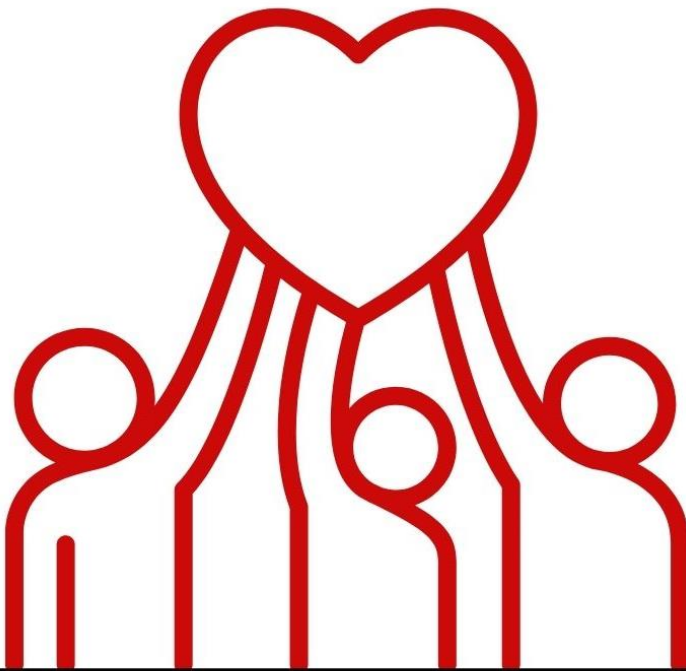


# Community



## Aldersgate United Methodist Church

*FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*

Sunday, April 21, 2024

*The Reverend Dr. Kyung-Hee Sa, Senior Pastor*  
*The Reverend Robert Broesler, Pastor of Congregational Care*

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***Aldersgate is a significant place where disciples are made!***

*With God's help and through prayer we GATHER as God's people,  
GROW in faith and love, and GO into the world as Jesus' disciples.*

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## 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship

### GATHERING

<b>*WORSHIP SONG</b>	<i>Shine, Jesus, Shine</i>	Journey Band
<b>*PASSING OF THE PEACE</b>		
<b>WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		Lydia Shay
<b>CHILDREN'S TIME</b>		Linsey Anderson
<b>CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER</b>		Cheryl Merritt
<b>OFFERING PRAYER</b>		Reverend Robert Broesler
<b>OFFERING SONG</b>	<i>Goodness of God</i>	Journey Band
<b>*SCRIPTURE LESSON</b>	<b>1 John 3:16-18 (NRSV)</b>	Lydia Shay
<b>MESSAGE</b>	<i>With Actions and in Truth</i>	Reverend Robert Broesler
<b>*CLOSING SONG</b>	<i>10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)</i>	Journey Band
<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		

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### PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Altar Duty:	Gail Lodge and Jocelyn McCord
AV Tech:	Ryan McKeever
Liturgist:	Lydia Shay
Greeters:	Kathy Harding and Nitasha Smith
Head Usher:	Steve Davis
Journey Band	Anastasiia Sidorova, Kevin Brace, Henry Daum, Ron Lassiter, Jocelyn McCord, Brian Erskine, Debbie Mulrooney, Rachel Domenick, Sharon Owens, Cheryl Merritt, and Janet Atwater

Please join us in the Auditorium for the **MINISTRY FAIR** at 10 AM

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## 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

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### ENTRANCE

**PRELUDE** *Sing A New Song* Chancel Choir

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Jeff Walters

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Jeff Walters

L: Come, let us dwell in God's shelter. Let us dwell in God's work of art. Come, because the Earth is the Lord's, And God's Earth is our home.

**P: We live in God's World; we are not alone. We share this life with the heavens and the earth, With the waters and the land, With trees and grasses, With fish, birds, and animals, With minerals and creatures of every form, And with all our brothers and sisters.**

L: God is good and everything God makes is good. God is love and everything God makes is love's fruit. Let us worship God!

**\*HYMN, 548** *In Christ There Is No East or West* McKEE

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER** Ferris Wharton

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**OFFERING PRAYER** Reverend Robert Broesler

**OFFERTORY** *For the Beauty of the Earth* Chancel Choir  
*arr. Dale Wood*

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**\*DOXOLOGY**

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION, 577** *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSON** **1 John 3:16-18 (NRSV)** Jeff Walters

