# Church of the Good Shepherd

## United Methodist

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost and Holy Communion Sunday

Sunday, August 13, 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 silent mode.*
*Remember to sign the attendance pad.*

**Prelude** Meditation on "Let Us Break Bread Together" arr. Carl Simone
*Stephen Cook, Director of Music*

**The Chimes**

**Welcome and Greeting** *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

**Passing the Peace**

***Call to Worship** (adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual 2009)
*Margaret Blair, Lay Reader*

Leader: Rejoice, people of God. Jesus is in our midst!
**People: Feed us, Jesus, and fill us with hope.**

Leader: Be glad, friends, Jesus has bread and fish to spare.
**People: Free us, Jesus, from the pursuit of food that does not satisfy.**

Leader: Sing for joy, people of God;
**People: God gathers up the pieces of our lives, that nothing may be lost.**

**All: Thanks be to God!**

***Opening Hymn** "Break Thou the Bread of Life" Red UM Hymnal #**599**

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

**We come believing in our emptiness, believing that we will never have enough, believing that what we have is unworthy. We come fearful of sharing, fearful of touching and knowing the pain of others. We come overwhelmed by the hunger, overwhelmed by the suffering of children, overwhelmed by the endless tales of violence, greed, and death. We come aching from the weight of the responsibility, aching from the chilling challenge of knowing our abundance. We come clinging to our meager lunches; bless them, and us, break them, and us, share them, and us.**

**Anthem** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Thomas A. Dorsey
*Kirk Averitt, Soloist; Stephen Cook, Accompanist*

**Scripture Lessons** *Margaret Blair, Lay Reader*
Psalm 85:8-13
*Luke 9:10-17
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
**People: Thanks be to God**

***Hymn of Preparation** "Would I Have Answered When You Called"
Black Songbook TFWS **#2137**

**Sermon Message** "The Hungry Should Be Fed" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

**Response** "Offertory on Ebenezer" (God Hath Spoken by the Prophets) arr. Shackley
*Stephen Cook*

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Thanksgiving and Communion** **Red UM Hymnal pgs. 9-11**

**Receiving the Bread and Cup**
*Christ's table is open to all. All persons who wish to walk in new life with Christ are invited are invited to receive the wafer and juice, without regard to past history, denominational affiliation, or any of the wonderful ways that God has made each of us unique beings. Please come forward at the ushers' direction. You may go to the altar rail, kneel in prayer, and there receive the elements.*

**Hymn After Receiving** "Glory Be to the Father" Red UM Hymnal #**70**

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

**Closing Hymn** "All Who Hunger" Black Songbook TFWS #**2126**

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

***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** "Allegro Appassionata" Norman Lands
*Stephen Cook*

****The congregation standing, if able.*

***Chancel flowers today are given in memory of Flo Lucas' birthday by Craig Lucas.***

# The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Remember to respond to the **Pentecost 5 Questions Series - Question #3: What is your favorite Hymn? Please list 1-3 Hymns.** Turn in your answer/s to Pastor Eva in person or email to PastorEva@cgsum.org**.**

Please keep the **CGS Family Promise Team** and our guest family members in prayer this week as we once again are hosting "in person." Our guests will be with us each evening for dinner, then overnight, followed by breakfast each day. We are thankful to be able to host on campus again.

Coming **Sunday, August 27th** we will have special **worship in our beautiful Chapel!** Lots of hymns, and prayer time at the Prayer Votive Station. ***(Note that there will not be livestreaming of this service.)***

**September 27-29** a Leadership Institute, "Ignite" is being offered online. It's designed to equip, encourage, and inspire ministry leaders locally and worldwide. There will be worship, keynote speakers, practical sessions/webinars and time for reflection, networking, teambuilding and more. Our church has been registered to participate and viewing sessions will be presented in the church lounge or can be accessed online from home. Contact Pastor Eva if you are interested.

**Used Book Sale** coming in October. UWIF/Sarah Circle is bringing back the Book Sale in memory of Jackie Olson. For several years Jackie and her daughters organized these sales with proceeds going to missions. Donations of gently used **fiction and non-fiction** paperback and hardback books may be dropped off at the church office.

**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 online through the church website.

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 as we are working on improving the church calendar system.

***Save these Dates!***
***September 19th: UWIF/Sarah Circle Panera Fundraiser***
***October 1st and 8th: Used Book Sale***

**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.***