

Good Samaritan welcomes and affirms all persons regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, race or socioeconomic background. We seek to reconcile any differences that divide us.

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Email cindy@good.org to receive the weekly e-news.

Prayer Chain

Email jim@good.org for prayer requests or to receive the weekly prayer chain email.

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Thank you... Usher: Janet VanBenthuysen. AV Tech: Jeff Jelen. Liturgist: Rev. Jim Beard. Special Music: Chancel Choir; Carey Shunskis and Rev. Max Richter, cantors.

Communion Servers: Jane Heimerl, Pat Olson.

WORSHIP 7:00 PM

March 5, 2025 Ash Wednesday

Our Vision

Inspiring Joyful Faith

Building a Loving Community

Serving Neighbors Near and Far

Today's Scripture Psalm 51:1-17: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21







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WELCOME !

available for ages 6 weeks-

Large print hymnals and available from the ushers.

Hearing assist devices are available at the sound booth.

supporting our Offering plates are available by the Sanctuary doors as you exit or scan this QR code to give



Please join us for coffee and donut holes in the Fellowship Hall

PRELUDE

Erik Satif Gymnopédie No. 1 "Amazing Grace" ARR. CAROL TORNQUIST

GREETING & WELCOME

LITANY FOR LENT Rev. Jim Beard One: In the softness of evening, in the solace of silence we come to you, O Lord.

All: We come for acceptance; we come for community; we come for forgiveness and love.

In the serenity of day's end,

in the restfulness of worship, we come to you O Lord. We come to you for respite; we come to you for comfort we come to you for forgiveness and love.

SONG "Nothing Can Trouble" FWS 2054 sing 2x

We come, O Lord of Light, seeking the illumination of your Word.

We come for the path we can't find; we come for the life we don't have. We come to you for our lives are death and you alone have breath and being.

SONG	"O Lord, Hear My Prayer" sing 2x	FWS 2200
SCRIPTURE	Psalm 51:1-17; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-2	1 (NRSVUE)

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Ave Regina caelorum" ANTONIO I OTTI

Ave, Regina caelorum, Hail, O Queen of Heaven. Ave, Domina Angelorum: Salve, radix, salve, porta Ex qua mundo lux est orta:

Hail, O Lady of Angels Hail! thou root, hail! thou gate From whom unto the world a light has arisen:

Gaude, Virgo gloriosa, Super omnes speciosa, Vale, o valde decora, Et pro nobis Christum exora. Rejoice, O glorious Virgin, Lovely beyond all others, Farewell, most beautiful maiden, And pray for us to Christ.

Rev. Max Richter MEDITATION "Return to God with All Your Heart"

OFFERING OF PRAYERS/CONFESSION

All may come forward to offer a prayer of release. What do you want to let go of this Lent? Online participants may tear paper to be discarded or safely burned at home.

"Clair de lune"

"Pie Jesu"

Music During Prayers

Gabrifi Fauré ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION/IMPOSITION OF ASHES

The Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord's Prayer

Our God*, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. (*Mother, Father, Creator, etc. - use the word that is most meaningful for you.)

Receiving the Elements

The body of Christ, given for you. Amen or Alleluia. The cup of the New Covenant, poured for you. Amen or Alleluia.

After you receive communion, you are invited to receive the sign of the cross on your forehead or hand as we remember the gift of our mortality.

Music During Distribution	"Come, Ye Disconsolate"	arr. Myra Schubert
	(see UMH 510 for text)	





BLESSING

- One: Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return. All: Let the memory of your incomplete humanity awaken you to the wonders, joys, sorrows, and pain of life. Let the ashes you wear be the ashes of transformation;
- of awakening to the beauty and love of seizing the moment and living it to the fullest.
- Let it be said of you that here in this little part of eternity that you lived fully, loved extravagantly and belood humanity evolve into all that Cod dreamed we
- and helped humanity evolve into all that God dreamed we can be!
- You are fearfully and wonderfully made
- in the image of the ONE who is was and ever more shall be Creator, Christ and Spirit ONE. Amen.

