



# The Herald

## GOOD SAMARITAN

United Methodist Church



### January 2026

#### **Important Dates**

##### **January**

Every Sunday

9AM Sunday School

10AM worship service

1st Sunday of the month—communion is served at worship service—Join us on January 4th for cake as we celebrate our January birthdays at our potluck lunch.

\*Jan. 6th Trustees Meet

\*Jan. 14th-Women's Group Meet 6PM

\*Jan. 11th Worship Team meet 11AM

Jan 24th-Blood Drive at Good Samaritan

\*Jan 27th-Church Council/Finance Meet 6:30PM

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## **From the Pastor**

A new year always arrives with a mixture of hope and honesty. We step into January carrying dreams for what might be, but also memories of what has been. Some of us come grateful, others weary, and many with both feelings at once. The good news as we begin this year is simple and steady: God meets us exactly where we are.

Scripture reminds us, “Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness” (Lamentations 3:22–23). A new year does not erase the past, but it does remind us that God’s mercy is never exhausted. Each day is an invitation to begin again, held by grace rather than pressure.

As a church, we enter this year not knowing everything that lies ahead, but trusting the One who goes before us. We do not need perfect plans or flawless resolutions. What God desires is faithfulness—faithfulness in prayer, in worship, in generosity, and in love for one another. Small acts of faith, repeated over time, can shape lives and transform communities.

This new year is also a chance to renew our commitment to being the church together. We are called to be a people who listen well, serve faithfully, forgive freely, and hope boldly. In a world that often feels divided and uncertain, the church is invited to be a living witness to God’s reconciling love.

Wherever this year finds you—celebrating, grieving, searching, or simply showing up—know that you do not walk into it alone. God is already present in every month, every challenge, and every joy to come. May this year be marked not by fear of the unknown, but by trust in the God who makes all things new.

Let us step forward together, confident that the same God who has been faithful in the past will continue to lead us in the year ahead.

Happy New Year!  
Pastor Singh



- ◊ **Recap of Some of the ministries and events of Good Sam in 2025**
- ◆ 1st Sunday of every month— communion was served at worship. After service fellowship time in fellowship hall, potluck.
- ◆ Addison Community Blood Drive was held here on January 25th.
- ◆ Food Pantry here at our church. Food For the Soul is here every Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30PM. ALL ARE WELCOME. We are happy we can help our community.
- ◆
- ◆ February 9th Souper Bowl of Caring. We enjoyed a variety of different soups. We also had carry out homemade soup to take home. The donations collected went to The Night Ministry.
- ◆ March 22ndParticipated at Feed My Starving Children on
- ◆ April 19th Easter Egg Hunt with a Continental breakfast.
- ◆ April 20th Easter Sunrise breakfast followed be Easter Sunday Worship Service
- ◆ We had Easter Flower dedications for Loved ones-funds raised above the cost of the flowers went to support The Children's Fund for Christian Mission
- ◆ UWF (United Women in Faith) meet once a month. events held - Rummage Sale , Crafters at Corn Fest, Fall Craft Fair.
- ◆ UWF gave out flowers to all mothers for Mother's Day and candy bars to all Fathers for Father's Day. They also donate to various organizations (Serenity House, Wings For Domestic Violence, Salvation Army, Rosecrance, DuPage Pads, Phil's Friends-to name a few.)
- ◆ June 1st honoring our Graduates a celebration with cake and gift cards after Service
- ◆ For "Everybody's birthday" "Special Offering" during worship service, All proceeds went toward the purchase of a new sound system.
- ◆ VBS (Vacation Bible School) Road Trip "On the go with God "June 8th to the 12th.
- ◆ June 13th we had our Annual Kane County Cougars game outing

