



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:



Thank you...

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Liturgist: Jane Heimerl
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Nursery: Mary Hinz, Shelley Scharping
Fellowship Host: Caroline Carlin, Janet VanBenthuyzen

WORSHIP
10:00 AM

April 19, 2026
Easter 3

Our Vision

Inspiring
Joyful Faith

Building a
Loving
Community

Serving
Neighbors
Near and Far

Today's
Scripture

Psalm 116:1-4,
12-19
Luke 24:13-35

GOOD SAMARITAN

Who we are. What we do.



The Road to Emmaus by He Qi



Good Samaritan United Methodist Church
5730 Grove Street, Edina, Minnesota 55436
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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 Choral Chaconne on MIT FREUDEN ZART JAMES BIERY

GREETING & WELCOME

*HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" UMH 327

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O God, you come to us in unexpected places

All: In isolation, behind closed doors

On dusty roads, as we go from place to place
In video chats with friends and telephone conversations with loved ones.

You come bringing us peace, where there is no peace

You come bringing us hope when everything seems hopeless

You come bringing us courage when we are afraid.

Come and be among us now, in every place where we are.

Open our eyes to see you, open our hearts to know you.

In the name of the Risen Christ we pray. Amen.

HYMN "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH 454

CHILDREN'S TIME Jan Russell

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

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

SPECIAL MUSIC "And the Father Will Dance" MARK HAYES

SCRIPTURE Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19; Luke 24:13-35 (NRSVUE)

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "On the Road" Rev. Max Richter

*HYMN

"Christ Is Alive"

UMH 318

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

*HYMN "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" UMH 133

*BLESSING

One: May God, who comes to us in the things of this world,

All: bless our eyes and be in our seeing.

May Christ, who looks upon us with deepest love,

bless our eyes and widen our gaze.

May the Spirit, who perceives what is and what may yet be,

bless our eyes and sharpen our vision.

May the Sacred Three bless our eyes and cause us to see.

*POSTLUDE

"Psalm 19"

BENEDETTO MARCELLO

Call to Worship: submitted by Ann Harbridge, DLM, Minister at Trinity Centennial United Church in Rosemont, Ontario. <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/search/label/Easter%203%20Year%20A>

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Good Sam Happenings

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

TODAY! Peace Garden Orientation and Planning Meeting

The church gardens are eager to give gardeners their annual Spring creative gardening fix! Please join **directly after worship today**, 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).



TODAY! ASP Mission Trip Class

Those going on this summer's ASP Mission Trip will gather at **6:30 p.m.** for **Culture and Sensitivity Training in the Community Room**. The balance of the registration cost is also due. More details about the trip can be found at good.org/event/appalachia-service-project-asp.

Cindy Falkenberg's Celebration of Life

Next Saturday, April 25, 11:00 a.m. at Good Samaritan. A Celebration Party will follow at 1:00 p.m. at the Edina West Condominiums Party Rooms 1 & 2, 6085 Lincoln Dr, Edina.

Spring Ring Handbell Concert



Next 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!



Feed My Starving Children

Join the group at Feed My Starving Children for meal packing at the Chanhassen location on Friday, April 24, 7:15-8:45 p.m. Contact Jane Heimerl at jane.heimerl@yahoo.com by Wednesday to sign up.

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.



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).

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

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

The Wesley Foundation invites you to their 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. Dinner will be catered by Soul Bowl 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. Neon has recently achieved a milestone of connecting with 1,000 students in the past school year. **Life can be busy, but we promise you will leave with more hope and a bigger heart for the next generation.**



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