

SOUTHMINSTER Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 10, 2024

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



DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, November 17 at 2 pm Water to Wine gathering at Willamette View
Sunday, November 24 at 10 am Don's Celebratory Service
Saturday, November 30 at 9 am Hanging of the Greens
Sunday, December 1 at 11:15 am Advent Fair
Monday, December 2 at 6 pm Women's Christmas Potluck at the home of Jeanne Reinhardt
Sunday, December 8 at 11:15 am Children's Play



STAFF

Senior Pastor: Rev. Scott Dalgarno Associate Pastor: Dr. Rev. Don Ludwig Office Coordinator: Rayin Brown Choir Director: Gabi Marcus Interim Accompanist: Michael Hawkins Handbell Choir Director: Dan Anajovich Technical Director: Moses Ram Director of Children's Ministry: Rev. C. Bunny Oliver Coordinator of Nursery/Preschool: Audrey Morrow

HOW TO REACH US

12250 SW Denney Rd. Beaverton, OR 97008 www.southmin.org Office phone w/voicemail: 503.644.2073 Staff email: staff@southmin.org **TODAY** Last Full Measure of Devotion

"When you're at the end of your rope, tie a knot and hold on" - Franklin D. Roosevelt

PRELUDE In This Very Room

by Ron & Carol Harris, arr. Bryce Inman

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- Minute for Stewardship
- Lay Reader: Donna Bekooy

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

"Courage is fear that has said its prayers." — Dorothy Bernard

CALL TO WORSHIP

Here in this place, there are no foreigners,

for all are welcome in God's house.

Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,

for love is the language of faith. Here in our lives, there are no divisions,

for God dwells in each of us. Come, let us worship in unity and love.

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 ARE DISMISSED

OPENING HYMN

#74 When God Restored Our Common Life

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING Ruth 1:1-18

During the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. A man with his wife and two sons went from Bethlehem of Judah to dwell in the territory of Moab. The name of that man was Elimelech, the name of his wife was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They entered the territory of Moab and settled there. But Elimelech, Naomi's husband, died. Then only she was left, along with her two sons. They took wives for themselves, Moabite women; the name of the first was Orpah and the name of the second was Ruth. And they lived there for about ten years. But both of the sons, Mahlon and Chilion, also died. Only the woman was left, without her two children and without her husband. Then she arose along with her daughters-in-law to return from the field of Moab, because while in the territory of Moab she had heard that the Lord had paid attention to his people by providing food for them. She left the place where she had been, and her two daughters-in-law went with her. They went along the road to return to the land of Judah. Naomi said to her daughters-in-law, "Go, turn back, each of you to the household of your mother. May the Lord deal faithfully with you, just as you have done with the dead and with me. May the Lord provide for you so that you may find security, each woman in the household of her husband." Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. But they replied to her, "No, instead we will return with you, to your people." Naomi replied, "Turn back, my daughters. Why would you go with me? Will there again be sons in my womb, that they would be husbands for you? Turn back, my daughters. Go. I am too old for a husband. If I were to say that I have hope, even if I had a husband tonight, and even more, if I were to bear sons-would you wait until they grew up? Would you refrain from having a husband? No, my daughters. This is more bitter for me than for you, since the Lord's will has come out against me." Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth stayed with her. Naomi said, "Look, your sister-in-law is returning to her people and to her gode. Turp beek ofter your gister in law," her gods. Turn back after your sister-in-law." But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to abandon you, to turn back from following after you. Wherever you go, I will go; and wherever you stay, I will stay. Your people will be my

people, and your God will be my God. Wherever you die, I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord do this to me and more so if even death separates me from you." When Naomi saw that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped speaking to her about it.

THEME READING

"... the reason life works at all is that not everyone in your tribe is nuts on the same day."

— Anne Lamott Plan B: Further Thoughts on Faith

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Dear Hate" Gabi - Michael - Moses By Maren Morris, Tom Douglas and David Hodges

SERMON

Last Full Measure of Devotion Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN

#324 For All The Faithful Women

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

Ashokan Farewell by Jay Ungar Jody Morrissette, Violin,; Aron Racho, Guitar

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

#44 Like a Mother Who Has Born Us

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

FELLOWSHIP