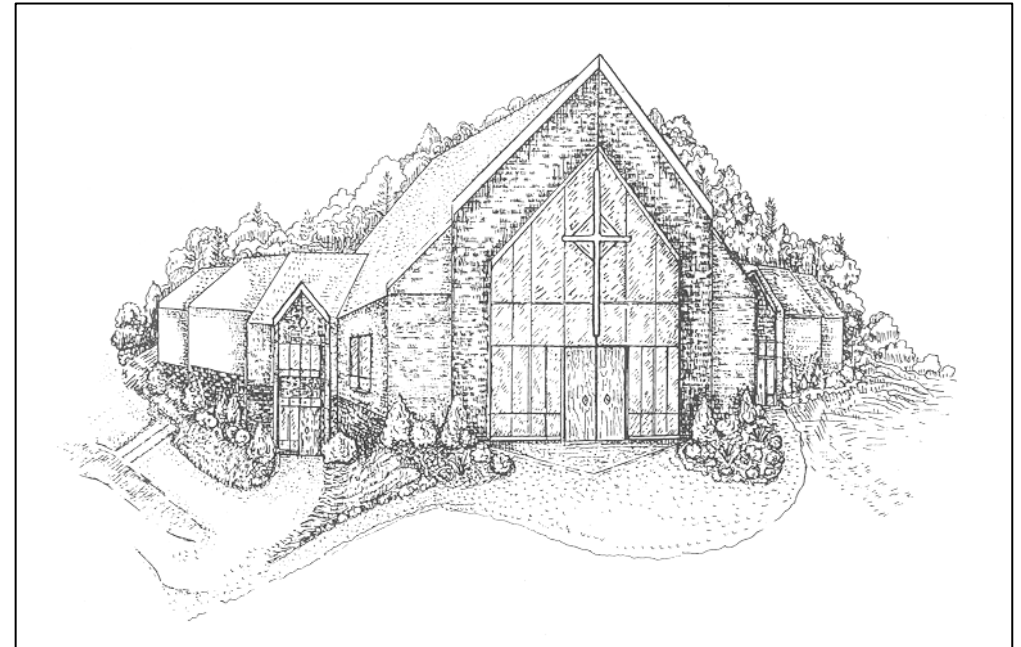
**Next Sunday, October 31, is Reformation Day All Saints Sunday**—During morning worship on this day, we will give special thanks for the Resurrection of our Lord and remember with affection those in or close to our congregation who have died in the past year. If you wish to have someone who has died within the past year memorialized during the service, please give the name(s) to Pete Paulsen today.

**Stewardship Luncheon**—Be sure to reserve **Sunday, November 7**, following worship for our annual stewardship luncheon. Now is the time for each one of us to be prayerfully considering how we will serve God at Southminster with our time, talents and treasures in the year 2011. Remember our stewardship theme is **Giving Makes Life Worth Living!**

**He's Arrived!**—Betty and Neal Cheek are now officially Great Grandparents! Porter Calvin Holcomb was welcomed into the world 2 ½ months early on Thursday, October 14. He weighs 3lbs. and is 16" long. Mom Jandi and Dad Daniel are looking forward to the day they can bring him home in a few weeks.

**Attention all active elders and elders elect**—Elder Training will be held today at Calvary Presbyterian Church beginning with lunch. Please leave Southminster as soon as possible after our worship service ends. **All elders elect and active elders are expected to attend.**

# Southminster Presbyterian Church



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

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October 24, 2010, 11:00 a.m.—Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 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: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

**All: Our souls long for your courts, where we yearn to sing your praises.**

One: Blessed are they who dwell in your house, who are always praising you.

**All: Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrim's way.**

### \*HYMN 459

*“Father, We Praise Thee”*

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, be merciful to me, a sinner, a sinner in the company of sinners. Too often, we hide beneath the veil of religion or trust in the good things we do. Seemingly safe in our pews, we look down on those not here, thankful that we are not like them. Yet, the truth is, we are. We have all sinned. We have all fallen short of the people you call us to be. Cleanse us and restore us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Hear us now, O Lord, as we continue to pray silently ...**  
*(Please use these moments of silence to offer your personal prayer of confession.) Amen.*

### \*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**All: God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor requite us according to our iniquities.**

One: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love toward those who fear him;

**All: as far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us.**

One: Believe this Gospel, and go forth to live in peace.

### \*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 291

*“O God of Earth and Alter”*

### 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.)*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joel 2:23-32

Pew Bible, page 848

### SOLO

*“I'd Rather Have Jesus”*

Dave Markle

### GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:9-14

Pew Bible, page 81

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

### SERMON

“Let us pray”

Rev. Paulsen

## Response to the Word

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Shorter Catechism, 1647)

Q. 63. Which is the Fifth Commandment?

**A. The Fifth Commandment is, “Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.”**

Q. 64. What is required in the Fifth Commandment?

**A. The Fifth Commandment requires the preserving the honor, and performing the duties, belonging to everyone in their several places and relations, as superiors, inferiors, or equals.**

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Robert Holman

### \*HYMN (insert) *verse 3*

*“The Summons”*

### 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 339

*“Be Thou My Vision”*

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Hymn 587 (sung twice) “Amen”

### Assisting in worship today:

Dorothy Young—Guest Musician;

Connie Swain—Pulpit Assistant

Dave Markle—Song Leader

Jackie McCown—Children's Time

Beverly and Nicole Larsen—Children's Church Leaders

\*All who are able, please stand.

Nursery provided—First floor