## **Ministries and events of Good Sam in 2025 continued**

- ◆ June 29th, we had Our 65th Anniversary Celebration with a Luncheon after Service.
- ◆ Annual Corn Fest was on August 16th. A fun day for all in the community
- ◆ August 25th The Addison Parade -we gave out water & freeze pops– in front of our church-We were an Emergency Shelter.
- ◆ September 7th. Sunday School Kick off, Backpack Blessing & Church Picnic
- ◆ NIC Youth Fall Retreat was on September 26th to 28th in Elkhorn, WI.
- ◆ October 5th. Crop Hunger Walk Thank you Brady & Tracey Warren our organizers.
- ◆ October 24th & 25th Fall Craft & Vendor Fair -
- ◆ October 26th Trunk or Treat for our community
- ◆ November 2nd All Saints Day, displayed photos of our loved ones and lit a candles.
- ◆ November 9th, New Member Sunday -10 new members became part of our church.
- ◆ November 15th. Addison Community Mayor's Charity Ball
- ◆ November 16th Consecration Sunday -followed by Thanksgiving luncheon.
- ◆ December 7th Simbang Gabi -A Traditional Filipino Worship Service
- ◆ December 9th Annual Church Charge Conference
- ◆ December 20th UWF (United Women in Faith) Annual Christmas Party
- ◆ December 21st We had our Annual All-Church Christmas party, potluck and gifts
- ◆ December 24th– Christmas Candlelight Service. With flower dedications.
- ◆ Adult Lenten, Advent and Fall Bible studies. This year we had an online bible study.
- ◆ 20 Blessing bags were made for the homeless and distributed before Thanksgiving.
- ◆ Al-Anon meetings are held at our church every Monday night.
- ◆ Prayer warriors meet via zoom, let us know if you need prayer.
- ◆ God Loves a Cheerful Giver-we now have another way to make an offering-Zelle-use our church email [goodsamaritanumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:goodsamaritanumc@sbcglobal.net) or you may continue placing offering in collection plate or mail them in.



2 Tommy Manglicmot  
 3 Jonathan Shauf  
 6 Beth Sapnu  
 14 Debbie Weier  
 16 Debra King  
 16 Olivia Shauf  
 19 Monique Barras  
 21 Arnie Jeschke  
 28 Noy Guevarra  
 29 Roman Hildenbrandt

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3. offering plate



**Community Blood Drive at church Saturday, Jan.24 f8:30 to 1:30PM Information or appointment-call Judy Socha 630-628-1959**

You are invited to all meetings. If you have questions call the church at 630-543-3725.

Trustees meetings- Tuesday January 6th at 7PM

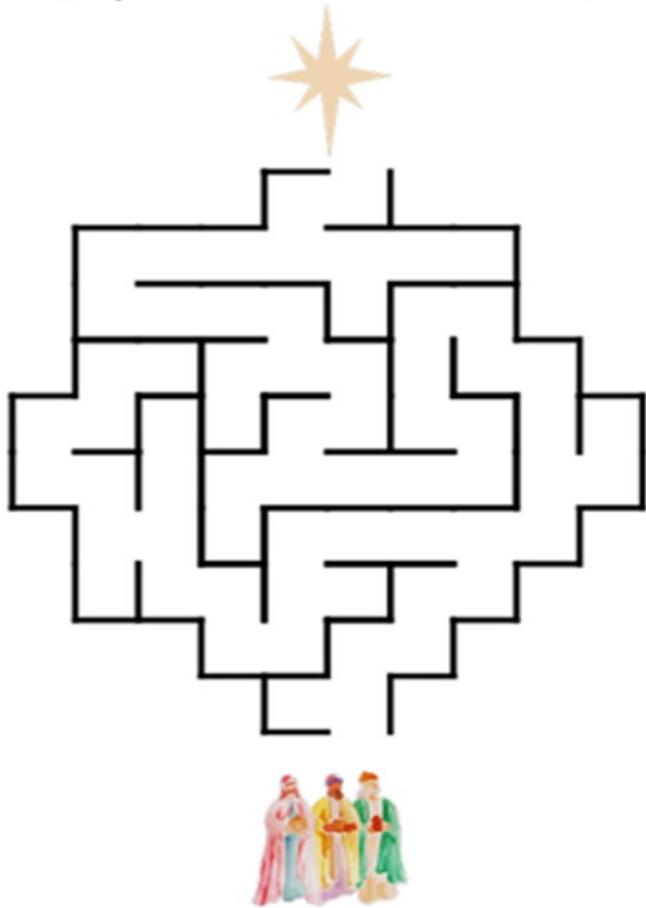
Worship Team meeting-Jan. 11th at 11AM-

UMW-United Women in Faith meeting. Jan 14th 6PM supper 7PM meeting. Please call the church for location. Join us.-you do not have to be a member to join us.

Church Council/ Finance meeting January 27th at 6:30PM

# Kid's Corner

Help the wise men find the star!



## January Bible Verse

Jesus matured in wisdom and years, and in favor with God and people.

(Luke 2:52)



## Wise Men Jumble

Matthew 2:1-12

Unscramble each word, then use the marked letters to reveal the secret word.

