

# Important Dates July

All in person worship service has been suspended until further notice. Please join our Worship Service on

"Facebook Live"

(<u>https://</u>

line

www.facebook.com/ GoodSamUMCAddison)"

Sundays, at 10AM
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building have been
temporarily
Suspended until further notice.

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How is it with your soul in this time? Recently I have felt physical and mental fatigue. It may be the result of the Stay at Home order that is lasting longer than I expected. Now the length of the order has passed three months. But the weather is forcing people to engage in outdoor activities. I can see more people walk by and run on Army Trail Road. They might be tired of being inside.

In this unprecedented time of Covid-19, there is another issue arising. That is racism. Given these situations, I found two surprising things. The first is that today is not much different from the 1960s after I read the book, "Where Do We Go from Here?: Chaos or Community?" by Martin Luther King, Jr. I wonder where we go from this troubling time in our society. Surely, we want to live in community, not chaos. What kind of community do we seek and hope for? It is the community in which all are included regardless of any differences. Martin Luther King, Jr. called it the "Beloved Community." In order to make this community, he suggested "abolition of poverty." That is why he said, "The time has come for us to civilize ourselves by the total, direct, and immediate abolition of poverty." As he proposed, we should eliminate poverty both in America and in the world for economic justice and security for all. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream is still a dream; it is not a reality yet.

The second surprising thing is that when I prepare a sermon, I've noticed that the Bible focuses on the poor because they are the marginalized, the weak, the least, the lost, and the last in society. The God of the Bible has special concern for them. God willingly takes their side to protect and watch over them. By this standard, we can measure whether our society is just or not. A just society is based on how the society treats the poor. The same logic applies to the church. We must treat the least, the lost, and the last well, for God fully cares for them. In this respect, all lives matter, because God creates all creatures who breathe. The scripture continues to encourage us to what the Lord requires of us: "To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:8)

Grace and Peace, Pastor Sang All in person meetings have been temporarily suspended

## **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



Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance sharing type of group.
The DBSA Dual
Diagnosis Support
Group meets weekly
below the Sanctuary on
Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

# 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.

# 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.

# Loving Reighbor

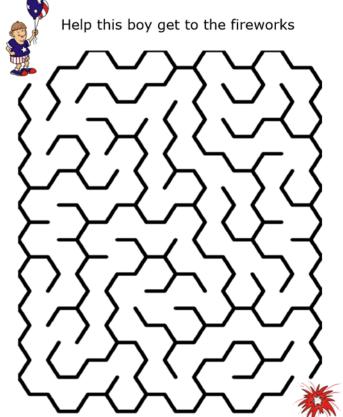
# **Kid's Corner**

## **July Memory Verse**

The LORD your God is with you wherever you go. (Joshua 1:9)

# **Pray Together**

Dear God, here we are.
We are ready to serve you.
Help us to look for ways to share your love. Help us pay attention to the needs of others. Help us do your work in your world. Amen.





Jesus told parables to teach people about the Kingdom of God. In one famous parable, he said that the Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed - it will start small and then grow! (Mark 4:30-32) This year our Sunday School class theme has been Loving God, Loving Neighbor. We've learned about being a person of faith in our communities and sharing God's love with everyone.

Our Sunday School class wanted to help our community during this difficult time. We decided to host a Bible Trivia-thon to raise money for our local food pantry. Our teacher put together 30 trivia questions for each of our students to answer, based on the stories they've heard this year in class. Then we asked our congregation, family and friends to pledge an amount based on the number of questions they got correct. The kids got 93% of the questions correct and raised \$885.70!

Thank you to everyone who donated and helped!!

The Addison Township Food Pantry was beyond grateful we chose them to be the beneficiary of this wonderful donation..

Addison Township Foundation and Food Pantry





Our Church altar made front page for Mother's Day display of all the important women of Good Samaritan.-

We lifted up all the mothers and mother figures to God for their love and sacrifices with laughter and tears. We treasure millions of moments that God weaved together by His grace. The paper flowers and pictures were displayed beautifully. We thank Heesung Kwon for all her hard work.

For Father's Day our Sunday School class made paper boats and the Fathers and Father figures were lifted up to God

\*\*Both displays were so beautiful\*\*

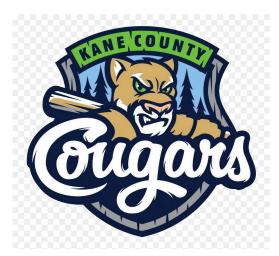




While sanctuaries remain empty, churches throughout the Northern Illinois Conference find creative ways to worship and reach out to the community during the state's "stay-at-home order." (Left) Libertyville UMC's Sunday school class participate in a "Kindness Parade" through the neighborhood spreading cheer and positive messages. (Right) Good Samaritan UMC in Addison decorated the altar on Mother's Day with photos of mothers and mother-like figures in the congregation.



#### Events this summer have been cancelled until next year



Last February, I ordered 30 tickets for the Kane County Cougar's game of June 19, 2020. Needless to say, things have changed just a little bit after I ordered those tickets. I received an email for the Cougar's indicating this ballgame had been cancelled. They will send me a refund. Hopefully in 2021 we will be able to have another outing to the Kane County Cougars. George Wentworth



Annual Gold outing for July has been cancelled-until next year





We had planned our Annual Corn Fest and Craft Fair for August 8th, 2020. This event has been cancelled until next year.

Please join us for our online worship on Facebook live Sundays at 10AM-you can see all our past worship services on our face book page

Giving to your church and being generous is so important now.

http://www.goodsamaritanumc.com choose Donations or send your checks to the church (960 W. Army Trail Blvd, Addison, IL 60101).





#### JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Julie Gumban
- 4 Wally Warren
- 4 Hudson Dyers
- 5 Rachel deGuzman
- 18 Esperanza Gragasin
- 20 Linda Brown
- 22 Judy Stevenson
- 23 Sandy Zanoni
- 23 Cheryl Kamide
- 24 Bill Ellers
- 25 Michael Campbell (son)
- 27 Brian Sapnu-Jolly's son
- 28 Christopher Pacheco
- 28 William Manners

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