



The Herald

GOOD SAMARITAN
United Methodist Church



December 2019

Important Dates

DECEMBER

- ◆ For **THREE** Wed. Dec 4,11,18 6PM –soup-then Adult & Children Advent Bible Study
- TRUSTEES MEETING
Thur. Dec. 5th @ 7:00 PM
- ◆ Sat. Dec. 7th @ noon
Women’s Group Christmas party at Dukie’s
- ◆ Sun. Dec 8th –following 10AM service Church Christmas party
- ◆ WOMEN’S GROUP MTG.
Thurs. Dec. 12th 6PM
- ◆ Sat. Dec 14 Feed My Starving Children mission -
- ◆ Sun. Dec 15 5PM Simbang Gabi
- ◆ FINANCE/CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING
Tues. Dec. 17 @ 6:30PM
- ◆ Sun. Dec 22 Christmas Cantata during 10AM service
- ◆ Tues. Dec 24 Christmas Eve service 7PM

WEEKLY

- ADULT BIBLE STUDY
Sundays @ 8:30 AM
- Children’s Sunday school 9AM
- WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAYS 10 A..M.

From the Pastor

December comes to us. Where does the time go? It is time for us to reflect on 2019 and anticipate 2020. Looking back on this year, there might have been troubles, hardships, and distress that we’ve experienced. But the old has gone. The new is to come. Both the old and the new are from God. So as Paul insists in 2 Corinthians, we are a new creation if we are in Christ Jesus. As a new creation, we thank God on the stormy days as well as on the beautiful days.

December is the season of Advent. Advent is a time of preparation for the celebration of Jesus’ birth. The word “advent” comes from the Latin word *advenire*, which means “coming” or “arrival.” It means that God comes to the world through the birth of Jesus. So in the season of Advent, we wait for the birth of Jesus Christ with joyful hearts. This is why December is a time of anticipation.

Here is the list of ministries and events that will happen in December at Good Samaritan UMC.

On Sunday, December 1, we begin the Advent season with communion.

On the three consecutive Wednesdays of Advent: December 4, 11, and 18, join us for “A Family Wednesday.” Our church will offer a three-week study you won’t want to miss: “The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem” written by Adam Hamilton. All family members including adults and children will start with soup at 6 pm and continue with Bible study. In this study, we will follow the footsteps of Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and the others who journeyed with Christ. Please let the office know if you’d like to join us.

On December 8 our Annual Christmas party is following worship service with a Singalong and the Children’s Christmas Play at 3PM..

Please mark your calendar and get your families and friends to come and help on **Saturday, December 14** from 9:00 am to 11: 00 am for a “packing session.” The seven churches of the Salt Creek Cluster are putting together a joint mission project for the Advent season, and we want to fill all **100** spots at “Feed My Starving Children” at their Schaumburg location (**740 Wiley Farm Ct, Schaumburg, IL 60173**) with adults, youth, and children. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex!

On December 22, our beloved choir will perform the Christmas cantata “Have You Heard?” which is a Celtic Christmas Celebration written by Joel Raney.

We offer our traditional Candlelight Christmas Eve service at 7 pm on Tuesday, December 24.

Peace and Grace,
Pastor Sang

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DBSA

Dual Diagnosis Support Group Every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

DBSA is a support group where you will find comfort and direction in a confidential and supportive setting, and where you can make a difference in the lives of others. This group is not group therapy or a substitute for professional care, however, many of the chapters have professional advisors from the community. This is more of a caring and sharing type of group. The DBSA Dual Diagnosis Support Group meets weekly below the Sanctuary on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.



Depression and Bipolar
Support Alliance

Sunrise Montessori Academy

The Sunrise Montessori Academy is a state-licensed program for **children ages 3-6**, Sunrise offers an educational and caring environment Monday-Friday.



For more information on enrollment, contact Inderjit Singh at (630)628-9000.

Al-Anon

Family Group Every Monday at 7:45 p.m.

Al-Anon is a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who believe their lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. The Serenity Time AFG meets weekly in Fellowship Hall on Mondays at 7:45 p.m. Please pray for the leaders and participants of this support group.



Alcoholics Anonymous

Every Monday at 8:00 p.m.

A weekly meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous is held below the Sanctuary on Mondays at 8:00 p.m. If you or



someone you know needs support for their recovery, the Sunshine Group is a 12-step group meeting that is open to all seeking recovery.



Come join us at Sunday School!
Every Sunday at 9:00,
we're learning about Loving God
and our neighbors.

DEEP BLUE Loving God,
Loving Neighbor

Join us as a family Wednesdays in December

The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem

A simple girl

An ordinary man

An unforgettable destination

Beginning Wednesday, December 4, our church will offer a three-week Advent Bible study you won't want to miss: "The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem." We'll begin each evening with soup for dinner, then divide into adult and children's groups. This is a special opportunity for families to all participate as we prepare for Christmas. In the study, Adam Hamilton travels with us from Nazareth to Bethlehem in this fascinating look at the birth of Jesus Christ. Using historical information, archaeological findings, and personal reflections, Hamilton illuminates this most amazing moment in history. We follow the footsteps of Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and others, gaining insight into our own journeys with Christ.

