Church of the Good Shepherd
United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost and Youth Sunday

Sunday, August 6, 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 "Aria Pastorella" Valentin Rathgeber
Stephen Cook, Director of Music

The Chimes

Introit "Creation Sings the Father's Song" Getty and Townsend
Carolyn Noonchester, Soloist; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

Welcome and Greeting *Franklyn Shen, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** (based on Micah 6:8) *William Shen, Lay Reader*

Leader: God has told you, O Mortal, what is good.
People: What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?

Leader: It is good to be together, God, listening for your voice, and united by your Spirit.
People: In this time of worship, tell us about your kingdom of kindness so we may seek it.

Leader: Show us your justice and help us to walk humbly with you.
People: And may we be guided by your son Jesus Christ whose light shines upon us.

***Opening Hymn** "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Black Songbook TFWS #**2173**

The Word for Children *Kevin Snavely and Cindy Chow- Snavely*
**Children are invited to come sit in the front.*

Unison Prayer *Elle Quismorio*

O God of all creation, become for us once again the solid foundation upon which we build our daily lives. We gather before you, this first day of the week, to align our lives to the strong teaching and life of Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone. Receive our praise and thanksgiving as expressions of faith and loe. We come to you, O Lord, as people who desire to learn and serve like Christ. We are ready to receive your blessing and direction today. Amen.

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 "Be Thou My Vision" arr: Shackley
Stephen Cook, Piano

Scripture Lessons *Youth Readers*

Psalm 1:3, 96:12, Isaiah 55:12, *Matthew 13:1-2	Isabelle Chan
Matthew 13:3-9	Hannah Ng
Matthew 13:10-16	Sarah Veeraraj
Matthew 13:17-23	Kevin Shayam
Matthew 13:24-29	Felix Veeraraj
Matthew 13:30-35	Katie Lee

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "Make Me a Servant" Black Songbook TFWS #**2176**

Witness "Branching Out"
Kathleen Ng
Mackenzie Rios
Amber Pattison
Miranda Richenberger
Franklyn Shen

Anthem Response "Faithful God" Laura Story
Carolyn Noonchester, Soloist; Stephen Cook, Accompanist

***Closing Hymn** "The Trees of the Field" Black Songbook TFWS **#2279**

Announcements *Franklyn Shen*

***UMYF Benediction** *Kathleen Ng*

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
Now and forever more. Amen.

Postlude "Trumpet Postlude" James Southbridge
Stephen Cook

**The congregation standing, if able.*

Cancel flowers this morning are given: by Janice Eiler in memory of her parents, Arlene and Richard Briggs; and by Diane and Craig Lucas in honor of Addie Lucas' birthday.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Celebration of **Holy Communion** is moved to Sunday, **August 13th.**

Shepherds will have a traditional potluck dinner for the **August 8th** meeting in Jordan Hall at 6:00 pm. The featured program is **Sharing Your Faith Part 1"** and will be presented by John Neuner. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Lynne Whitaker by email (vlwhit@sbcglobal.net) or by other means by today at noon. You can volunteer a food assignment or she can give you one. You will need dishes. Water will be served.

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**.**

Your **CGS Family Promise Team** is excited to announce that CGS will be welcoming a guest family to our campus **August 13-20!** The family 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 **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!
August 20th: Church Council Meeting for Leaders
August 27th: 10AM Worship in the Chapel for this Sunday!
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.