Church of the Good Shepherd
United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
5th Sunday After Epiphany

Sunday, February 9, 2025 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.
The Offering Box is located in the Sanctuary entryway.

Prelude "Prelude in F Major" by Johann Albrechtsberger
Stephen Cook

The Chimes

Introit "We Gather Together" by Dan Bird
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Greeting *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** *Kim Reynolds, Lay Reader*

Leader: When the buzz of the world interrupts our lives,
People: call us into your way of life, O God.

Leader: When the desires of others cloud our sight,
People: lead us into your vision, O God.

Leader**:** When the cries of the oppressed pierce our hearts,
People: guide us in your example of living for others, O God.

All: And let us worship you together, O God.

***Opening Hymn** "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" Red UM Hymnal #**79**

**The congregation standing, if able.*

Anthem "Joyfully Sing" by Allen Pote
Children's Choir; Diane Lucas, Director; Janice Clark, Accompanist

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

Anthem "Jesus Loves Me!" arr. Wissinger
CGS Bells; Carolyn Noonchester, Director

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 "If My People Will Pray" by Jimmy Owens
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Scripture Lessons *Kim Reynolds, Lay Reader*

Psalm 138:1-3
*Luke 5:1-11
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "Thy Word Is a Lamp" Red UM Hymnal #**601**

Sermon "Gathering at the Lakeshore" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Special Music "I've Got Peace Like a River" by William J. Reynolds
Garrison Holder, Soloist

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" Red UM Hymnal #**344**

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

***Benediction Response** "May You Run and Not Be Weary" TFWS #**2281**

May you run and not be weary, may your heart be filled with song.
And may the love of God continue to give you hope and keep you strong.
And may you run and not be weary. May your life be filled with joy!
And may the road you travel always lead you home.

***Postlude** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" arr. Jordan
Stephen Cook

**The congregation standing, if able.*

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Fire Victims Assistance

Target Gift Cards

We are collecting Target gift cards for clothing and other immediate needs items. Please send gift cards of any denomination to the conference office for distribution: Denyse Barnes, c/o California-Pacific Annual Conference, P.O. Box 6006, Pasadena, CA 91102-6006.

Monetary Donations

We have set up a special fund – the Los Angeles Fires Recovery Fund – where you can contribute directly towards relief and recovery from the effects of the winds and firestorms this week: www.calpacumc.org/donate.

Check donations payable to the California-Pacific Conference can be mailed to California-Pacific Conference, Los Angeles Fires Recovery Fund, P.O. Box 6006, Pasadena CA 91102.

Shepherds Fellowship invites you and your friends to a presentation in Fellowship Hall given by the **Arcadia Police Department K-9 Program on Tuesday, February 11th at 6:30 pm.** Please arrive by 6:15 pm. The program will cover how dogs are chosen, trained and assigned to specific tasks. There will be baskets available to donate (cash or check) to the Arcadia Police Foundation which helps support the K-9 unit and other non-budgeted items.

The 2024 giving statements were emailed out on Friday the 24th and were mailed out the same day. Contact the church office (626)447-2181 if you have not received your copy.

2025 Pledge Cards are available in the narthex before worship and in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour. Cards may be placed in the offering box in the Sanctuary entryway or dropped off to the church mailbox anytime.

Family Promise Hosting will be February 15th through the 23rd. We will also be hosting again May 18th through the 25th.

SCAM Alert! Be cautious! Delete any **spam** or **fake emails and texts** from hackers impersonating Pastor Eva or any church staff. Pay attention to the sender's email address, which will not match the real one. If you are unsure about an email you have received, please contact the church office.

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.

Upcoming Events!

February 11th - Shepherds Fellowship with Arcadia Police K-9 Presentation
March 9th - United Women in Faith & Sarah Circle Sunday
March 30th - Combined Choir Concert "Faure Requiem"
June 1st - 80th Anniversary Event!

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.