Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Baptism of the Lord Sunday 1st Sunday After Epiphany

Broadcast Live to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

Sunday, January 11, 2026 10:00 a.m.

As we prepare for worship, let us be in prayer and meditation.
Please "Check In" on social media, then set all electronic devices to silent mode.
Remember to sign the attendance pad.
The Offering Box is located in the Sanctuary entryway.

Prelude Prelude on "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Young
Stephen Cook

Chimes

Introit "Light of the World, We Hail Thee" William Walker
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** *Leanne Baroldi, Lay Reader*

Leader: Creator God, giver of life and light, we praise you.
People: As you spoke to Jesus at his baptism, speak to us now.

Leader: Loving God, prepare our hearts and minds in this time of worship.
People: In the baptism of your Son, may we receive your living waters.

Leader: Redeeming God, lead us to new life in you.
People: Come, pour out your power upon us, and transform us according to your grace.

***Opening Hymn** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing " Red Hymnal **#400**

The Word for Children

**The congregation standing, if able.*

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

Anthem "Jesus, the Light of the World" Evelyn Simpson Curenton
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Scripture Lesson *Leanne Baroldi, Lay Reader*

Isiah 43:5-9
*Matthew 3:13-17
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn of Preparation** "O Gladsome Light" Red Hymnal **#686**

Sermon "The Power of the Light" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version Red Hymnal #**881**

Special Music Passagalia in G Minor ("Guardian Angel"), "Rosary Sonatas" No. XVI
by Heinrich Ignaz Franz von Biber, arr. Michel Von Loh
Michel Von Loh, Guitar

***Closing Hymn** "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright" Red Hymnal **#247**

***Benediction** *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Benediction Response** "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" *(v. 3)* Red Hymnal **#251**

Refrain
Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

Verse 3
Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.

Refrain
Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

Postlude "How Brightly Shines the Morning Star"" J.S. Bach
Stephen Cook

**The congregation standing, if able*

The altar flowers today are given in memory of Larry Jelinek by Sandy and Lauren Jelinek.

The Church of the Good Shepherd Announcements

The Celebration of Life for Fran Syverson is today at 1:00 pm at Westminster Gardens, Packard Hall, 1420 Santo Domingo Avenue, Duarte.

Today we are celebrating **The Joy of Epiphany!** Greater San Gabriel Mission Area Gathering **is from 4-6:00pm at Sierra Madre UMC.** Enjoy a Potluck Soup & Salad Dinner and assemble Hygiene Kits for UMCOR. Good Shepherd has been assigned toothbrushes and soaps as our contribution.

Former CGS pastor, **Jim McCormick,** will be turning **90 years old on January 17th.** His family invites folks who knew him to send birthday greetings and messages to him at: 100 Crestwicke Trace, Atlanta, GA 30319. Or, there is also an "ecard" set up: https://ecardforest.com/card/?token=3.d25jeWRsbGVCIiwidyI6MX0._H0faKfPkYhyNcavTnKo-5OWx50q2UnzDREw72MNLvQ.

Have you turned in your **2026 Pledge** yet? We are still shy of our goal. The budget relies fundamentally on Pledges to support maintenance, staff and activities each year. Contact the office if you need another pledge card, (626-447-2181) or stop by Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Shepherds Fellowship Group is meeting Tuesday, January 13th at 6:00pm in the hall for a Soup and Salad Potluck.

The Women's Book Group meets Wednesdays at 11:30 am in the Library. The current selection is The Queen of Paris about the designer, Coco Chanel.

SCAM Alert! Be continually aware! Delete any **spam** or **fake emails and texts** from hackers impersonating Pastor Eva or any church staff.

Sundays at Good Shepherd

- 8:30 a.m. or TBD Chancel Choir
- 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School Class
- 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Nursery Care available for infants and toddlers
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School Classes for Children and Youth
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship for all in the Hall after worship
- 11:30 a.m. Children's Choir, Youth Bells Choir
- 12:30 p.m. Youth Choir

We also offer luncheons, forums, meetings, and new member sessions on various Sundays. Please visit the church website or scan the QR code for more info on events, ministries, and online giving.

Ministers: Members of the Congregation
Resident Bishop: Bishop Rev. Dr. Dottie Escobedo-Frank
District Superintendent: Rev. Moonyoung Lee
Pastor: Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry: Franklyn Shen
Director of Music Ministries: Stephen Cook
Director of the Good Shepherd Children's Center: Linda Bro

Mission Statement: At Church of the Good Shepherd, God calls us to welcome all to a vibrant community on a continuing journey of Faith, Growth, Justice, and Service in the image of Christ.