**SERMON** *With Actions and in Truth* Reverend Robert Broesler

### SENDING FORTH

**\*CLOSING HYMN, 671** *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing* SICILIAN MARINERS

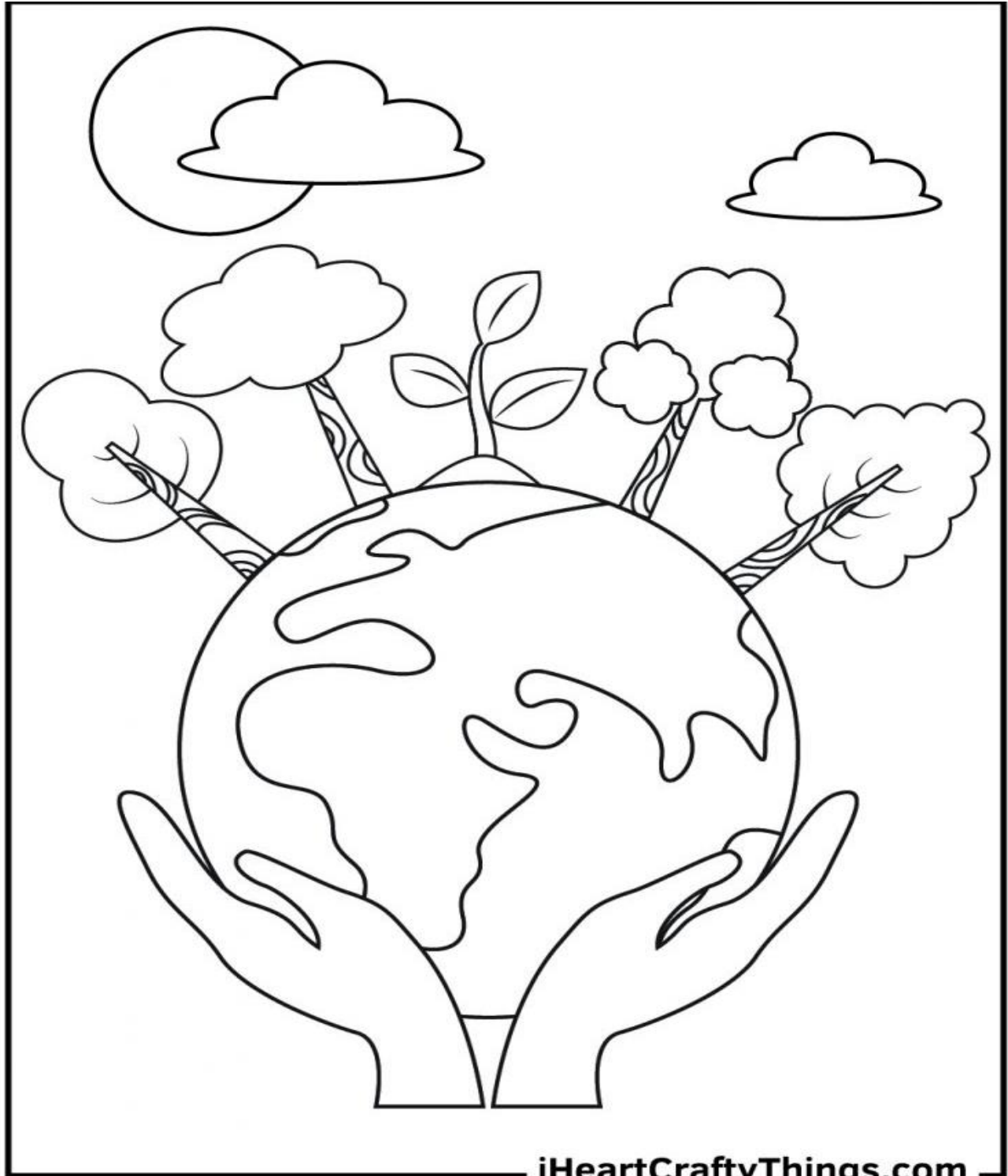
**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *His Eye Is On The Sparrow* Evelyn Swensson

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Altar Duty: Gail Lodge and Jocelyn McCord  
AV Tech: Ryan McKeever  
Greeters: Jocelyn McCord and Barbara Johnson  
Liturgist: Jeff Walters  
Head Usher: Steve Davis  
Music: Anastasiia Sidorova, Director of Music  
Mark Sobol, *Organist*  
Evelyn Swensson, *Soloist*



## REMINDERS...

- **Nursery & Childcare** is available in Room 116.
- **There is an elevator** located near the Fairfax Shopping Center doors.
- **Please refrain** from eating or drinking in the Sanctuary.
- **Altar Flowers:** contact Cheryl Beeson at (302) 658-7765 or e-mail [cherylbeeson45@gmail.com](mailto:cherylbeeson45@gmail.com); **checks for contributions may be put in the Treasurer's mailbox in The HUB. Please include envelope number.**
- **Prayer List, Visitation, and Persons to Encourage list:** [prayerlist@aldersgatede.org](mailto:prayerlist@aldersgatede.org)
- **Messenger Articles & Photos:** E-mail [messenger@aldersgatede.org](mailto:messenger@aldersgatede.org).
- **Church Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday 9 AM- 4 PM and Fridays 9 AM- 12 PM.
- **The Hughes Chapel** is open Monday-Friday during office hours for anyone who wishes to stop in to pray.
- If you are not feeling well, stay home, wash your hands, or use hand sanitizer, wear a mask if you wish and use your discretion to do what is best for you.
- **Sunday School – 10:05 – 10:50:** We have adult and children's classes. Please see information desk in the narthex for offerings.