Join us with your whole family as we walk with Mary and Joseph to their joyous destination. Dinner will begin each evening at 6:00, with the program following.

December Birthdays

missed your day Let us know

Date	Name
1	Te'Anna Peoples
6	Murray Williams
8	Mary Spence
10	Noli Manglicmot
14	Debbie Hickman
19	Janet Reinhart
21	Karen Sharp
24	Gene Campbell
25	Joel de Guzman
29	Hedy Campbell
29	Justin Delawder
31	Joe Daniello Jr.
31	Bonnie Jones
31	Sarah Torres-DeStefano

F.A.C.E

**(Feeding Addison Children Enough)
program serving**

District 4 & Addison Trail HS

Thank you to everyone that has

helped to make the F.A.C.E.

**program successful for this school
year. We are currently packing 198
bags each week. Please continue to
pray for our children and know that
you are making a difference in their
lives.**

Hungry children can not learn

Please join us on Saturday, December 14th
at "FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN"
740 Wiley Farm Ct. in
Schaumburg.

We will be volunteering at the 9-11 AM time slot.
Meeting





- ♦ Dec. 1st-First Sun. of Advent 10AM Service
- ♦ Dec. 4th ,11th,18th Wed. 6PM-Advent Bible Study-
The Journey—Walking the Road to Bethlehem
- ♦ Dec. 7th-Woman's Group Christmas party –noon –grab bag
At Dukie's please RSVP –ASAP so we can get a count-
- ♦ Dec. 8th-Second Sun. of Advent-10AM service
(Gifts from Gift Tags due)
Christmas Party after service-pot luck-white elephant,
Fun, Sing-A-Long-3PM Christmas Play
- ♦ Dec 14th Sat. 9-11AM—Mission Feed My Starving Children*
- ♦ Dec 15th-3rd Sun. of Advent 10 AM service
5PM–Simbang Gabi-fellowship & meal to follow
- ♦ Dec 22nd-4th Sun. of Advent 10AM service
Christmas Cantata during service
- ♦ Dec 24th-Tues– Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7PM

****Jan 26th-Sunday-fellowship fun-bowling call for details**

Stitch and Banter Club is progressing well. We are making baby blankets and hats for the Linus Project right now. More are always welcome. . Any project type is welcome. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Carol Barcheski caryleb5@aol.com
if you are interested they meet every Friday @ 10:00 a.m.

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TRUSTEES CORNER

The Trustees are continuing to accept donations for the Gate and Railing Fund. The funds collected will be used to repay the \$9,000 loan the Trustees received from the Endowment Fund. At this time we have reached approximately 66% of our goal of \$9,000. If you want to make a donation, just mark Endowment Fund in the memo section of your check or on your donation envelope. Thanks for your help!

FINANCE

What is God Calling Me to Do?

Our Stewardship Program this year challenged us to answer this question for a spiritual perspective. As a result our Consecration Sunday was a success. We had an increase in giving of 3%.

Thank you for your continuing support of the ministries

WOMEN'S GROUP

Thur., Dec. 12th, at 6:00 at Dukie's

All women of the church are invited. We have dinner, meditation, plan for the months ahead, some girl talk and lots of laughs.

Good News to share!!!!

**If you purchase anything at
ESSENTIAL BED in**

**Stratford Square be sure to tell
them you are from**

**Good Samaritan Church. They
will donate 10% of your purchase
to our church. Thanks so much!!!**

ANNUAL CHURCH CHRISTMAS PARTY -SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, AFTER 10AM WORSHIP SERVICE- FOOD, FUN, WHITE ELEPHANT, FELLOWSHIP, CHRISTMAS

PLAY,



Christmas Cantata



Sun., Dec. 22nd, 10AM service



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH 7PM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR WOMEN'S GROUP CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH AT NOON

Dukie McCarrell
630)539-1972
260 Stanyon Ct.
Bloomindale, Il
Grab bag gift \$15



PLEASE JOIN US SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 5PM SERVICE fellowship and meal to follow

[Click](#) here for our calendar of events

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- ◆ *Adult Bible Study 8:30 a.m.*
- ◆ *Elementary Kids Sunday School 9:00 a.m.*
- ◆ *Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.*
- ◆ *Fellowship after service*

Love God · Connect with Others · Serve the World

MERRY CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

Annual Church Christmas Party, Sun., Dec. 8th,
after worship service
Food/Fun/White Elephant
Sing-A-Long & Christmas Play

Simbang Gabi, Dec. 15th, 5PM & meal to follow

Christmas Cantata, Sun., Dec. 22nd, 10AM service



Tues., Dec 24th, 7PM service