Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
5th Sunday of Easter
Heritage and Communion Sunday
Broadcast Live to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

May 3, 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 "Mazurka in A minor" by Frederic Chopin
Stephen Cook

Chimes

Introit "The Holy (excerpt)" by Stephen Adams
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Greeting *David Steinmeier, Worship Leader*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** *David Steinmeier, Worship Leader*

Leader: Come to us, Risen Christ,
People: come through the closed doors of our hearts and minds and take away our fears and doubts.

Leader: Come to us, Risen Christ,
People: breathe on us and fill us with the joy and peace of your presence.

Leader: Bless us all as people who have not seen you,
People: but who come wanting to believe that you are truly the Risen Christ, Son of God. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** "Christ is Alive" Red UM Hymnal #**318**

Children's Message *Cindy Ostry, Christian Education Director*

**The congregation standing, if able.*

Pastoral Prayer and 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 "His Peace Will Come" by Craig Curry
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

***Offertory and Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Red Hymnal #**94**

Scripture Lesson *David Steinmeier, Worship Leader*

1 Peter 1:3-9

*John 20:19-31

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

***Hymn of Preparation** "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" Red UM Hymnal #**632**

Sermon "In Case You Missed It" *Rev. Dr. Hillary Chrisley*

The Sacrament of Holy Communion *See Insert*

Special Music "In Remembrance of Me" by Courtney & Red
Carolyn Noonchester, Soloist

Announcements *David Steinmeier, Worship Leader*

***Closing Hymn** "I Love to Tell the Story" *(vs. 1, 3 & 4)* Red UM Hymnal #**156**

***Benediction** *Rev. Dr. Hillary Chrisley*

***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 **"**God is Our Refuge and Strength" arr. Powell
Stephen Cook

**The congregation standing, if able*

The altar flowers this morning are in celebration of Mike and Penny Hoover's 60th wedding anniversary and in loving memory of John Zessau by the Zessau family.

The Church of the Good Shepherd Announcements

Much appreciation to Rev. Dr. Hillary Chrisley for her preaching today and leading us in Holy Communion.

This coming Sunday, May 10th, is **Mother's Day!** We will also be celebrating Children's Baptisms and there will be music from the Tenors and Basses of the Chancel Choir.

Attention High School Seniors! We would like to highlight your achievements and celebrate your accomplishments in the June 7th Worship Bulletin. Please email a bio (including plans for the fall), a senior portrait, and one baby picture to fnjshen@sbcglobal.net by May 17th.

Mark your calendars and spread the word! **VBS at CGS will be July 20-24, 5:30pm to 8:00pm including dinner!** 3 years to 5th grade participants welcome. As are volunteer's 6th grade and up! More details and registration will be available in May. Mark your calendar now! Share with your family and friends!

The **Book Group** gathers on Wednesdays at 11:30 am in the library!

Crafters meets every **Wednesday afternoon** from **2-4:00 pm in the church Library.** If you knit, crochet, embroider, paint, quilt, make jewelry, or do any other craft, join us! We are gearing up for our Fall Boutique.

Note that beginning **June 1, 2026**, the Newsletter will be published **every other week.**

Altar flower arrangements are available in celebration of or in memory of a special person or event and may be ordered through the church office (626-447-2181) or via email to swright@cgsum.org. The cost is $65.

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, contact Carolyn Noonchester at cgsmastercalendar@gmail.com and please allow time for response.

Save these Dates!

- May 10th - Mother's Day and Baptism Sunday
  (Please contact pastoreva@cgsum.org for Baptism info.)
- May 17th - All Music Sunday
- May 21st - UWF Fundraiser @ Alex DiPeppe's
- May 24th - Pentecost Sunday & Potluck Lunch

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 Brown

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.

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The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving TFWS #**2257-a**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord .
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
It is right to give God our praise.

God, we thank you and we praise you, for out of darkness you bring light.
Out of slavery you bring a people to freedom.
In our wandering, you lead us to new life.
You forgive our sin, heal our wounds, and re-direct our living.
With each breath you re-create us, set us free, and invite us to start anew.
Therefore with all Creation we sing your praise:

Sanctus Red UM Hymnal #17

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are all who come in your name, and blessed is Jesus, the Risen Lord
who healed the broken, fed the hungry, and gathered the outcast.
He suffered for the sake of love, and was crucified.
But you raised him from the dead.
He breathes his Spirit into us, the Spirit of grace and mercy.
He sends us out in his Spirit for the sake of new, transformed lives.
Our acts of love and forgiveness is his living Presence in the world.
In this meal we ourselves are nourished by his loving promise
to be with us forever.

On the night in which he gave himself for us Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body.”

And so we receive the Bread of Life
In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, blessed it with thanks and gave it to them, saying, “Drink of this, all of you. This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, in a new Covenant, which is the forgiveness of sin.” And so, we receive the Cup of Life. As long as we break this bread and share this cup, we remember his death and resurrection, until he comes again. Therefore, remembering these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves as a living and holy sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Memorial Acclamation Red UM Hymnal #**18**

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

You pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and cup,
and they become the body and blood of Christ.
Breathe your Holy Spirit into us, that we may be for the world the Body of Christ,
risen from our brokenness and death, risen from anger, fear, and judgment, free to love, by the power of your Spirit alone, in this moment and in eternal life.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Red UM Hymnal #**18**