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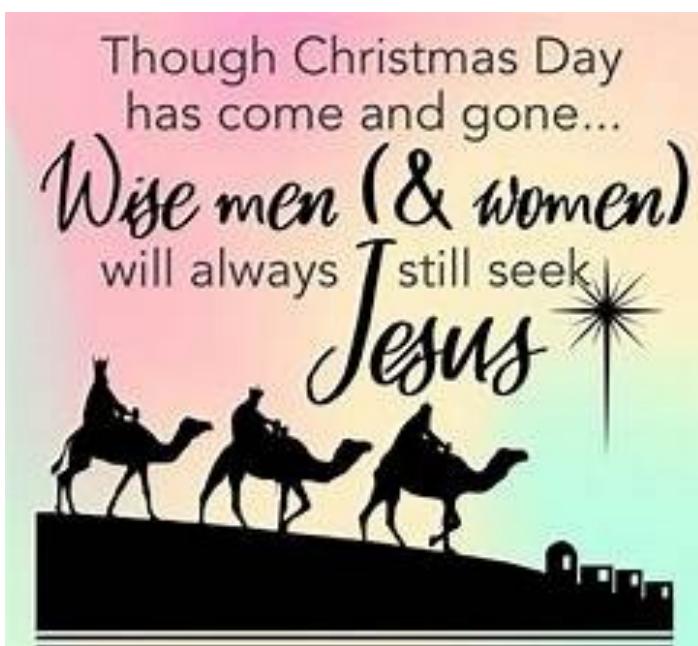
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1. Another word for the wise men.
2. A twinkling point of light in the night sky.
3. The direction that is opposite of west.
4. The male ruler of a country. Herod, for example.
5. What the wise men brought to Jesus
6. Why the wise men wanted to find the newborn king.



Epiphany is a Christian feast day that celebrates the revelation of God incarnate as Jesus Christ. Join us on January 4th at 10AM for Epiphany Sunday Service in person or on Face book live



