Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

5th Sunday After Pentecost and John Wesley's Birthday
Broadcast Live to Facebook/CGSUM and to CGSUM.ORG

June 28, 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 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" arr. Hoekstra
Stephen Cook

Chimes

Introit "With Prayer and Supplication" by Amy Beach
Summer Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** *Ernie Jensen, Lay Reader*

One: Know, O friends, our God is one God.
Many: God is the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.

One: See, O friends, how we are all people of God.
Many: We come together to praise, to follow, and to serve.

One: Listen, O friends, Jesus calls us to be faithful disciples.
Many: And may we always answer boldly "Here I am Lord."

***Opening Hymn** "Here I Am, Lord" Red UM Hymnal #**593**

Children's Message
Children are invited to come sit in the front.

**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 "Give Me a Clean Heart" by Margaret Pleasant Douroux
Summer Choir; Susan Holder, Soloist; Kirk Averitt, Director

Scripture Lesson *Ernie Jensen, Lay Reader*

Psalm 89:1-4

*Matthew 28:16-20

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

***Hymn of Preparation** "I Love to Tell the Story" Red UM Hymnal #**156**

Sermon "Stories that Matter: The Great Commission" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Special Music "Pavane, op. 50" Gabriel Fauré ,arr. Charles Duncan
Michel Von Loh and David Steinmeier, Guitarists

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "Go, Make of All Disciples" Red UM Hymnal #**571**

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

***Benediction Response** "Pass It On" *(v. 3)* Red UM Hymnal #**572**

I wish for you, my friend, this happiness I've found;
you can depend on him, it matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountaintop; I want my world to know;
the Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

Postlude "Trumpet Voluntary" by Gordon Young
Stephen Cook

**The congregation standing, if able*

 *Altar flowers today are given in loving memory of Ila Harris by Jennie Mendel.*

The Church of the Good Shepherd Announcements

Buy SSP Stock! Yes, you can add your monetary support to our youth and help fund their mission trip to Arizona this summer. **On sale today and the next 3 Sundays after worship!** And . . . . . more good news - **SSP Bake Sale on July 19th after service!**

Summer Choir has begun! All are welcome to join us Sunday mornings for 9:00 am rehearsal and then add our voices to worship. No robes! Great fellowship!

Aloha colorful summer attire for the summer has begun! Wear your Hawaiian or colorful clothing to worship during this season.

We are very happy to announce a special musical opportunity coming to CGS. The **Zanaida Stewart Robles Singers Summer Choir Intensive** is being offered right here on our campus! It is open to **all singers** who want to sharpen their abilities and takes place the week of **July 13th through 19th.** It culminates with the singers presenting their repertoire as the worship service on July 19th. There will be evening rehearsals and Saturday dress rehearsal. For more information and to register: zanaidarobles.com/zsr-singers-summer-choral-intensive-2026/.

Vacation Bible School! "Snowball Mountain Challenge"! July 20-24, 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm and includes dinner! Children 3 years to 5th grade participants are welcome. 6th grade and up. Fun for grandkids, neighbors and friends! See today's insert. Register online or pick up forms in the narthex and drop off or send to the church office with your payment.

YAY! IT'S TIME FOR GOOD SHEPHERD AT THE QUAKES BASEBALL GAME! Saturday, August 1st, 6:30 pm. Group tickets are $13 each along the 1st base side. Great view of the mountains and in the shade. Family entertainment with mascots Tremor and After **572**Shock. Contact Margaret Blair (kdblair@earthlink.net) by July 23rd with the number of tickets you desire and your email address. Tickets can be printed & scanned. Pay with cash or checks (payable to Margaret Blair) and hand to her at church or leave in the church office.

Foothill Unity's Back to School Supply Drive has begun. CGS has long supported this organization that serves needs in the San Gabriel Valley. There is a donation box in the narthex with a list of the items being requested. You may also contribute financially online or using the QR code shown on the box.

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.

**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!

- July 5th - Independence Day Sunday
- July 19th - SSP Team Blessing & Bake Sale and Zanaida Stewart Robles Singers in Worship
- July 20th-24th - Vacation Bible School
- August 16th - BBQ Lunch after Worship in the Chapel!

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.