



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

Find us on:



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WORSHIP
10:00 AM

April 12, 2026
Easter 2

Our Vision

Inspiring
Joyful Faith

Building a
Loving
Community

Serving
Neighbors
Near and Far

Today's
Scripture
Psalm 16
John 20:19-31



Who we are.

What we do.



Good Samaritan United Methodist Church

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WELCOME !

Nursery care is available for ages 6 weeks-3 years.

Large print hymnals and bulletins are available from the ushers.

Hearing assist devices are available at the sound booth.

Thank you for supporting our ministries!
Offering plates are available by the Sanctuary doors as you exit or scan this QR code to give securely online.



Please join us for refreshments in Aldersgate Hall after worship.

*Standing or sitting.

PRELUDE

GREETING & WELCOME

*SONG

“Love Has Come”

MATTHEW WEST, BROWN BANNISTER, SAM MIZELL, MARK SCHULTZ

I know this life is filled with sorrow
and there are days when the pain just lasts and lasts.
But I know there will come a day
when all our tears are washed away.
With a break in the clouds,
His glory coming down and in that moment.

Chorus: Every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess that God is love
and love has come for us all.
Every heart set free,
everyone will see that God is love
and love has come for us all.

To anybody who has ever lost a loved one
and you feel like you had to let go too soon.
I know it hurts to say goodbye
but don't you know it's just a matter of time
'til the tears are gonna end.
You see them once again and in that moment. **Chorus**

Oh, and on that day we will stand amazed
at our Savior, God and King!
Just to see the face of amazing grace,
as our hearts rise up and sing.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Thank you for the cross!
Singin' glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Christ has paid the cost! (Repeat) **Chorus**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather as people on a journey.

All: We believe and we have doubts.

We do good and we sin.

We are imperfect humans, and still beloved by God.

Love and grace. Hope and faith.

These are the essence of the One we call God.

We seek forgiveness & grace from the One and from those we've harmed.

Assured of that grace, we are ready to grow again.

We yearn for a new way, a new perspective, and a clear path.

Though we are full of trust and full of doubt, we are here.

Speak to us, God!

Continue creating us!

Inspire our hearts.

Enlighten our minds. Guide our actions. Amen.

HYMN

“Blessed Assurance”

UMH 369

CHILDREN'S TIME

Jan Russell

After Children's Time, children are invited to Sunday School in 200.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Beautiful Things”

MICHAEL GUNGOR, LISA GUNGOR

All this pain
I wonder if I'll ever find my way
I wonder if my life could really change at all

All this earth
Could all that is lost ever be found
Could a garden come up from this ground at all?

Chorus: You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of the dust
You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of us

All around
Hope is springing up from this old ground
Out of chaos life is being found in You **Chorus**

SCRIPTURE Psalm 16; John 20:19-31 (NRSVUE)
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "Cherish Your Doubts" Rev. Max Richter

*SONG "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"
JOHN NEWTON, CHRIS TOMLIN, LOUIE GIGLIO

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
the hour I first believed.

Chorus: My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood his mercy rains,
unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures. **Chorus 2x**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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.)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

*SONG "You Never Let Go" MATT REDMAN, BETH REDMAN

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
your perfect love is casting out fear.
And even when I'm caught in the middle of the storms of this life,
I won't turn back, I know you are near.

Chorus: And I will fear no evil, for my God is with me,
and if my God is with me, whom then shall I fear?
Whom then shall I fear?
Oh no, you never let go, through the calm and through the storm.
Oh no, you never let in every high and every low.
Oh no, you never let go, Lord, you never let go of me.

And I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on,
a glorious light beyond all compare.
And there will be an end to these troubles, but until that day comes,
we'll live to know you here on the earth. **Chorus**

Yes, I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on,
and there will be an end to these troubles, but until that day comes,
still I will praise you, still I will praise you. **Chorus 2x**

*BLESSING

The psalmist says,
"I am sure I shall see the goodness of our God
in the land of the living.
Wait for the Lord; be strong,
and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!"
Know that you do not wait alone.

