



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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### E-News

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.



Find us on:

### Thank you...

**Ushers:** Jane Heimerl, Janet VanBenthuyssen  
**AV Tech:** Brad Carlin, Noemi Dooley  
**Liturgist:** Vicki Dunn  
**Special Music:** Chancel Choir  
**Nursery:** Julie Kang, Shelly Kang  
**Fellowship Hosts:** Dave Knutson, JoAnn Knutson

**WORSHIP**  
**10:00 AM**

May 31, 2026

### Our Vision

Inspiring  
Joyful Faith

Building a  
Loving  
Community

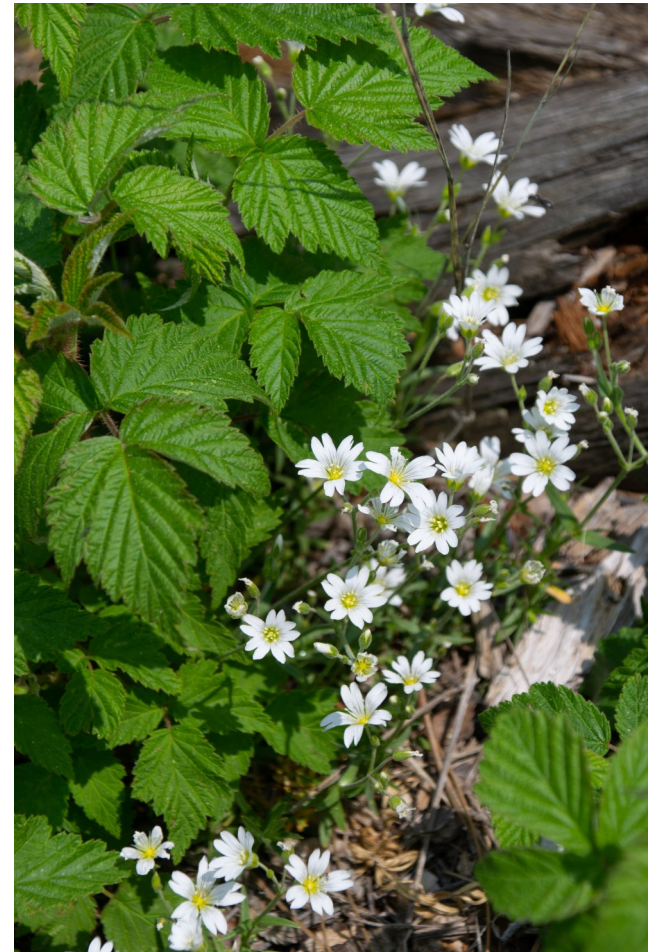
Serving  
Neighbors  
Near and Far

Today's  
Scripture

Psalm 8  
2 Corinthians 13:11-13  
Matthew 28:16-20



*Who we are. What we do.*



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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 "Canticle" CHARLES CALLAHAN

GREETING & WELCOME

\*HYMN "All Creatures of Our God and King" (vs. 1-3) UMH 62

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us worship the Triune God.

All: Let us worship the One

**who spoke in the beginning and created something out of nothing.**

Let us worship the Triune God.

**Let us worship the One**

**who took on the clothing of humanity to set those who were oppressed free.**

Let us worship the Triune God.

**Let us worship the One**

**whose Spirit rests continually upon us, calling us from sorrow-filled endings to bright new beginnings.**

HYMN "All Creatures of Our God and King" (vs. 4-5) UMH 62

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 "Peace I Leave with You" WALTER L. PELZ

SCRIPTURE Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13;

Matthew 28: 16-20 (NRSVUE)

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE "With You Always" Rev. Max Richter

\*HYMN "Guide My Feet" (vs. 1-3) FWS 2208

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 "Guide My Feet" (vs. 4-6) FWS 2208

\*BLESSING

One: Just as God's Word was sent into the world to heal and redeem,

so God sends you into the world this day

to be light and love, healing and hope.

Go now to be light for the world!

And may the grace and peace of God the Creator,

the Redeemer, and the Sustainer

come upon you this day

and remain with you always. Amen.

