

# Connection Card

November 24, 2019

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Stay informed:

- Sign me up for text messages and alerts
- Send me Michael's Musings Friday email
- Send me The Current bi-weekly E-News
- Send me Children and Youth weekly email

## I am a:

- First-time Guest
- Frequent Visitor
- Regular Attender

## Next Steps:

- Attend *Explore South Elkhorn*
- Find a group & join community

## I am ready to join the family of faith at South Elkhorn by:

- Confession of faith
- Re-affirmation of faith
- Transfer of church membership from \_\_\_\_\_

Please place card in offering plate or return to welcome center.

# Order of Worship

## Prelude

**Song** *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* CH2

## Call to Worship

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always! Again, I say rejoice!  
**All: Our Lord is good, and we are God's people!**  
Leader: God's love is everlasting!  
**All: We will come before God with thanksgiving and praise!**  
Leader: Give thanks to the Lord!  
**All: Bless God's holy name!**

## Welcome

**Song** *For the Beauty of the Earth* CH56

**Centering & Lord's Prayer** Rosemary Osborn

**Children's Moment** Holly Fuqua

**Sermon** *First Fruits* Michael Swartzentruber  
Deuteronomy 26:1-11

**Song** *In Remembrance of Me* CH403

## Communion

*Open Table: You are invited to partake of the bread as it is passed, and drink from the cup as you are ready. Gluten free communion is available in small cup on each tray.*

**Elders** Janet Connell, Jamie Crouch

**Generosity** Jody Greenlee

**Song** *Let All Things Now Living* CH717

## Benediction

## Postlude

† *Prayer list available in church foyer on glass table and online at [www.southelkhorncc.org/prayer-list](http://www.southelkhorncc.org/prayer-list).*

*\*Chalice Hymnals (CH) are located near the stairs at the back of the worship.*

## Deacons Serving

**Prepare & Serve** - Mike Benton, Patty May, Paley Conley

**Distribute & Serve** - Michael Lewis

**Serve & Clean** - Gary Murphy, Sarah Von Nieda, Isa Aldarondo



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*a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.*



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## Welcome!

We are an open table people. That means all are welcome here. No matter your past dilemmas or present challenges, no matter your age or race, no matter your gender or sexual orientation or political party: we want you to be creative, bold, generous, and make a difference. We hope God unleashes your passion and gifts because the world sorely needs them. We are eager for you to wonder, question, explore and grow. Most of all, we want to journey with you in the adventure of Christ's love. We are glad you're here!

*Michael Swartzentruber*  
Senior Minister

# November 24, 2019

## If you are a guest with us today

- We hope you feel at home here, so relax and be yourself.
- We would love to follow up with you. Please fill out and tear off the **Connection Card** to your right. You can place it in the offering plate during service or on the glass table in the foyer.
- Let us know how we can share more about our church, plug you in, and pray for you.

## Explore South Elkhorn

**Tonight • Room 108 • 5:00 PM**

Gathering of newcomers and curious souls. Meet the team, engage in conversation, and find your place in the church spiritual community. For more information or to RSVP, please fill out the connection card or contact the church office: [admin@southelkhorncc.org](mailto:admin@southelkhorncc.org).

## Children's Worship & Wonder

After the children's sermon, children age 3 to Grade 3 are invited to hear a sacred story, wonder about its meaning, & gather together for a feast (rooms 203 & 209).

## Nursery

Nursery is available for children ages 6 weeks to two years during Sunday School & worship (rooms 214 & 215).

# Life Together

## Inspire

Your giving is a spiritual act that inspires Christ's deeper way of love. Fill out a giving card or email [finance@southelkhorncc.org](mailto:finance@southelkhorncc.org) by December 1.