## 52 Week Bible Reading Plan

Epistles	The Law	History	Psalms	Poetry	Prophecy	Gospels	
Week	(Sunday)	(Monday)	(Tuesday)	(Wednesday)	(Thursday)	(Friday)	(Saturday)
1	Rom 1-2	Gen 1-3	Josh 1-5	Ps 1-2	Job 1-2	Isa 1-6	Matt 1-2
2	Rom 3-4	Gen 4-7	Josh 6-10	Ps 3-5	Job 3-4	Isa 7-11	Matt 3-4
3	Rom 5-6	Gen 8-11	Josh 11-15	Ps 6-8	Job 5-6	Isa 12-17	Matt 5-7
4	Rom 7-8	Gen 12-15	Josh 16-20	Ps 9-11	Job 7-8	Isa 18-22	Matt 8-10
5	Rom 9-10	Gen 16-19	Josh 21-24	Ps 12-14	Job 9-10	Isa 23-28	Matt 11-13
6	Rom 11-12	Gen 20-23	Judg 1-6	Ps 15-17	Job 11-12	Isa 29-33	Matt 14-16
7	Rom 13-14	Gen 24-27	Judg 7-11	Ps 18-20	Job 13-14	Isa 34-39	Matt 17-19
8	Rom 15-16	Gen 28-31	Judg 12-16	Ps 21-23	Job 15-16	Isa 40-44	Matt 20-22
9	1Cor 1-2	Gen 32-35	Judg 17-21	Ps 24-26	Job 17-18	Isa 45-50	Matt 23-25
10	1Cor 3-4	Gen 36-39	Ruth	Ps 27-29	Job 19-20	Isa 51-55	Matt 26-28
11	1Cor 5-6	Gen 40-43	1Sam 1-5	Ps 30-32	Job 21-22	Isa 56-61	Mark 1-2
12	1Cor 7-8	Gen 44-47	1Sam 6-10	Ps 33-35	Job 23-24	Isa 62-66	Mark 3-4
13	1Cor 9-10	Gen 48-50	1Sam 11-15	Ps 36-38	Job 25-26	Jer 1-6	Mark 5-6
14	1Cor 11-12	Ex 1-4	1Sam 16-20	Ps 39-41	Job 27-28	Jer 7-11	Mark 7-8
15	1Cor 13-14	Ex 5-8	1Sam 21-25	Ps 42-44	Job 29-30	Jer 12-16	Mark 9-10
16	1Cor 15-16	Ex 9-12	1Sam 26-31	Ps 45-47	Job 31-32	Jer 17-21	Mark 11-12
17	2Cor 1-3	Ex 13-16	2Sam 1-4	Ps 48-50	Job 33-34	Jer 22-26	Mark 13-14
18	2Cor 4-5	Ex 17-20	2Sam 5-9	Ps 51-53	Job 35-36	Jer 27-31	Mark 15-16
19	2Cor 6-8	Ex 21-24	2Sam 10-14	Ps 54-56	Job 37-38	Jer 32-36	Luke 1-2
20	2Cor 9-10	Ex 25-28	2Sam 15-19	Ps 57-59	Job 39-40	Jer 37-41	Luke 3-4
21	2Cor 11-13	Ex 29-32	2Sam 20-24	Ps 60-62	Job 41-42	Jer 42-46	Luke 7-8
23	Gal 4-6	Ex 37-40	1Ki 5-9	Ps 66-68	Prov 2-3	Lamentations	Luke 9-10
24	Eph 1-3	Lev 1-3	1Ki 10-13	Ps 69-71	Prov 4	Ezek 1-6	Luke 11-12
25	Eph 4-6	Lev 4-6	1Ki 14-18	Ps 72-74	Prov 5-6	Ezek 7-12	Luke 13-14
26	Phil 1-2	Lev 7-9	1Ki 19-22	Ps 75-77	Prov 7	Ezek 13-18	Luke 15-16
27	Phil 3-4	Lev 10-12	2Ki 1-5	Ps 78-80	Prov 8-9	Ezek 19-24	Luke 17-18
28	Col 1-2	Lev 13-15	2Ki 6-10	Ps 81-83	Prov 10	Ezek 25-30	Luke 19-20
29	Col 3-4	Lev 16-18	2Ki 11-15	Ps 84-86	Prov 11-12	Ezek 31-36	Luke 21-22
30	1Thes 1-3	Lev 19-21	2Ki 16-20	Ps 87-89	Prov 13	Ezek 37-42	Luke 23-24
31	1Thes 4-5	Lev 22-24	2Ki 21-25	Ps 90-92	Prov 14-15	Ezek 43-48	John 1-2
32	2Thes	Lev 25-27	1Chr 1-4	Ps 93-95	Prov 16	Dan 1-6	John 3-4
33	1Tim 1-3	Num 1-4	1Chr 5-9	Ps 96-98	Prov 17-18	Dan 7-12	John 5-6
34	1Tim 4-6	Num 5-8	1Chr 10-14	Ps 99-101	Prov 19	Hosea 1-7	John 7-9
35	2Tim 1-2	Num 9-12	1Chr 15-19	Ps 102-104	Prov 20-21	Hosea 8-14	John 10-12
36	2Tim 3-4	Num 13-16	1Chr 20-24	Ps 105-107	Prov 22	Joel	John 13-15
37	Titus	Num 17-20	1Chr 25-29	Ps 108-110	Prov 23-24	Amos 1-4	John 16-18
38	Philemon	Num 21-24	2Chr 1-5	Ps 111-113	Prov 25	Amos 5-9	John 19-2
39	Heb 1-4	Num 25-28	2Chr 6-10	Ps 114-116	Prov 26-27	Obadiah	Acts 1-2
40	Heb 5-7	Num 29-32	2Chr 11-15	Ps 117-118	Prov 28	Jonah	Acts 3-4
41	Heb 8-10	Num 33-36	2Chr 16-20	Ps 119	Prov 29-30	Micah	Acts 5-6
42	Heb 11-13	Deut 1-3	2Chr 21-24	Ps 120-121	Prov 31	Nahum	Acts 7-8
43	James 1-3	Deut 4-6	2Chr 25-28	Ps 122-124	Eccl 1-2	Habakkuk	Acts 9-10
44	James 4-5	Deut 7-9	2Chr 29-32	Ps 125-127	Eccl 3-4	Zephaniah	Acts 11-12
45	1Pet 1-3	Deut 10-12	2Chr 33-36	Ps 128-130	Eccl 5-6	Haggai	Acts 13-14
46	1Pet 4-5	Deut 13-15	Ezra 1-5	Ps 131-133	Eccl 7-8	Zechariah 1-7	Acts 15-16
47	2Pet	Deut 16-19	Ezra 6-10	Ps 134-136	Eccl 9-10	Zechariah 8-14	Acts 17-18
48	1John 1-3	Deut 20-22	Neh 1-4	Ps 137-139	Eccl 11-12	Malachi	Acts 19-2
49	1John 4-5	Deut 23-25	Neh 5-9	Ps 140-142	Song 1-2	Rev 1-6	Acts 21-22
50	2John	Deut 26-28	Neh 10-13	Ps 143-145	Song 3-4	Rev 7-11	Acts 23-24
51	3John	Deut 29-31	Esther 1-5	Ps 146-148	Song 5-6	Rev 12-17	Acts 25-26
52	Jude	Deut 32-34	Esther 6-10	Ps 149-150	Song 7-8	Rev 18-22	Acts 27-28

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