## OUR CARING MINISTRY

**And this is the boldness we have in Him,  
that if we ask anything according to His will, he hears us. (1 John 5:14)**

**The Peace Candle** in the sanctuary reminds us to pray for those serving our country: Weston Stigler (grandson to Martha and Willis Weldin); Joshua Biggs-Herrera (grandson to Karen Covey Moore); Benjamin Lovett (Julia Shay's brother).

**The flowers on the altar are** *in memory of the first anniversary of Frank Sobonya's passing.* He was a loving husband, father, and Pappy, who is deeply missed, from Jean and his family.

**The candle on the altar is in memory of Tana Hinman,** who passed away one year ago April 22.

**The candle on the altar is in memory of Frank Sobonya,** who passed away one year ago April 25.

**Retirement/Nursing Home Worship Leaders at Forwood:** Bonnie Rambo and Sherie Stiles.

## Our Weekly Prayer List

### Our Pastors

Rev. LaTrelle Easterling, Bishop  
Rev. Joe Archie, District Superintendent  
Rev. Dr. Kyung-Hee Sa  
Rev. Robert Broesler

### Our Nation

President Biden and All Leaders  
All victims of gun violence  
All victims of natural disasters

### Sympathy

Family and friends of George Matthew (Sheena Gladden's father)

## Members & Friends

Aldersgate Staff Members

Jean Adkins (friend of Teddi Collins)

Betty and Paul Aldrich

Ralph & Emily Bankert

Angela DeMaio (Christy Zeigler's mother)

Pat Koenig

Mike Luternau

Anna Maansson

Judy Morton

Christine Nastasi (friend of Amy Honisch)

Ron Smith

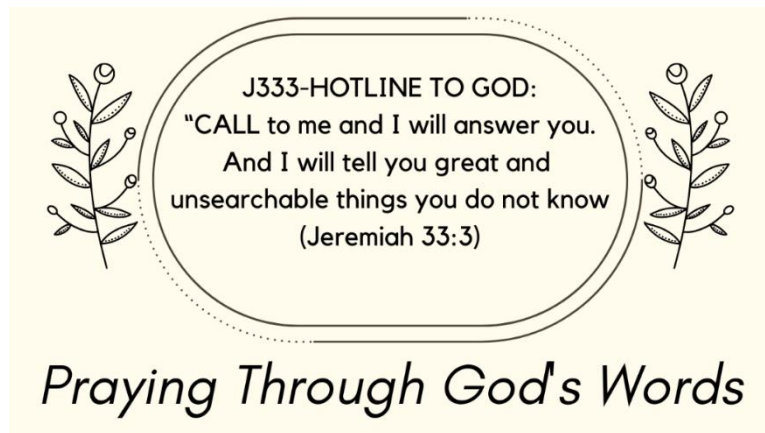
Joe & Holly Van Such

## Prayer Points

-The current wars in Ukraine and Gaza, and the threat of ever-expanding wars.

-Discernment on how we, as a congregation, are called to respond to armed conflict.

-Those in our community who may be directly affected by war through family connections or family members in uniform



Aldersgate UMC is a Reconciling  
Congregation

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Touch-A-Truck & Aldersgate Preschool Open House:** (TODAY, 3-5 PM) We invite and welcome everyone interested in all vehicles that go, as well as all those interested in Aldersgate Preschool. Uncle John's BBQ stand & DonutNV will be joining too! The Preschool Open House is rain or shine!

**The Ministry Fair is TODAY at 10 AM.** This will be a time to learn about the Ministry opportunities we have here at Aldersgate, to find where *you can serve*. There will be an overview from our Gather, Grow, and Go Teams; representatives from committees/groups to provide information; and refreshments! ~ Everyone in Service ~

**The Gather and Communications Teams** are joining to present the *What's Up?* series of informational dinners with open discussions about different topics that affect life at Aldersgate. On **Monday, April 22**, everyone is invited to enjoy a light dinner from 6 - 6:30 and then participate in round tables on the topic of Church Vitality. Children in attendance will enjoy supervised activities. Childcare will be available from 6:30 to 8. The evening will include a summary of opinions and conclude by 8 PM.

