Church of the Good Shepherd
United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Third Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 21, 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 "Prelude on 'Evan'" arr. Young
Stephen Cook, Director of Music

The Chimes

Introit "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" arr. Dan Bird

Welcome and Greeting *David Steinmeier*

Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship** (Larchmont UMC, Norfolk, VA) *David Steinmeier, Lay Reader*

Leader: God calls us amid our busy and distracted lives: "Pause a while and know that I am God."
People: God calls us from our lofty ambitions, our haughtiness, from our preoccupations and matters beyond our scope: "Let be and learn that I am God."
Leader: Come, behold the astounding things God has done in the world.
People: God is our shelter, our strength, ever ready to help in time of trouble, and in opportunity to grow.
Leader: People of God, hope in our God.
People: God is with us, now and forevermore!
All: Amen!

***Opening Hymn** "Lord of the Dance" Red UM Hymnal **#261**

The Word for Children *Rev. Dr. Yvonne Williams Boyd*
**Children are invited to come sit in the front.*

Anthem "Quiet Peace" Bob Burroughs
Carillon Ringers; Carolyn Noonchester, Director

Unison Prayer *(Wesley Covenant Prayer)* *Rev. Dr. Yvonne Williams Boyd*

"I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing, I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. The covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. 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 "How Can I Keep from Singing?" Gweneth Walker
Chancel Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Scripture Lessons Psalm 62:5-12 *David Steinmeier, Lay Reader*
*Mark 1:14-20
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "Open My Eyes, That I May See" Red UM Hymnal **#454**

Homily "Turning Towards God: To Take the Adventure"
Rev. Dr. Yvonne Williams Boyd

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

Announcements *David Steinmeier*

***Closing Hymn** "Go Forth for God" Red UM Hymnal **#670**

***Benediction** *Rev. Dr. Yvonne Williams Boyd*

***Benediction Response** "The Trees of the Field" Black TFWS #**2279**

(XX = Time to Clap!)

You shall go out with joy and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you;
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands XX
the trees of the field will clap their hands XX
the trees of the field will clap their hands XX while you go out with joy.

Postlude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Jordan
Stephen Cook

**The congregation standing, if able.*

Chancel Flowers today are given: in memory of Otto Brazier's birthday by Diane Lucas.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Please join us after worship in Jordan Hall for fellowship time with coffee, tea, and refreshments. The first presentation in the 2024 Forum Series begins right afterward. It will run from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. The forum is on **Estate Planning 101** and will be led by Craig Lucas. (Sponsored by the Finance Committee.) There will be information on Advanced Health Care Directives, Beneficiary Designations, Estate Taxes, and more.

Thank you to Reverend Dr. Yvonne Williams Boyd for serving as today's guest pastor. A lifelong Methodist, she grew up in Trinity UMC in Houston. She graduated from The American University with a bachelor's in political science, and Howard University Divinity School with a Master of Divinity. Rev. Boyd received her Deacon's and Elder's ordination from the Baltimore Annual Conference.

Rev Boyd transferred to the California Pacific Annual Conference in 1986. She has pastored at Holman UMC, Simi Valley UMC, and Altadena UMC. In 2014, Rev. Boyd transitioned to clinical chaplaincy. She served as a resident chaplain for Providence St. John's Hospital; and the clinical chaplain for Kaiser Permanente Hospital, West Los Angeles. She then pursued a Doctor of Ministry from Wesley Theological Seminary. Her dissertation is *Strength Through Elevating Sacred Acts of Kindness: Supporting Individuals Living with Sickle Cell*. Rev Boyd now serves as a clinical chaplain at the Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital.

Rev. Boyd is married to Dr. Homer Boyd, MD. They are the parents of one child, Emily Kirsten Boyd who is currently pursuing a PhD in Biomedical Science, at the Medical College of Wisconsin.

Church Committees – Our current committees are: Worship; Outreach; Christian Education; Health/Care Ministries; Fellowship Groups; ESL; Family Promise; Foundation; Staff Parish Relations; Finance; Trustees; and Communication/Innovation. How about joining one?

Confirmation Class for High School Students is now being offered. Youth Director Franklyn Shen will conduct classes Sunday mornings during Sunday School hour. Youth completing this class will be confirmed in church on Pentecost Sunday, May 19th, 2024!

Health Ministries providing Blood Pressure Screening Sunday, January 28 from 9:30 am–12 pm in the Lounge. It is important to your health to be aware of your blood pressure and to seek appropriate treatment if necessary. Please wear a short-sleeved blouse or shirt so your blood pressure can accurately be measured. If you already have high blood pressure, please avoid any caffeinated beverages until after your blood pressure is measured.

2024 Altar Flowers – The new cost for flowers beginning in 2024 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.

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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.