**God has given us one another for this journey of faith,
to help one another.**

Know that you do not wait alone;

Christ is with us.

Be encouraged,

and encourage one another.

Go and share the Good News. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Call to Worship: written by Tim Graves and posted on LiturgyBits. <https://liturgybits.wordpress.com>

<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/search/label/Easter%202020Year%20A>

Blessing: written by Rev. Mindi and posted on Rev-o-lution. <http://rev-o-lution.org/>

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Good Sam Happenings

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

Office Hours

As we ramp down the extra office hours after the merger, Cindy will now be in the office weekdays from **9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.** for the next three months. Starting July 1, the normal office hours of 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. will resume.



Peace Garden Orientation and Planning Meeting

The church gardens are eager to give gardeners their annual Spring creative gardening fix! Please join us on **Sunday, April 19, directly after the church service**, in the Lower Lobby, to get familiar with the different church garden areas and plan the planting of annuals. We are very much looking forward to fresh ideas! For more information, call/text Steve Schultz (612-212-3056) or Mary Lach (612-860-3233).

MRC Spring Social



The Minnesota Reconciling Congregations (MRC) Spring Social will be on **Saturday, April 18, 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity UMC in Prior Lake.** Our own Max Richter will be part of a panel discussion on “Welcoming LGBTQIA+ Clergy to Your Congregation” following a potluck lunch. Watch for a sign-up to carpool to Prior Lake in the Narthex.

Wesley/Neon Celebration at Good Samaritan Thursday, May 7, 6:00-8:00 p.m. with Homeward Bound

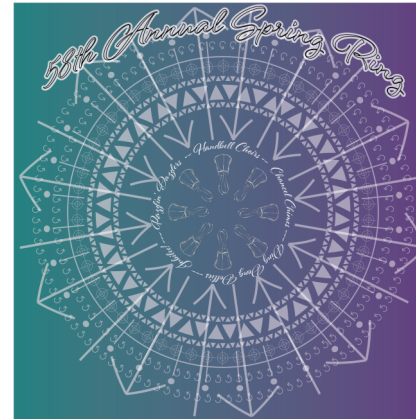
The Wesley Foundation invites you to our annual dinner to celebrate the stories, students, and supporters who make Neon - their campus ministry at the University of Minnesota - possible. Your generosity has created a community that's colorful, bright, and new because of Jesus. They will cater dinner with vegetarian and gluten-free options. Join them for incredible food, live music with our own Homeward Bound, and a year's worth of heartwarming stories from students.

Please RSVP at form.jotform.com/neons/wesleycelebration by Friday, May 1.

Tuesday Bible Study Spring Luncheon

Tuesday Bible Study invites you to the annual Spring Luncheon on **Tuesday, May 5, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., in the Fireside Room.** Please come to this informal gathering to catch up with friends, make new ones, and visit with staff who can be there. There is no cost. Please RSVP to Lynn Timmer (timmerlynn@gmail.com).

Spring Ring Handbell Concert



On **Sunday, April 26 at 4:00 p.m.**, the Good Samaritan handbell choirs will perform in the 58th annual Spring Ring concert. The concert showcases the musical talents of all four of the Good Samaritan handbell groups, with solos rung by each choir and massed songs with all groups ringing together. We welcome you to come hear the Chancel Chimes, the community group Ding Dong Dollies, Jubilee!, and the Razzlin' Dazzlers quartet performing together. During the concert, there will be a no-stress opportunity for audience ringing where you can give handbells a try. Following the concert, you are welcome to a \$5/person appetizer and dessert smorgasbord to dine and mingle with the ringers. We hope to see you there!

Spring Social with Homeward Bound

Join us for the 3rd annual Spring Social – **Friday, May 1, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in Aldersgate Hall.** Our Homeward Bound band hosts this event with special guests joining them. Enjoy a variety of desserts, coffee, tea, and lemonade. A free-will offering will support the music ministries of our church.



Sign up in the Narthex, scan the QR code, or go to tinyurl.com/GSSpringSocial2026 to register to attend, to contribute desserts, or to volunteer to help in the kitchen.

