Church of the Good Shepherd

United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 12, 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 the silent mode.
Remember to sign the attendance pad.

Prelude "My Jesus I Love Thee" arr. McKibben
Stephen Cook, Music Director

The Chimes

Introit "Drop, Drop Slow Tears" Orlando Gibbins

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** (based on Psalm 95) *Michael Chesnut, Lay Reader*

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
Many: let us shout aloud to the Rock of Our Salvation.

Leader: Let us come before him with thanksgiving,
Many: for the Lord is the great King above all gods.

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship before the Lord.
Many: for we are the people of his pasture, and the flock under his care.

***Opening Hymn** "Stand Up and Bless the Lord" *(vs. 1-4)* Red UM Hymnal **#662**

The Word for Children **Children are invited to come sit in the front.*
Anthem "Be Thou My Vision"
Carillon Ringers, Carolyn Noonchester, Director

The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer *(Unison)*

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.

Scripture Lessons Psalm 95:1-7 *Michael Chesnut, Lay Reader*
*John 4:5-26
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

Anthem "Worthy is the Lamb" Don Wyrtzen
Chancel Choir, Kirk Averitt, Director

***Hymn of Preparation** "The First One Ever" Red UM Hymnal **#276**

Sermon Message "To Live Inside Out: Receiving and Giving"
Rev. Thai-Erwin

Special Music "The Blessing of Light" Mark Sirett
Chancel Choir Section Leaders

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" Red UM Hymnal **#152**

***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 "Improvisation on Come, Ye Faithful Raise the Strain", arr. Fedak

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Masks are not required but are highly recommended.

Shepherds' March 14th Meeting will have a program by a representative from Lancer's Pantry. Since we donated food on Have a Heart Sunday, they are requesting donations of travel size toiletries. The entire congregation is invited to come and hear the program. Our dinner at 6:00 pm will feature baked potatoes with goodies. Bring your own dishes and utensils. Please RSVP to Dave Raymond at diraymond66@gmail.com or text to 626-260-3068 by March 13. You may volunteer hosting or a food assignment.

Bagpiper is visiting CGS! The Children's Center is having piper, John McClean Allen to perform and even teach a little jig. Everyone is invited to come for this fun presentation on **Wednesday, March 15th at 10:00 am in Jordan Hall.**

Sierra Service Project (SSP) Stock is on Sale!
Support our youth. Funds raised help support the costs of this summer's trip, which will be to Sacramento. The projects they will work on include home repairs for low-income residents, installation of drought-tolerant landscapes, and neighborhood beautification. Thank you for investing in the youth by purchasing SSP Stock!

Year-Round Grant Applications for 2023 are Being Accepted by the CGS Foundation.
Happy New Year, everyone!! Although we at the CGS Foundation are a little late in offering this greeting, please know that we are very excited about this new year and what is in store for our wonderful church.

- We are inviting **YOU** to help move our church forward by applying for a **2023 Year-Round CGS Foundation Grant** for your church program, project or event. That's right . . . we are "open for business!" Remember . . . the purpose of a requested grant must be *"aid, promotion, and development of the religious, charitable, and educational activities, purposes, functions and progress to the Church of the Good Shepherd UMC, Arcadia."*
- The process is simple and quick. All grant applications must be submitted online only using the **Foundation Online Grant Form –** see the link provided in The Word. Online grant application assistance will be provided when requested.

Upcoming Events!

- **April 2nd Palm Sunday Worship – Special Choir Music**
- **April 9th Easter Sunday Worship Services**
  6:00 am in Courtyard Sunrise Service let by Youth Group
  10:00 am Sanctuary Service with Choirs and Brass Ensemble
  Easter Egg Hunt for Children - Fellowship and Refreshments

Family Promise Fundraiser is April 15th (9:00 am – 12:00 pm) The Walking Group will be signing up walkers and donors in the courtyard after worship. Registration is only $25 per person and includes a bib, food, water, and opportunity drawings for donated items from local businesses.

2023 Altar Flowers To sign up for altar flowers, just enter your information in the flower chart in the narthex, or call the church office, 626-447-2181. Cost is **$60**. Make your check payable to "Church of the Good Shepherd," with *Altar Flowers* in the memo line. (Or you may pay for flowers online through the church website.)

Our newsletter, **The Word,** has a new Editor, Stephanie Shen. Please email any articles, announcements, or photos to her at **cgsarcadianewsletter@gmail.com** by 3:00 p.m. Fridays for the next week's newsletter.

For **Master Calendar** requests or changes, please contact Carolyn Noonchester at **cgsmastercalendar@gmail.com** and please allow time for response as we are working on improving the church calendar system.

Ministers: Members of the Congregation
Resident Bishop: Bishop Rev. Dr. Dottie Escobedo-Frank
District Superintendent: Siosaia Tuitahi
Pastor: 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.