\*POSTLUDE Fanfare from *The Danserye* TYLMAN SUSATO

**Call to Worship:** from Watch Night Service 2016, written by Rev. J. Lee Hill, Senior Pastor, Christian Fellowship Congregational UCC of San Diego. Posted on the Worship Ways page of the United Church of Christ website. [http://www.ucc.org/worship\\_worship-ways](http://www.ucc.org/worship_worship-ways). <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/search/label/Trinity%20Sunday>

**Blessing:** taken from "O Merciful God: God of Wisdom: Prayers for the Fourth Sunday in Lent," written by Rev. Kathryn Matthews Huey and the Rev. Susan A. Blain. Posted on the United Church of Christ's Worship Ways website.

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# Good Sam Happenings

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



## Vacation Bible Camp June 15-18, 9:00 a.m.-noon

We will be partnering with Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran again! Jan is looking for volunteers for snacks, science station, set creation, Friday cleanup, recreation leader, and group guides. Setup for VBC will be on



Sunday, June 14, following worship and the Meets & Eats lunch. Breakdown will be on Thursday, June 18, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. We would love your help! Contact Jan with questions - jan@good.org.

- Volunteer and Participant registration: the QR code or at [tinyurl.com/GSVBC2026](https://tinyurl.com/GSVBC2026).
- To donate snacks: [tinyurl.com/VBC2026Snacks](https://tinyurl.com/VBC2026Snacks)
- To donate set decorations: [tinyurl.com/VBC2026Set](https://tinyurl.com/VBC2026Set)

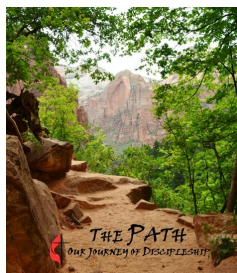
## Church Conference

A church conference congregational meeting will be held on **Sunday, June 14, following worship (correction from newsletter)** to approve the nominated leadership list for the 2026-27 program year. Church Leadership terms run on the Annual Conference year of 7/1 to 6/30. Contact Pastor Max if you'd like to be involved on a committee.



## The Path: Our Journey of Discipleship

The Path is a 6-session series that empowers you to be honest, to explore, to experiment. Each session opens up a different United Methodist practice to help empower your spiritual growth and vitality.



Small groups of 8-10 people will meet throughout the summer. Timing is flexible, as is location. Use the QR code or go to [tinyurl.com/GSThePath2](https://tinyurl.com/GSThePath2) for further information and to get started. Contact Pastor Jim with questions - jim@good.org or 952-452-9396.



## Conference Love Offering

This year's Minnesota Annual Conference Love Offering will go to Midwest Mission, Love Boldly Mental Health Ministries Grants, the

Endowment for Ministerial Education, the Minnesota Conference's Emergency Response Fund, and Volunteers in Mission (VIM) Scholarships.

Ways to give:

- Make out a check to Good Samaritan UMC with "Love Offering" in the memo line.
- You can give online at [good.org/give](https://good.org/give). Select the Fund "Financial Gift" and type "Love Offering" in the "Gift For:" box that pops up. We will send a single check to the Annual Conference Session.
- Give online directly at [minnesotaumc.org/loveoffering](https://minnesotaumc.org/loveoffering).
- Or you may mail a check to Minnesota UMC, 122 W. Franklin Ave., Suite 400, Minneapolis, MN 55404. Be sure to put "Love Offering" in the memo line.

Donations through Good Samaritan should be received **by next Sunday, June 8.**

## Summertime Meets & Eats



Let's get together this summer, have a picnic, meet some new friends, and simply enjoy being God's family! Plan to stay after worship on the

second Sunday of each month this summer and join the fun. The intent is to keep building the relationships among our Aldersgate folks, our Good Samaritan families, and any other new faces who have been coming through our doors. A simple cookout will be provided; something interactive will be offered to help build community around each table; and of course, ice cream treats will be on hand! Freewill offerings will be accepted to cover costs; no pre-registration will be necessary; all ages will be welcome. What do you need to do? It would be great if you could lend a hand or bring food to one or more of the gatherings. Use the QR code, go to [tinyurl.com/GSSummertime](https://tinyurl.com/GSSummertime), or use the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Contact Pastor Jim with questions - jim@good.org or 952-452-9396.

**Our first gathering will be on Sunday, June 14.**