POSTLUDE

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

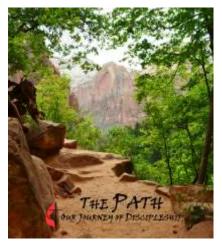
arr. Vitor Labenske

Good Sam Happenings You're in a GOOD place to ... connect, grow, worship ...

Lenten Small Groups "The Path: Our Journey of Discipleship"

"The Path" is a 6-session series that empowers you to be honest, to explore, to experiment, and to take a step or two forward on your journey of discipleship.

Groups will be meeting Sunday after church starting at 11:15 a.m., and Wednesdays starting at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Sessions will begin this Sunday, March 9 and Wednesday March 12 and go for 6 weeks. Go to tinyurl.com/GSThePath or use the QR code right away for further information and to get registered. For the sake of confidentiality and trust-building, no new people will be



added to groups after these dates. May your path be ever moving you closer to Christ!

Lenten Book Study for Care Givers

The Hopeful Family: Raising Resilient Children in Uncertain Times Wednesdays, March 12-April 16, 6:00pm, Room 201

Raise hopeful, grounded, and action-oriented children in a time that feels full of uncertainty. The Hopeful Family is the guidebook for parents who are building a life of meaning and hope even in a time of unease. Readers will be reminded of the hope that is part of the Christian story and find both inspiration and evidence to step more fully into a framework of abundance and optimism. Sign up at tinyurl.com/GSHopeful. Contact Jan at jan@good.org with questions.



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Blessing: written by Pastor Dawn and posted on *pastordawn*. http://pastordawn.com/tag/ash-wednesday-progressive -christian-benediction/.

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Join us for Sunday morning worship at 10:00am in person or online. You are welcome here!

Holy Neek at Good Samaritan



10:00 a.m. Palm/Passion service with Chancel Chimes and **Chancel Choir**

From the palm processional to the beginning of Jesus' final journey toward the cross, we begin Holy Week together.



Thursday, April 17

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday service with Holy Communion We remember Jesus' last night with his disciples around the table.

Friday, April 18



Good Friday Worship will include our tradition of a special online film experience, featuring the practices of Visio Divina ("Holy Seeing"), Lectio Divina ("Holy Reading"), and music. We're also offering an additional self-guided stations component for those who can attend in-person on Good Friday (hours TBA).

Sunday, April 20



Easter Morning Sunrise Online Service 10:00 a.m. Easter Festival Worship with Chancel Choir and Brass Ensemble

11:00 a.m. Fellowship time with full-size donuts! Please note there is one in-person Easter service this year.



Healthy Communication Refresher Course



Do you ever find yourself wondering how best to navigate challenging conversations, whether in personal or professional situations?

Each time a congregation begins a new appoint-

ment, the Annual Conference offers training in the Rule of Christ model of healthy communication. We'll review conflict skills, including avoidance of triangles and direct discourse based on Jesus' teachings.

Retired clergy John Mueller Nowell will lead us on Tuesday, March 25:

- 5:00-5:30 Light dinner (RSVP to church office, at tinyurl.com/ GSRuleofChrist or with QR code by Wednesday, March 19)
- 5:30-7:30 Training during Church Council open to everyone



• 7:30-8:30 Staff Parish Relations training

March is Minnesota Food Share Month



We will pack Express Bags for VEAP and Joyce Uptown Food Shelves on Sunday, March 23 after the service to assist those in dire need of food. How can you help?

BEFORE March 23:

- Check your pantry for food items you haven't used and that are not past their expiration date or add items to your shopping list.
- Bring them to church on March 9 and 16.
- Too heavy to carry in? We'll meet you at the upstairs door to unload your car on those days!

Items needed for each bag: cans of veggies (not green beans), cans of fruit, cans or packages of a protein, bags of rice and pasta (not mac and cheese).

ON March 23 - Come into the Fellowship Room after the church service and help pack the bags.

Questions? Reach out to Janet VanBenthuysen of the Missions Team at jv.pandora@gmail.com.