

Southminster Presbyterian Church

Social Justice Book Discussion Selections August through October, 2023

Meets monthly usually on the third Friday from 10:00 to 11:30 AM in the church Adult Lounge. Enter through door 13.

August 18 *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan

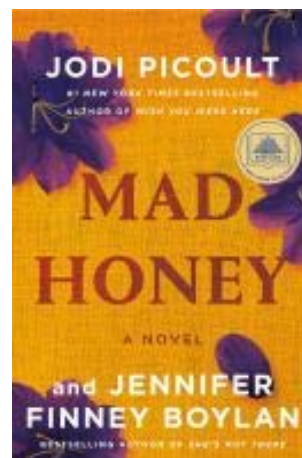
It is 1985 in a small Irish town. During the weeks leading up to Christmas, Bill Furlong, a coal merchant and family man faces into his busiest season. Early one morning, while delivering an order to the local convent, Bill makes a discovery which forces him to confront both his past and the complicit silences of a town controlled by the church.

September 15 *Fighting Words* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Ten-year-old Della has always had her older sister, Suki: When their mom went to prison, Della had Suki. When their mom's boyfriend took them in, Della had Suki. When that same boyfriend did something so awful they had to run *fast*, Della had Suki. Suki is Della's own wolf--her protector. But who has been protecting Suki when she attempts suicide.

October 20 *Mad Honey* by Jodi Picoult

Olivia McAfee knows what it feels like to start over. Her picture-perfect life—living in Boston, married to a brilliant cardiothoracic surgeon, raising their beautiful son, Asher—was upended when her husband revealed a darker side. She never imagined that she would end up back in her sleepy New Hampshire hometown, living in the house she grew up in and taking over her father's beekeeping business. Explores transgender relationships.



Everyone is welcome to these book discussions.

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