



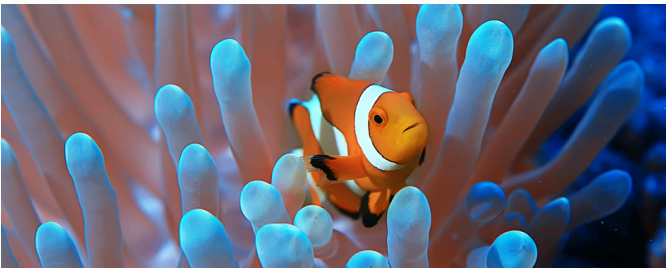
SOUTHMINSTER

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 25, 2024

AN INCLUSIVE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH.
OUR MISSION IS TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S LOVE IN THE WORLD.

TODAY
**"Flesh, Blood,
Love and Light"**



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Saturday, September 7 PFS presents 'West My Friend' at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary
 - Sunday, September 8 after service
 - Welcome Back Sunday
- Sunday, September 8 at 2 pm Water to Wine at the home of Judy Widen
- Sunday, September 15 Southminster Reads discussion after service
 - Friday, September 20 at 6 pm Mariners Gathering at the home of Wally Carey and Sandy Ruff
 - Sunday, September 22 at 9 am Coffee Volunteer training in the Petersen Gallery

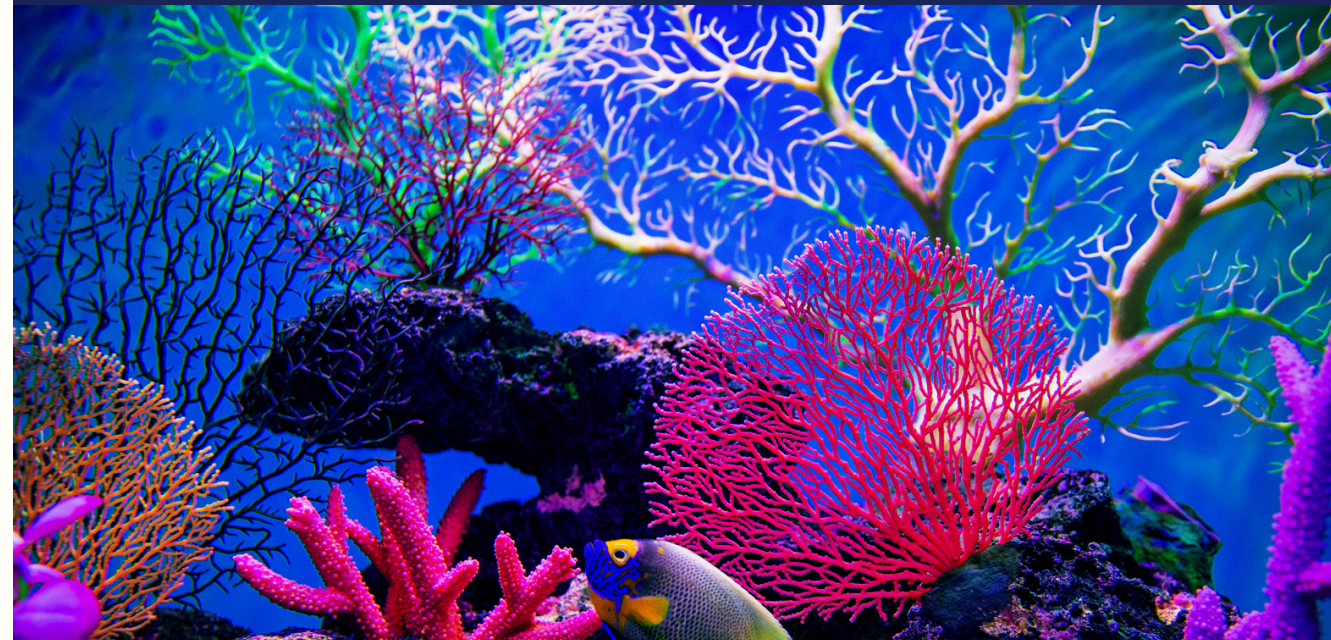


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**Do unto others as you would have others
do unto you. ~ Golden Rule**

PRELUDE

He Hideth My Soul

By William J. Kirkpatrick, Arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign friendship pads
- TODAY at 4 pm WIN picnic/potluck at the Aloha United Methodist Church
- Saturday, September 7 PFS presents 'West My Friend' at 7:30 pm in the sanctuary
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- Sunday, September 15 Southminster Reads discussion after service in Sanctuary and on Zoom
- Friday, September 20 at 6 pm Mariners Gathering at the home of Wally Carey and Sandy Ruff
- Sunday, September 22 at 9 am Coffee Volunteer training in the Petersen Gallery
- Children's Ministry: Audrey Morrow
- Visioning Survey: Mike Conner
- Moment for Chairs: Judy Widen
- Lay Reader: Kay Gifford

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"The command to love our enemies reminds us that our first task towards oppressors is to help them recover their humanity, and ours as well.... We must also become human."

~ Walter Wink

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to God!

We thank God for joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind.

Give thanks to God

at all times and for everything!

We thank God, when we can and as we can, for struggles, for solitude, for fears.

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in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ..

We thank God that, in Christ, our joys as well as our pain, our losses as well as our laughter, are in God's heart and hands.

~ Thom Shuman

OPENING HYMN

#405 Praise God for this Holy Ground

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us offer signs of Christ's peace to one another.

CHILDREN'S TIME

with Mary Gehr

Children and youth are dismissed.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power; put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil, for our struggle is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on the evil day and, having prevailed against everything, to stand firm. Stand, therefore, and belt your waist with truth and put on the breastplate of righteousness and lace up your sandals in preparation for the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

THEME READING

At the gold speckled counter, my pal in white apron—

index finger tapping his Arabic paper, where the body count dwarfs the one in my *Times*— announces, *You're killing my people.*

But in Hell's Kitchen, even the Antichrist ought to have coffee—one cream and two sugars. *Blessings Upon you,* he says, and means it.

"Easter at Al Qaeda Bodega"
~ Mary Karr

SPECIAL MUSIC

There Is A Balm in Gilead
Arr. Mark Hayes

SERMON

"Flesh, Blood, Love and Light"

Rev. Paul Belz-Templeman
Stated Clerk, Presbytery of the Cascades

RESPONSIVE HYMN

#756 O God of Every Nation

CORPORATE PRAYER

Craig Butler; Lay Leader
by Fred F. Keip

Indwelling God, infused throughout all existence, we honor you with many names. Your realm is within the human heart. We accept life for all that it can be, on earth as throughout all creation. May we continue to draw sustenance from this earth, and may we receive forgiveness equal to our own. May we ever move from separation toward union, to live in grace, with love in our hearts, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Priere du Matin

Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

DOXOLOGY

Through all our living, we our fruits must give. Good works of service are for offering. When we are giving, or when receiving, We belong to God. We belong to God. We belong to God. We belong to God.

CLOSING HYMN

#292 As The Wind Song

BENEDICTION

Rev. Paul Belz-Templeman

POSTLUDE

Valse Op. 64, No. 1
Frederic Chopin
(1810-1849)

FELLOWSHIP

