Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 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 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Leavitt
Stephen Cook, Director of Music

The Chimes

Introit "I Love You Lord" by Laura Klein
Summer Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Welcome and Passing of the Peace *Rev. Eva Thai-Erwin*

***Call to Worship** (by Rev. Garnaas-Holmes) *Margaret Blair, Lay Reader*

Leader God of abundance, you provide Creation, overflowing with life and beauty.
People: In awe we praise you.
Leader: Christ, you accompany us in our deepest struggles with infinite love and grace.
People: In gratitude we thank you.
Leader: Holy Spirit, you fill us with all the gifts we need to serve you with compassion and power.
People: In trust, we open ourselves to your presence. Alleluia!

***Opening Hymn** "God of Love and God of Power" Red UM Hymnal **#578**

The Word for Children *Rev. Thai-Erwin*
**Children are invited to come sit in the front.*

The congregation standing, if able.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

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 "Oh! What a Beautiful City" by Rollo Dilworth
Summer Choir; Kirk Averitt, Director

Scripture Lessons *Margaret Blair, Lay Reader*

2 Samuel 14:25-33

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

***Hymn of Preparation** "God Will Take Care of You" Red UM Hymnal **#130**

Sermon Message "Take Time to Worship: Confession" *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

Special Music "Wonderful, Merciful, Savior" arr. Thomas and Wyse
Carolyn Noonchester, Kirk Averitt and Garrison Holder

Announcements *Rev. Thai-Erwin*

***Closing Hymn** "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" Red UM Hymnal #**632**

***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 "Prelude in F Major" Johann Sebastian Bach
David Zhang

The congregation standing, if able.

Altar flowers today are given in thanks to the Good Shepherd Child Care staff for the wonderful care they give to our grandson from Chris, Kerri and Dottie Zessau.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Alive!

Welcome Home to Sierra Service Project Youth and Volunteers! We look forward to you sharing your Chiloquin, Oregon experiences at our August 11th worship service and the BBQ luncheon in Fellowship Hall!

Camp Firelight Vacation Bible School was a great success! Kudos to Cindy Ostry's leadership and all the volunteers who helped make it a fun time for the kids.

Thank you to the Volunteers who have committed for Family Promise Hosting August 4th through August 11th. Several of you are first timers!

On July 10th there was a lovely dedication ceremony held at USC Arcadia Hospital's Chapel Garden celebrating the installation of the **Angel Statue**. This beautiful piece will provide comfort and healing for those who have lost a child. Our own Elaine Iverson, who spearheaded the donations for the project, and several members of Crafters and UW Faith also attended. See the July 22nd newsletter for a closeup photo.

The **Adult Sunday Class on Understanding the Old Testament continues through September 8th** using **The Bible Project** video resources to inform us on how we can approach the Hebrew Scriptures with more understanding. Each lesson is self-contained. This discussion style class is led by Carolyn Iga and Kim Reynolds in the church library at 9:00 am. Please email carolyniga@gmail.com for access to the syllabus and resources.

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 the 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!

August 4th - Heritage Sunday Service and Music by the Viatores Mundi Choral Ensemble

Family Promise Hosting
August 4th – 11th

August 11th - Special Mission Focus Worship, SSP Sharing plus BBQ Hosted by SSP Youth!

August 18th and 25th - Sunday Worship Services in the Chapel

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.