Church of the Good Shepherd

United Methodist

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 28, 2024 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 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" arr. Dawane Stamper
Franklyn Shen, Piano

The Chimes

Introit "Morning Alleluia" by J.L. Clark
Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director; Franklyn Shen, Accompanist

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** **(**adapted from Discipleship Ministries, Nov. 2023 CTW)
Katie Lee and Hannah Ng, Lay Readers

One: Easter people, we have been saved by the Risen Christ, the life-giving Vine.
Many: He is the life-giving Vine, and we abide in his love.

One: We are the branches of the Vine – sustained, nurtured, and pruned by Love.
Many: We have no life apart from Love, and are called to share Christ's Love.

One: We make our home in him, and he makes a home in us.
Many: And together we love, learn, rest, work, and play in community with God and one another.

***Opening Hymn** "Let All Things Now Living" Black Songbook #**2008**

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

Anthem "Exultation" by Ingram
Exultation, noun, the utterance of sounds expressing great joy.
Youth Bells; Carolyn Noonchester, Director

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 "Fill-a Me Up" by Pepper Choplin
Youth Choir; Janice Clark, Director, Franklyn Shen, Accompanist

Scripture Lesson *Katie Lee and Hannah Ng, Lay Readers*

Psalm 22:25-31
*John 21:15-19
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "Come and Find the Quiet Center" Black Songbook #**2128**

Sermon Message "Take Time to Love Jesus!" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love"
Black Songbook #**2223**

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

***Benediction Response** "A Closing Prayer" Don Besig

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in thy grace.
Wherever life may take us as we go our sep'rate ways,
Help us share with others the things we've shared today.

May the peace of God the Father, and the love of Christ, His son
Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us, each one.
May the blessings of the spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again.
A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men. A—men.

Postlude "Come, Thou Fount" Traditional, arr. Sharon Wilson
Franklyn Shen, Piano

***The congregation standing, if able.*

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Note – Pastor Eva's Presentation on the United Methodist General Conference has been moved to next Sunday, May 5th. It will take place in the Fellowship Hall after worship from **11:30-12:30 pm.**

United Women in Faith Fundraiser begins this Thursday, May 2nd! Alex Di Peppe's Italian Restaurant in Arcadia is the place, and ***every Thursday in May*** are the dates. See the flyer for more information.

Sarah Circle Meeting – Thursday, May 2nd at 6:30 pm in Jordan Hall will feature guest speaker, **Karen Roberson, board member of Family Promise.** As you are aware, our congregation has a long, close relationship with this wonderful, compassionate organization. All women are invited to join us.

Sierra Service Project Stock Still Available! Take part in supporting our Youth by purchasing stock. Visit their table after worship.

Infant and Child Baptisms will take place during our worship service on Mother's Day, May 12th. Please email PastorEva@cgsum.org for more information.

New Members will be received on Sunday, May 19th during the Pentecost and Music Sunday Service! Please contact Pastor Eva if you would like to join the church.

Adult Sunday School meets Sundays from 9:00-9:45 am in the Library. All are welcome! A new series has begun today on Wisdom Literature: "The Human Experience" and be looking at the book of Ecclesiastes. Co-teachers are Carolyn Iga and Don Thorsen. Contact Carolyn (carolyniga@gmail.com) or Don (donthorsen@alumni.stanford.edu) for class information.

2024 Altar Flowers – The cost for flowers is **$65**. Payment is via check, cash or online. Checks should be made out to Church of the Good Shepherd, with "Flowers" in the memo line. To place your request, please contact Suzanne Wright in the church office by phone, or email: swright@cgsum.org. Orders go to florist on Thursdays.

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.

LOOKING AHEAD!

May 2nd - Arcadia Interfaith National Day of Prayer 7:00pm at The Santa Anita Church
May 12th - Mother's Day Worship Service – including Infant and Children Baptisms
May 19th - Pentecost – Music Ministry Sunday, Youth Confirmation,
Reception of New Members and
Celebration of CGS members who are 90 and above!

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.