

# WELCOME TO GOOD SAMARITAN

## DECEMBER 17, 2023

### THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WE WELCOME ALL GUESTS TO GOOD SAMARITAN. Please take a moment to fill out the pew card and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. Activity packs are available for children. Following the service, please pick up a newcomer's information packet. Our ushers and greeters are happy to assist you!

WE HAVE ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES FOR THOSE WHO HAVE TROUBLE HEARING THE SERVICE. Please look for them in the narthex or ask one of the ushers for assistance. We have large print copies of the Book of Common Prayer for those who need them (8:15 AM service).

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL - 10:30 am service (3 years - 4th grade): All children will begin church with their families and then those 3 years to rising 4th grade may follow the Chapel Leader to Children's Chapel after the Gospel. Children will then return to receive communion with their families.

## TODAY AT GOOD SAMARITAN - COMMISSIONING THE VESTRY - BOTH SERVICES

8:15 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II - also live-streaming
9:30 am	Sunday School for children & youth	11:45 am	GS Social Lights Lunch - Carolina Ale House
9:30 am	Adult Choir Rehearsal	3:30 pm	The Greening of the Church Begins *see announcements

## THE CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 17

Tues., Dec. 19	10:00 am - Healing Service & Book Study	Wed., Dec. 20	9:30 am - Staff Meeting
Tues., Dec. 19	5:45 pm - Women's Bible Study	Wed., Dec. 20	7:00 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tues., Dec. 19	6:00 pm - Men's Bible Study	Sat., Dec. 23	4:00 pm - Worship email goes out

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME TO EVERYONE WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY

#### THE GREENING OF THE CHURCH - TODAY

TODAY at 3:30 pm, Good Samaritans will gather for The Greening of the Church. We'll put up the Christmas tree, hang wreaths, make bows, and hang garland inside and out. Nativity Pageant practice and costuming for older children will also begin at 3:30pm. Younger children need to be at practice by 4:30 pm to be in the pageant. After the Nativity Pageant, we'll gather in Henslee Hall for light food & beverages. Our Vestry Fellowship Team will provide the food! Join us as we prepare for Christmas Day! **NOTE:** There is NO childcare during the events of The Greening of the Church.

#### FOURTH ADVENT & CHRISTMAS EVE AT GOOD SAM

Next Sun. is 4th Advent. It is also Christmas Eve. This is one of those years where the two converge. On the morning of December 24, we'll observe the 4th Advent with one service at 10:30 am. Then we switch gears in the late afternoon. At 4:45 pm, we'll have Music of the Season prior to the 5pm Family Eucharist. Then at 8:30pm, we'll have Music of the Season prior to Festive Eucharist at 9pm. **Please note:** there will be no Christmas Day service, and the office will be closed all week.

#### FAMILY PROMISE HELP NEEDED

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help with this *Meals & Gift Cards Only* Family Promise Week! HOWEVER - there are still 3 days of meals needed. Won't you help us? You don't even have to cook - carry out is fine too. Go to <http://tinyurl.com/2p8fj42x> to sign up. You'll find instructions there.

#### FLOWER DEDICATIONS ENVELOPES

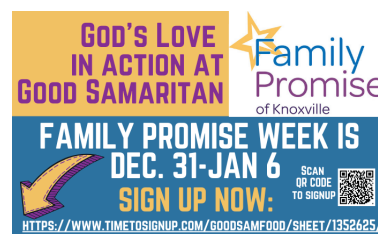
Drop your completed envelope with cash or check in the offering plate or mail to the church office. It is through your generous giving that our Flower Guild and Special Events team are able to adorn the entire church - inside and out - with the beautiful flowers that we will all enjoy at our Christmas services. **NOTE:** Dedications and envelopes need to be into the church office by Thursday, December 21 at 9am to be included in the Christmas Eve Service Bulletin.

#### FEAST OF LIGHTS

Mark your calendars for Friday, January 5 for our annual *Feast of Lights* celebration. Join us for supper at 6:00pm, followed by the beautiful Feasts of Lights service. After the service, we'll go out on to the ballfield for The Burning of the Greens, weather permitting. Look for more information soon.

#### CONFIRMATION CLASS COMING IN JANUARY

The Adult Confirmation Class - or Inquirer's Class - will kick off Sunday, January 7 during the Sunday School hour at 9:30 am. The sacrament of Confirmation is the adult confirmation, or acceptance, of our baptismal vows that were made on our behalf if we were baptized as an infant or a child. It is also the class or method by which adults, baptized or confirmed in another denomination or tradition, join the Episcopal Church. We also highly recommend those life-long Episcopalians who were confirmed when they were 12 or 13 to attend and learn all the stuff they didn't learn the first time!!



### The Cash In The Plate For Today Goes To Young Williams Animal Shelter.

This week's cash in the plate will go to Young Williams Animal Shelter. Their mission is; To lead the community to end pet homelessness, promote animal welfare, and enhance the human-animal bond. In 2022 they had over 7000 adoptions with a save rate of over 93%.Your donation helps lost, stray, abused and abandoned animals find their forever home.

Donations can be made by sending a check to Good Sam, specifying "Young-Williams" in the memo line, or through Good Sam's online giving portal by scanning the QR code at right.