## Finding Freedom through Friendship

**Today • Christian Ministry Center • Following Service**

Finding Freedom through Friendship (FFF) is a Lexington based nonprofit working with abandoned women in Guatemala and Egypt. South Elkhorn has a long-term relationship with FFF and has supported the organization's efforts through Outreach and Martha Circle financial gifts. Finding Freedom brings back Fair Trade crafts from their respective countries: some of these items will be available for sale. This is an opportunity to do some Christmas shopping while supporting the needs of fragile families in two continents.

## All Church Christmas Breakfast

**Saturday • December 7 • 9:00 AM • Christian Ministry Center**

Come take pictures with Santa and eat a delicious breakfast hosted by the men's group. Everyone is invited to this all church event. Sign up on the whiteboard or email church office at [admin@southelkhorncc.org](mailto:admin@southelkhorncc.org).

## The Compassionate Friends Service

**Sunday • December 8 • 6:00 PM • Historic Sanctuary**

Meet at 6:00 PM and program starts at 6:30 PM. Bring a picture for the memory table and a dessert to share. All family and friends are welcome. If you can't join us, please light your own candle at 7:00 PM, and imagine the wave of light circling the earth.

## Worship & Wonder Training

**Sunday • December 15 • 11:30 AM • Room 211**

We are seeking volunteers to serve as greeters and storytellers for Worship & Wonder. Please let one of the coordinators know or sign up on the whiteboard in the foyer. The time commitment is minimal as you will only serve a few Sundays a year but you will be blessed by the time spent with the children! Any returning greeter looking for a refresher course or parents interested in learning our theology and procedures are welcome to attend as well.



## This Sunday

### First Fruits

Deuteronomy 26:1-11  
Michael Swartzentruber

## Next Week:

### Watch for the Light

Isaiah 2:2-5  
Holly Fuqua



Listen to messages online at [southelkhorncc.org/sermons](http://southelkhorncc.org/sermons), or find on your favorite podcast site as *South Elkhorn Christian Church Sermons*.

# Children & Youth

**Tiny Tots** (Age 3 - Pre K), **Children** (Grades K - 5), **Youth** (Grades 6 - 12)

## Please note dates for holidays:

**Tonight** - No evening activities

**December 8**, Following Worship until 1:00 PM - Lunch and Christmas Party for Tiny Tots, Children and Youth (in place of evening activities)

**December 15**, 9:00 AM - Happy Birthday to Jesus Party! (This is in the place of Sunday School)

**December 15, 22, and 29** - No evening activities

**December 22 and 29** - No Sunday School

**January 5** - Sunday School and evening activities resume

# Prayer List

## New this Week

*Our love and prayers to Matt Gibbs and family. Matt's wife Betty died November 16.*

The Weiss Family

## Church Family

Evelyn Cartmill	Liz Short
Layne Crouch	Gene Simounet
Matt Gibbs	Velda Staggs
Patty May	Herb Stamper
David Perron	Grace Webb
Zach Pickard	Jean Wilson
Phyllis Rohlf	Jim Wilson
Todd Sackett	Peter Woollam
Agnes Sandford	

*Full prayer list available online at [Southelkhorncc.org/prayer-list](http://Southelkhorncc.org/prayer-list)*

## Christmas Poinsettia Orders



During the Christmas season, we extend an invitation to you to honor or remember your loved one(s) by placing a poinsettia in the Christian Ministry Center. The cost is \$10 each. Please complete and return the form in the offering plate by Sunday, December 1.

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

Number ordered: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Our Staff

*Michael Swartzentruber*  
Senior Minister

*Holly Fuqua*  
Associate Minister

*Kyla Burkhardt*  
Lead Children's Coordinator

*Chris Weiss*  
Music Minister

*Diana Vetter Moore*  
Music Associate

*Allison Colvin*  
Pianist

**Nursery:**  
Elizabeth Yates, Sydney Wilcoxson, & Sarah Green

*Kim Skidmore*  
Little Elks Director

*Alyssa Parrett*  
Youth Ministry Intern

*Stasia Kruse*  
Administrator

**Children's Coordinators:**  
Danielle Evans, Aly Partain, Andres Caban, & Rocky Dahnon