# *Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church*

## 11th Sunday after Pentecost
## Summer Chapel Service, August 9, 2026

*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 card in the pew pocket.*

**Prelude** "Bridgewater" by Lewis Edson (1782)
*Lilia Ensemble*

**Introit** "Tristis Est Anima Mea" by Juan Guitiérrez de Padilla (1590-1645)
*Lilia Ensemble*

**Welcome and Passing of the Peace** *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

***Call To Worship** *Chris Holder*, *Lay Reader*

Leader: The psalmist calls us to worship saying: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it.
**People: For God founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.**

Leader: One thing you have spoken O Lord, two things I have heard.
**People: That you, O God, are strong; and that You, O Lord, are loving.**

Leader: At Jesus' invitation and by His grace:
**People: Come, let us worship the Lord our God now and forever!**

***Opening Hymn** "Morning Has Broken" Hymnal #**145**

**The Word for Children** *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

**Anthem** "To the Holy Spirit" by Malcolm Dalglish (1995)
*Lilia Ensemble*

**Scripture Lesson** Ephesians 4:14-16 *Chris Holder, Lay Reader*

*14 We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming; 15 but speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.*

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

***Hymn of Preparation** "What Does the Lord Require" Hymnal #**441**

**Message** Sharing a Favorite Scripture Passage *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

**Special Music** "Millbrook" by Neely Bruce (1989)
*Lilia Ensemble*

**Please stand as you are able.*

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

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

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 our thanks and praise.**

**Prayer after Communion & 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.**

**Announcements** *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "The Church's One Foundation" Hymnal **#545**

***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** "New Jerusalem" by Jeremiah Ingalls (1796)

**Please stand as you are able.*

***The altar flowers this morning are given in celebration of Addie (Adrienne) Lucas Mulligan's birthday by Diane and Craig Lucas.***

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**Announcements of Faith, Growth, Justice, and Service**

- Please join us after worship for Coffee, Tea, and Refreshments in the Fellowship Hall!
- Nursery Care is available at 9:30am; Children & Youth Sunday School Classes meet after the Children's Message; Adult Sunday School is on summer break until September.
- Visit the church website (www.cgsum.org) for bi-monthly newsletter and events info.

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**Summertime Worship at Good Shepherd**

- **August 16th – Chapel -Youth will share their SSP experience and provide lunch!**
- **August 23rd, 30th, and September 6th – Worship Services continue in the Chapel**
- **September 13th – Return to the Sanctuary for Worship**

## *Church of the Good Shepherd Announcements*

The Lilia Ensemble has provided our worship music today and we thank them for sharing their gifts with us.

Please note that **2026 Half Year Giving Statements** for all tithes, pledges, and donations made through June 30th have been emailed (and paper mailed to those without email). If you have questions or need a printed copy, please contact the church office.

**The Sierra Service Project Participants** have returned from Arizona! They will lead worship next Sunday, **August 16th.** Don't miss their testimony and sharing about the SSP experience. Save your appetite, too, for the delicious BBQ the Youth will be hosting following worship!

**The Adult Sunday School/Bible Study** is off for the summer and **resumes September 6th.**

**Crafters** meets every **Wednesday afternoon** from **2-4:00 pm in the church Library.** Bring your skills and projects and fellowship together. We are creating items for our Fall Boutique.

**Remember that the newsletter is now published every two weeks.** Upcoming dates are: August 10th and 24th; September 7th and 21st; October 5th and 19th; November 2nd and 16th; and December 1st and 14th.

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**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.

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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.***