Last week's offering of \$1,055.00 has been designated to go to the News Sentinel Empty Stocking Fund.



ALTAR FLOWERS & AUMBRY CANDLE

The Aumbry Candle is given to the glory of God by Connie Duncan in thanksgiving for Graham and Melissa Kincaid.

PRAYER LIST

FOR OUR PARISHIONERS:

Anne Bender, Gail Cox, Rev. Mary Davis, Lois Dearolf, Connie DeWitt,  
Dana & Dewell Downey, Doug Embler, The Greeley Family, Marge Hudson, Patrick Hundley,  
Ellen LoCurto-Martinez, Don McConnell, Kent Parish, Allan Philp, Bill & Marcia Power, Marilyn Randall, Krissa Randolph,  
Nancye Reeder, Alvin Richards, Tom Schlitt, Carol Smith, Sharolyn Sprigg, Lo Starck, Randy Stansberry, Denise & Roger  
Tibedo, Fred & Alice Wegmann, Michele Welsh

FOR RELATIVES OF PARISHIONERS

Margaret Arnold, Jerry Backus, Benny Brantley, Jimmy Campbell, Christine Edge,  
Emily Fleming, Mac & Becky Fulcher, Landon Gillespie, David & Nancy Gray, Tim Hogan, The Kaderli Family, David and  
Nathaniel Miller, Tim & Katie Miller, Frankie Moyers, James Neisler, June O’Flynn, The O’Flynn Family, Rebecca Petroskey,  
Laura Reynolds, Linda Saig, Sayuri Sato, Gene Scarlett, Daniel & Sarah Smithwick, Deena Stauffer, RJ Thomas, Shelba  
Thomas, Jackson Tibedo, Jami Welden, Sarah Welsh, Robin Williams

FOR FRIENDS OF PARISHIONERS

Carolyn & Dale Allen & family, Brad Barnett, Paulette & Roger Chandler, Melissa Clark, Rev. Taylor Dinsmore & family,  
Jennifer Friday, Brenton Galbraith, Jim Harb, Kari & Donnie Kosovec, The Kredich Family, The Lawing & Locke Families,  
Liv, Marcia League, Andy Locke, Janet Mills, Geri Ravnum,  
Meghan Yoder, Logan Zirzow

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*We pray for those in the military, especially for those who have been deployed.*  
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*We also pray for those grieving the loss of job, of health, or a relationship.*

CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Mark Brown	Lee Ann Carter	Nancy Truett	Ron Cherry	Al Sanders
Terry Scarlett	Grady Williams	Elaine Cochrane	Van Latture	

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

Kenny & Chrissy Faight                      Andy & Susan Sneed

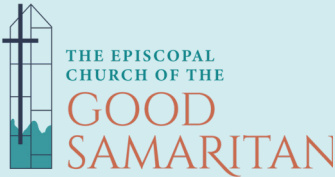
TODAY’S MINISTERS – VESTRY PERSON OF THE DAY – BILL POWER

8:15 am		10:30 am	
Celebrant:	The Rev. Elizabeth Farr	Celebrant:	The Rev. Elizabeth Farr
Preacher:	The Rev. Cal Calhoun	Preacher:	The Rev. Cal Calhoun
Acolyte:	Gerry Fishbeck	Acolyte:	Janie Long, Kathrine Airhart, Rohen Farr
Altar Guild:	Sharon White, Megan Brown Melanie Gillespie, Alice Beets	Altar Guild:	Sharon White, Megan Brown Melanie Gillespie, Alice Beets
Audio/Visual:	Troy Suggs	Audio/Visual:	Georgette Suggs (Camera), Troy Suggs (Sound)
Coffee Team:	Joe and Sharon Smaldino	Children's Chapel:	Liz Parmalee and Laura Airhart
EM:	Beverly Guiler	Coffee Team:	Jan Travins
Flower Guild:	Karen Sproles	EM:	Karen Sproles, Jenny Fields
Intercessor:	Ed Hochnedel	EV:	Lynn Hopps
Lector:	Mike Martinez	Flower Guild:	Karen Sproles
Linen Guild:	Jenny Fields	Greeter:	Mary Embler, Ashlee Schoch
Ushers:	Mike Kilbey	Intercessor:	Sam Venable
		Lector:	Elizabeth Colonna, Bruce La Fetra
		Oblation Bearers:	Elizabeth Colonna & Drew Jeffrey
		Ushers:	Paul Backus, Thomas Huegle, Samuel Huegle

2023 VESTRY MEMBERS: Michelle Bales, Jr. Warden, Steve Campbell, Chris Foell, Shawn Graham, Eddie Hopps, Kathrine Medlock, Sr. Warden,  
Bill Power, Kristen Sanders, Ashlee Schoch, Katherine Smithwick, Georgette Suggs, Grady Williams, Clerk of Vestry: Karen Mann

THE STAFF AT THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

The Rev. Cal Calhoun, Rector  
The Rev. Elizabeth Farr, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Claire Keene, Priest Associate  
The Rev. Matt Farr, Priest Associate  
Fredrick Brabson, Director of Music and Liturgy  
Sinead Love, Youth Minister  
Jennifer Dunn, Director of Communications  
Erin Keck, Christian Education Coordinator  
Lisa Webb, Administrative Assistant  
John Paul Boltik, Sexton



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