



**SOUTHMINSTER**

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 29, 2024

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

**TODAY**  
***“For Such a Time  
As This”***



### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sunday, October 6 after worship Adult Ed HYBRID Bible study on the Book of Genesis in Room 7 & on Zoom
- Saturday, October 12 at 7:30 pm PFS presents Tish Hinojosa at SPC
- Sunday, October 13 at 2 pm Water to Wine at the home of Robin and Dick Burnham
- Friday, October 18 at 6 pm Mariners gathering host TBD
- Saturday, October 26 starting at 5:30 pm Family Promise Night without a Bed

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**My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together. -Desmond Tutu**





## PRELUDE

O Lord Hear My Prayer  
Taizé, Jacques Berthier, Psalm 102

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign friendship pads
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- Youth & Children's Ministries
  - TODAY Children's Ministries  
picnic at Hornings Hideout from  
12 - 4 pm
  - TODAY Youth Ministries CLUE  
Event in Tigard from 2 - 5 pm
  - Sunday, October 6 11:30-1:30  
pm at SuperPlay Bowling &  
Laser Tag & Pizza
  - Sunday, October 27 at 11 am  
Trunk-R-Treat
  - Youth Fall beach trip at Camp  
Magruder November 1-3
- Lay Reader: Lizzy Hormann

## PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"A true martyr is not an opportunist who  
dies to get a reward of eternal life.

A true martyr is a humanist who dies to  
save a life."  
~ Mouloud Benzadi

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus calls us  
to praise and prayer,  
to song and silence;

### Jesus calls us to worship.

Jesus calls us  
to hearing and healing,  
to service and solidarity;

### Jesus calls us to love.

Jesus calls us  
to advocacy and action,  
to protest and provision;

### Jesus calls us to justice.

Let us heed the call of Christ.

### Let us worship together with joy.

by Joanna Harader

## OPENING HYMN

#352 My Lord, What A Morning

## 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

Children and youth are dismissed.

## HEBREW TESTAMENT READING

Esther 4:9-17  
Hathach went and told Esther what  
Mordecai had said. Then Esther spoke to  
Hathach and gave him a message for  
Mordecai: "All the king's servants and the  
people of the king's provinces know that,  
if any man or woman goes to the king  
inside the inner court without being  
called, there is but one law: to be put to  
death. Only if the king holds out the  
golden scepter to someone may that  
person live. I myself have not been called  
to come in to the king for thirty days."  
When they told Mordecai what Esther had  
said, Mordecai told them to reply to  
Esther, "Do not think that in the king's  
palace you will escape any more than all  
the other Jews. For if you keep silent at  
this time, relief and deliverance will rise  
for the Jews from another place, but you  
and your father's family will perish. Who  
knows? Perhaps you have come to royal  
dignity for just such a time as this." Then  
Esther said in reply to Mordecai, "Go,  
gather all the Jews to be found in Susa,  
and hold a fast on my behalf, and neither  
eat nor drink for three days, night or day.  
I and my maids will also fast as you do.  
After that I will go to the king, though it is  
against the law, and if I perish, I perish."  
Mordecai then went away and did  
everything as Esther had ordered him.

## THEME READING

"Down, down, down into the darkness of  
the grave. Gently they go, the beautiful,  
the tender, the kind; Quietly they go, the  
intelligent, the witty, the brave. I know.  
But I do not approve. And I am not  
resigned."

~ Edna St. Vincent Millay

## SPECIAL MUSIC

Wayfaring Stranger, Arr. Craig Courtney  
with guest cellist Jerry Bobbe

## SERMON

"For Such a Time As This"  
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

## RESPONSIVE HYMN

#345 In An Age of Twisted Values

## CORPORATE PRAYER

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.  
by Fred F. Keip

## OFFERTORY

Benedictus  
from The Armed Man: A Mass For Peace  
Karl Jenkins

## 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.  
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## CLOSING HYMN

#357 The Days Are Surely Coming

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Sing and Rejoice Fanfare –  
Let There Be Peace on Earth  
Brent Pierce – Jill Jackson & Sy Miller

## FELLOWSHIP

## ADULT EDUCATION

Book of Genesis Bible Study Room 7