**HELP SAVE LIVES by donating blood!** Wells Fargo is sponsoring a blood drive with the American Red Cross at Aldersgate, and they have graciously consented to allowing us to participate on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM in the Auditorium. Wells Fargo's goal is 37 donors—let's see if we can help them double that number! To make an appointment please use the link and choose Aldersgate's Location:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Wells%20Fargo>

**You are invited to sign-up and join us for our annual Youth Spring Retreat!** We will be heading down to Camp Pecometh from Friday, April 26- Saturday April 27, for a time filled with worship, fellowship, rock climbing, ziplining, and more! We would love for youth to join us for this incredible opportunity. RSVP with Pam Downey at [pam.downey@aldersgatede.org](mailto:pam.downey@aldersgatede.org).

**Join us for our Worship Concert, *When in Our Music, God Is Glorified*,** on Sunday, April 28 at 10 AM. You will hear Chancel Choir, the Gateway Ringers, Aldersgate Brass, the Journey Band, Vocal Impact, and more!

**The Ministry Academy is Sunday, April 28,** after our one Unified Worship Concert at 10 AM. This will provide detailed information sessions from our committees and group ministries that you wish to hear more about or serve on. Represented committees: Gather, Grow, Go, Trustees, SPRC, Finance, Communications, and The Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development.

**UWF Spring Program will be Sunday May 5th at 12:30.** Deacon Connie Hastings will be presenting from her forthcoming book *The Trouble with Jesus*. Lunch will be provided. ALL ARE INVITED! We will be collecting non-perishable food for the Aldersgate Little Pantry as our Spring Service Project. Please sign up after service or <https://eeumw.wufoo.com/forms/uwf-spring-program/>.

**The Aldersgate Brass** is playing in a May 5 concert at Silverside Church at 3 pm. Admission is free with donations accepted to benefit the Christina Cultural Arts Center.

**Impact:** Youth aged 6th grade through 12th grade are invited to join us for Impact. Join us every Wednesday, 6-7:30 PM, for games, fellowship, and Bible study!

**Impact Volunteers** – Pam Downey is looking for adults who can help with Impact each week. The time commitment is Wednesday evenings from 5:50 – 7:30. Can you help once a month and get to know this fun and energetic group of kids? Please contact Pam if you can volunteer: [pam.downey@aldersgatede.org](mailto:pam.downey@aldersgatede.org).

**2024 GRADUATES** – Are you graduating from high school, college, a master's program, or other degree in 2024? If so, please contact Kyle Smith at [kyle.smith@aldersgatede.org](mailto:kyle.smith@aldersgatede.org) and let us know so we can recognize and celebrate YOU! Deadline is May 13, 2024, Graduation Sunday is May 19, at both worship services.

**Pastor Sa will have open office hours** on Thursday mornings, from 10-12. This is a time for you to be able to have a conversation with Pastor Sa. To arrange the time with her, please email [kyunghhee.sa@aldersgatede.org](mailto:kyunghhee.sa@aldersgatede.org)

**The Front Red Doors** will be open on Sunday mornings, weather permitting. We want to encourage everyone to use the doors to provide a welcoming gesture to the community.



**Become a member of Aldersgate UMC!** Our next new member class is May 5, 12:15 PM, in Room 237. In this class we will answer your questions about Aldersgate and the United Methodist church and introduce you to the ministries and people in our congregation.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Vacation Bible School - August 5-9, Optional dinner 5:30 PM, 'Scuba' fun! 6 -7:30 PM.

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## CALENDAR

### **Sunday, April 21, 2024 -**

9:00a Contemporary Worship Service, Sanctuary  
10:05-10:50 MINISTRY FAIR, Auditorium  
11:00 Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
3:00p Touch-A-Truck, Parking Lot

### **Monday, April 22, 2024**

5:30p Wilmington Drama Kids, MC  
6:00 What's Up Meeting; Auditorium  
7:00 Troop #67; FH, RR

### **Tuesday, April 23, 2024**

8:00a-4:00p Blood Drive; Auditorium  
7:00p Lead Team, 237

### **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**

1:00p Staff Meeting, 237  
6:00 IMPACT, SMC  
6:30 Brass Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
7:00 Cub Scouts; 237, Aud., FH, RR, MC  
7:30 Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

### **Thursday, April 25, 2024**

10:00a Disciple, 237  
6:00p Girl Scout Troop #129, 137  
6:00 Journey Band, Sanctuary  
7:30 Handbells, Handbell Room

### **Friday, April 26, 2024**

### **Saturday, April 27, 2024**

# Spring Worship Concert

Aldersgate United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 28, 2024

10 AM

Chancel Choir, Gateway Ringers,  
Aldersgate Brass, Journey Band, Vocal Impact,  
John Packard and Susan Ryan

Director of Music Ministry - Anastasiia Sidorova

Associate Director of Music - Mark Sobol

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