



Southminster Presbyterian Church

“A Christ-centered ... intentionally missional congregation ...”

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Celebration of Worship

June 16, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Prelude

Sonata 2
Felix Mendelssohn

Gretchen Franz

Kum Ba Yah
Arr. Don Roach

Women's Ensemble

Ringing of the Hour

Welcome

Fred Barnes

* Call to Worship

Leader: It is not difficult to be a beloved child of God.

People: We are called to obey God's commandments and live in righteousness with God's laws!

Leader: God ordains ways of peace and hope.

People: The love of God shall conquer the world.

Leader: Rejoice, O people of God, for God is near!

People: Praise God for His power and might, His love and peace. Amen.

* Hymn of Praise #476

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you call us to live in mystery,
to walk by faith;

Yet we long for plans with goals and schedules.

You call us to place our trust in you,
to live by your direction;

Yet we want life to make sense,
And make sense quickly.

You call us to embrace the mystery of life,
And to marvel at the power of your love.

It's not easy and sometimes we doubt.

Forgive us, for wanting to play god
instead of accepting our humanity. ...

(Moment of Silent Prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

* **Glory to God #579**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.

Anthem

Grant Us Thy Peace
Don Roach

Announcements

Doug Marshall

Hymn

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know, as He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee, saying, "Let them come to Me."
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Children's Message

The children will be dismissed for their own message and then return later in the service.

Scripture Lessons

Hosea 11:1-4
Luke 15:20-24

Jennifer Stampfel

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

"Are We There Yet?"

* **Hymn of Response #345**

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Suite Antique: Prelude
John Rutter

Barbara Hois, flute

* **Praise to God #592**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

*** Hymn of Dedication #391**

Take My Life

*** Charge and Benediction**

*** Postlude**

Come Christians, Join to Sing
M. Hayes, arr. D.E. Wagner

*** If you are able, please stand.**



With gratitude we welcome Gretchen Franz as our organist today.

Some of today's music was arranged or composed by Don Roach,
a long-time member of the Chancel Choir.

Welcome

If you are visiting with us this morning, WELCOME!
Please complete a CONNECT Card so we can be in touch with you.
Thank you for sharing Worship with us this morning.

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