

**SOUTHMINSTER**

Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 8, 2024

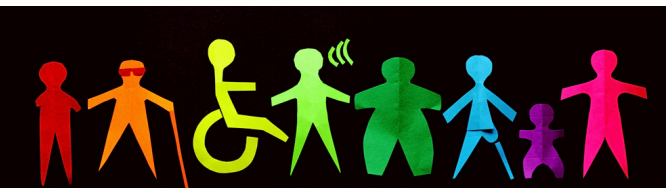
AN INCLUSIVE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH.  
OUR MISSION IS TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S LOVE IN THE WORLD.

# TODAY All The Apostles of God



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Thursday, September 12 at 8 am (and every Thursday) Men's B-fast at Tom's Pancake House
- Saturday, September 14 at 1 pm in Room 7 In-person Visioning Survey Focus Group
- Sunday, September 15 Pictures during service
- 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
- Sunday, September 22 & 29 Adult Ed HYBRID Bible study on the book of Genesis Room 7 and Zoom after worship service



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**“If they don’t give you a seat at the table, bring a folding chair.”**

**- Shirley Chisholm 1924 – 2005**

**First African-American woman elected to the US Congress**



## PRELUDE

On Eagle's Wings by Michael Joncas

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please sign friendship pads
- TODAY is Welcome Back Sunday & potluck after service
- TODAY at 2 pm Water to Wine at the home of Judy Widen
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- Sundays, September 22 & 29, and October 6 Adult Ed HYBRID Bible study on the book of Genesis Room 7 and Zoom after worship service
- Visioning Survey: Diane Bender
- Moment for Chairs: Matt Roberts
- Lay Reader: Aleta Parker

## PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"The past is recorded almost exclusively in the voices of elites and males, in the viewpoints of the wealthy and the powerful, in the visions of the literate and the educated."

~ John Dominic Crossan

## CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship the One who crafted creation out of chaos,

**our cries of joy join the anthems of the universe.**

We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us voice,

**we raise music that might lift all hearts.**

We gather as the children of God, our joy unbroken in God's love.

**young and old, tone deaf and perfect-pitched, lift the new, new songs of faith.**

## OPENING HYMN

#4 Holy God We Praise Your Name  
(vs 1,2,3 only)

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

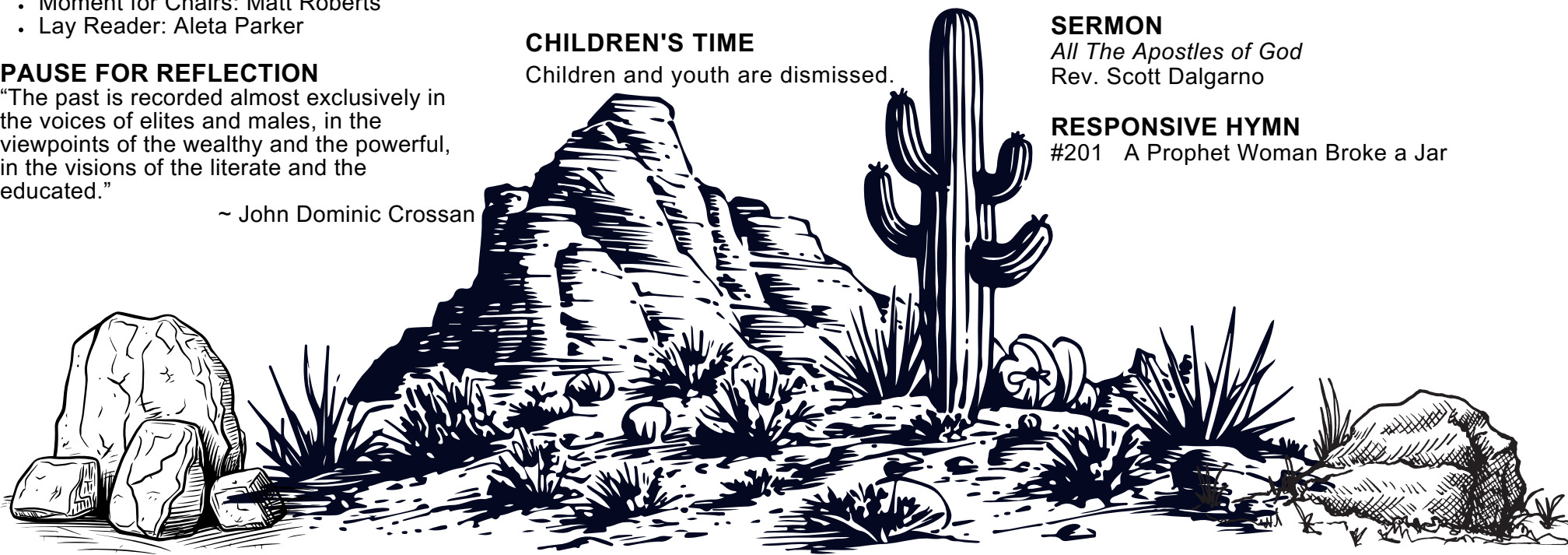
Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

**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.



## GREEK TESTAMENT READING

1 John 5:3-6

For the love of God is this, that we obey God's commandments. And God's commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

## THEME READING

"The rebel general Calgacus describes the Roman Empire just before his fatal encounter with its military might in northeastern Scotland: To plunder, butcher, steal, these things they misname empire: they make a desolation and they call it peace."

~ John Dominic Crossan

## SPECIAL MUSIC

Soon and Very Soon  
Words and Music by Andraé Crouch

## SERMON

*All The Apostles of God*  
Rev. Scott Dalgarno

## RESPONSIVE HYMN

#201 A Prophet Woman Broke a Jar

## 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

Sweet, Sweet Spirit  
Words and Music by Doris Akers

## 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

#324 For All The Faithful Women

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

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

## FELLOWSHIP

## WELCOME BACK SUNDAY

Join us for food and fun for the whole family!