Church of the Good Shepherd

United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost and Pastor Appreciation Sunday

Sunday, October 15, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Broadcast Live to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

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.

Prelude "Higher Ground" arr. Joseph Prentiss
Stephen Cook, Director of Music

The Chimes

Introit "Glorify Thy Name" by Donna Adkins
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** (based on Psalm 63:1-4) *Craig Lucas, Lay Reader*

Leader: O God, you are our god and we earnestly seek you.
People: Our souls thirst for you; as in a dry and weary land.

Leader: So we look upon you in the Sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.
People: Because your steadfast love is better than life.

Leader: We praise you and give thanks for you.
People: And in our name we lift up our hears ad souls to you, always and forever.

***Opening Hymn** "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" Red UM Hymnal #**79**

Children's Song "This is the Day" (based on Psalm 118:24) by Burrows
Children's Choir; Diane Lucas, Director; Janice Clark, Accompanist

The Word for Children **Children are invited to come sit in the front.*

Pastoral Prayer *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

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.

Anthem "As Torrents in Summer" by Edward Elgar
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Scripture Lessons *Craig Lucas, Lay Reader*

Isaiah 12:1-3
2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "I Will Call upon the Lord" Black Songbook TFWS #**2002**

Sermon Message "A Season of Comfort" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Anthem Response "I Will Never Be the Same Again" by Geoff Bullock
Chancel Choir Section Leaders; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Red UM Hymnal #**462**

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Red UM Hymnal **#431**

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God our Creator, children all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow; to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Postlude "Prelude in G Major" by J.S. Bach
Stephen Cook

**The congregation standing, if able.*

The Chancel Flowers this morning are given by Staff Parish Relations Committee in appreciation for Pastor Eva's ministry and our CGS Staff.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Opportunities to Serve in Worship - Pastor Eva and the Worship Committee are welcoming volunteers to serve in various ways to help with our worship service. There are many opportunities to participate, including Lay Reader, Usher, Sanctuary Set-up, Video Crew, Choirs and Bell Choirs.

Fall Family Game Day and BBQ is this evening from 5 to 7:00 pm! The Good Shepherd Children's Center is hosting this event of fellowship, fun, games, and BBQ with all the fixings. Free event thanks to a grant from the Good Shepherd Foundation.

Crafters Boutique! Offering their creations for sale on **Sunday, October 15th and 22nd.** Come see their wonderful selections. You can pre-shop for Christmas! Birthdays! Yourself!

Used **Book Sale – UWF/Sarah Circle –** will be held two Sundays, **October 22nd and 29th!** We now have a great selection. We welcome financial donations, too!. Just memo your check "Book Sale."

It's time for the **No-Bake Bake Sale – Sarah Circle Fundraiser through end of the month.** Yes, instead of buying supplies and making/baking your treats to donate, you can write a check for what you might have spent. Make it out to Sarah Circle and put "Bake Sale" in your memo line. Bring to church or mail in to the office.

New Members Class with Pastor Eva! Pastor Eva will offer the New Member Classes this Fall for persons who are interested in joining Church of the Good Shepherd**. Class #1** will be on **Sunday, Oct. 22nd at 11:30-12:30 in the Library or on Monday, Oct. 23rd via Zoom 6:00-7:00pm. Class #2 will be on Sunday, Nov. 5th at 11:30-12:30 in the Library or on Monday, Nov. 6th via Zoom 6:00-7:00pm.** Plan attending both Classes #1 & 2 (or make arrangements with Pastor Eva if these dates do not work for you). Current members are invited, too. Please RSVP to PastorEva@cgsum.org or call the church office (626) 447-2181.

A Closer Look at the CGS Foundation will be presented by the Board of Directors on **Sunday, October 29th at 11:30 am in Jordan Hall.** Lunch will be served. RSVP to president@cgsfoundation.org by Friday, October 27th. See flyer and newsletter for complete info.

Trunk or Treat is Tuesday, October 31st – 6:30 to 8:00 pm! Come out and join us in the west parking lot for our annual celebration. Sign up (through Lynn Whitaker - vlwhit@sbcglobal.net) for space to park your decorated vehicle. Tell your neighbors and friends. Give out treats to the children and see all their fun costumes. There's a puppet show at 7:00 pm, too!

Flu Shots are being offered on **Sunday, October 29th at 12"30 pm.** USC Arcadia Hospital is offering the shots through our parish nurse program. These are specifically for adults ages 18 – 64. Those over 65 should obtain their vaccinations through your pharmacy or health care provider.

Huntington Hospital is presenting a series of Zoom events highlighting various medical issues. The free programs will begin at 12:30 pm on Wednesdays – October 25th, November 1st, 15th, 29th, and December 13th. Details and registration information in The Word.

2023 Altar Flowers – To sign up for altar flowers, enter your information in the Flower Chart in the narthex or call the church office. Cost is **$60** (check, cash, or online).

Remember to send your articles, announcements, etc. to **The Word** editor, Stephanie Shen at cgsarcadianewsletter@gmail.com by 3:00 pm Fridays. And for **Master Calendar** requests or changes, please contact Carolyn Noonchester at cgsmastercalendar@gmail.com and please allow time for response.

October 15th – Staff Appreciation Lunch and Children's Center Family BBQ
October 15th & 22 nd - Crafters Boutique
October 22nd & 29th - Book Fair
October 29th - CGS Foundation Forum & Luncheon
October 29th - Flu Shots
October 31st - Trunk or Treat!
Ongoing through November 2nd - Children's Center's Fill the Bowl Project for Humane Society

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 Brown

Church of the Good Shepherd Mission:
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.