



# The Herald

GOOD SAMARITAN  
United Methodist Church



## June 2020

### **Important Dates June**

All in person worship service has been suspended until further notice.

Please join our Worship Service on line

“Facebook Live”

(<https://www.facebook.com/GoodSamUMCAddison>)”

Sundays, at 10AM

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The current circumstance of Covid-19 brings to mind the psalms of lament and Jesus on the cross. Jesus was helpless and vulnerable, but what he could do while he was dying was pray using the psalms. Many people might ask where God was in that difficult situation of Jesus’ suffering. It looked like God was silent, absent, and was not answering the prayer that Jesus prayed. God who is all powerful, all present, and all knowing seemed to be absolutely hidden in a time of distress where God should manifest His will. Paradoxically, the presence of God is palpable in the suffering and humiliation of Jesus on the cross. That is why the German Lutheran theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer contends that “only the suffering God can help.” It means God who suffered with Jesus actively participates in the present suffering in life. God is not aloof from our painful reality. It is God’s solidarity that is present with those who suffer in a rough time such as the Covid-19 pandemic.

God is with us here and now, whether we are aware of it or not. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus as Paul boldly proclaims in the book of Romans. In other words, there is no place where the love of God is absent. God was with Jesus on the cross through the love of God. God has been at work even in the Covid-19. It might be true that the silence of God is another way of God’s communication with us. It could be a mysterious communication. That is why we can’t unravel all the questions life brings to us. Some of our questions might remain an unanswered mystery. Sometimes it is better to leave God’s silence as it is. But I believe in God’s faithfulness to us, because God is good all the time.

As Jesus prayed on the cross, let us continue to pray and trust God’s goodness and promises.

Grace and Peace

Pastor Sang

P.S. Please join us at our online worship on Facebook live

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

Make online giving ([www. Goodsamaritanumc.com](http://www.Goodsamaritanumc.com)) if you can. If not, send your checks to the church (960 W. Army Trail Blvd, Addison, IL 60101). In this time of Covid-19, I invite us all, as a community and family of faith, to join in prayer every evening at **9 pm**

# 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

### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sang Hun Han
- 5 Colleen Campbell
- 8 John Weier
- 9 Gayle Pickens
- 9 Jack Coffinbargar
- 11 Lorelee Dyers
- 13 Sharon Delawder
- 14 Steve Coffinbargar
- 14 Kaitlin Pacheco
- 15 Cheryl Daniello
- 18 Lea Sapnu
- 21 Kevin Hamm
- 22 John Rodriquez
- 26 Carrie Zatarski
- 26 David Steele Jr.

## 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.



## 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.

# Kid's Corner

Happy Summer!

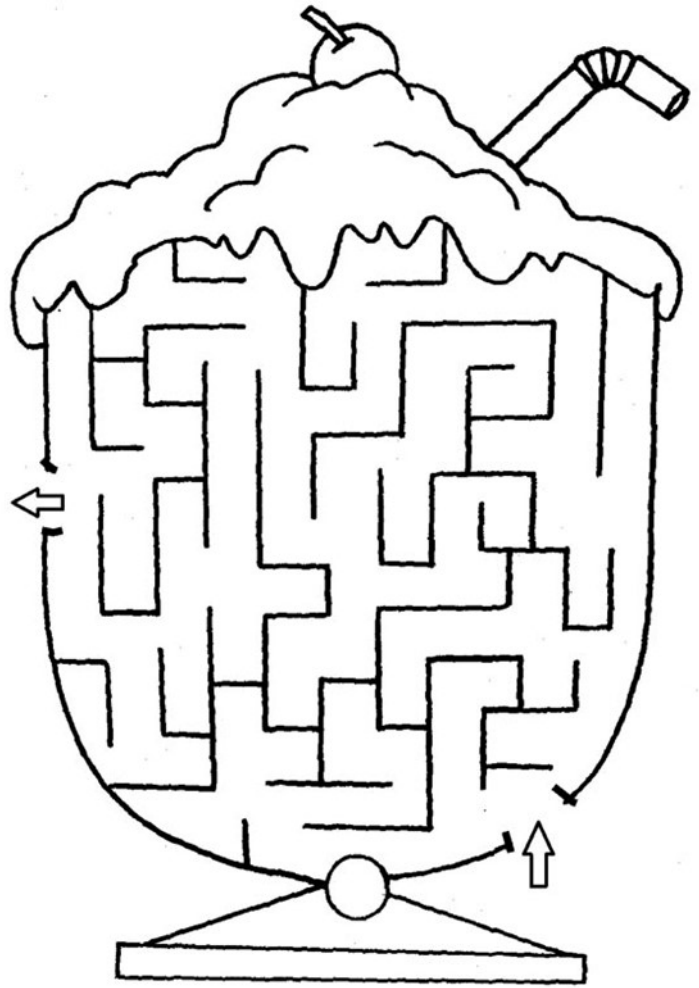
It may not look like the fun summer you had planned. We've had to postpone some things this year, including our VBS that would have been this month. (We're planning to do something extra-special for you and your families in August!) But we're still a community. We're still learning together and praying together and worshipping together and helping each other. We've learned this year about loving our neighbors, and you did an awesome job with your food pantry mission project!! That will help a lot of our neighbors. I'm proud of you!

-Miss Tracey

## Word Search

Loving	Faith	Love
Neighbor	Hope	Pray
Together	Community	

C F A I T H C L  
 O Z I L O V E P  
 M B J P G A O J  
 M E F W E S P K  
 U S A C T D H P  
 N E I G H B O R  
 I K T O E V P A  
 T P H M R B E Y  
 Y E L O V I N G



**DEEP BLUE** Loving God,  
 Loving Neighbor

### June Memory Verse

Now faith, hope, and love remain – these three things – and the greatest of these is love. (1 Corinthians 13:13)

### Pray Together

God, thank you for loving us with an amazing love that will never end. Help us to remember to share your love with other people. Amen

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